

Town of Spring Lake
Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
Municipal Building
300 Ruth Street
Spring Lake, NC 28390

September 28, 2015

MINUTES

7:08 p.m.

The Spring Lake Board of Aldermen held a regular scheduled meeting in the Grady Howard Conference Room of the Spring Lake Municipal Building with Mayor Chris V. Rey presiding.

Board Members Present: Mayor Pro Tem James O'Garra
Alderman James Christian
Alderwoman Densie Lucas
Alderwoman Fredricka Sutherland

Others Present:

Tad Davis, Town Manager
Byron Blumenfeld, Director of Water Resources
John Kleinert, Director of Streets, Grounds and Sanitation
Paul Hoover, Director of Public Works
Doris Snider, Senior Center Director
Jason Williams, Asst. Fire Chief

Tony Buzzard, Town Attorney
JC Combs, Interim Recreation Director
Rosa Henegan, Human Resources Officer
Troy McDuffie, Police Chief
Claiburn Watson, Finance Director
Rhonda Webb, Town Clerk

2. Invocation

Alderman Christian gave a non-sectarian invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Rey led the meeting in the pledge of allegiance.

4. Additions or Deletions to Agenda

The Board added as Consideration of October 12th Board Meeting to the agenda as item 10d.

Action: The Board approved a motion to add item 10d, Consideration of October 12th Board Meeting to the agenda.

Motion by: Alderman Christian

Second by: Alderwoman Lucas

Vote: Unanimous

5. Approval of Agenda

The Board approved the amended agenda.

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve the agenda as amended.

Motion by: Alderman Christian

Second by: Alderwoman Lucas

Vote: Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment one.)

6. Approval of Consent Items

The Board approved the consent items:

a. Minutes of the September 14, 2015 Regular Meeting

b. Resolution of Support, NCDOT Spot Safety Project

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve the consent items: Minutes for September 14, 2015 Regular Meeting and Resolution of Support, NCDOT Spot Safety Project.

Motion by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Second by: Alderwoman Lucas

Vote: Unanimous

7. Public Forum

No one spoke at the Public Forum.

8. Public Hearing

Mayor Rey opened the Public Hearing. No one spoke for or against the Town of Spring Lake Property Annexation.

Action: The Board approved a motion to close the public hearing.

Motion by: Mayor Pro Tem O'Garra

Second by: Alderwoman Lucas

Vote: Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment two.)

9. Presentation

a. NCDOT U-4444B Update

Mr. Wise gave the Board an update on the U-4444B project. He presented a tentative timeline and stated the Randolph Bridge is complete, the Poe Avenue Bridge is expected to be completed in the winter of 2015, the traffic switch onto Randolph will occur in the spring of 2016 and the traffic switch closing Bragg Boulevard is expected to be completed in the summer of 2016. He explained how the traffic will flow once the project is complete. Alderwoman Sutherland inquired about the "borrow pit" and what will happen to that area and Mr. Wise advised it will remain a "borrow pit" (basically a large hole) but will not fill with water to cause a hazard.

(A copy of the agenda memo and Presentation is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment three.)

b. Manager's Update

Mr. Davis reported the following:

- I have had dialog with NCDOT regarding signage along the NCDOT project, landscaping that will tie into sidewalks, water options to the round-a-bout for future water feature and the future of the intersection of Butner and Bragg Boulevard. We have some options to work on that we will bring back to the Board at a future date.
- State audit is continuing as well as the annual audit.
- State budget was recently passed and we will provide the Board with an analysis of key issues that came out of the recent session that will have a direct impact on the Town's budget.
- Awaiting feedback from the Chamber on the Economic Development contract.
- Odell Road update will occur at a November Board meeting instead of October.
- Within the footprint of the Mutzberg tracts there are two other parcels, we have begun dialog with the Nature Conservancy on the acquisition of those two parcels through donation. We hope to have more information on this within the next 30 days.
- We hosted a great event this past week at Town Hall. 84 1st graders visited Town Hall last Tuesday.
- Thanked Mr. Pate for the great work he does as the Town Historian.

Alderwoman Sutherland requested that we make sure the budget gets posted on the website. She has received calls

about the budget not being posted yet. She stated that there was discussion in the past about a walking trail on the Mutzberg property and she would like to keep that in consideration. Mr. Davis advised that the Sandhills Area Land Trust had an architect do some preliminary site development that included walking trails which we expect to receive from them so we may have some plans already that addresses this request.

9. New Business

a. Ordinance (2015) 13, Town of Spring Lake Property Annexation

Ms. Webb requested the Board approve Ordinance (2015) 13 to annex the Town of Spring Lake Property known as the Mutzberg Tracts.

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve Ordinance (2015) 13.

Motion by: Mayor Pro Tem O'Garra

Second by: Alderman Christian

Vote: Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo and Ordinance (2015) 13 is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment four.)

b. Budget Amendment 2016.4, Recreation and Senior Enrichment Program Department Separation

Mr. Watson presented Budget Amendment 2016.4 and stated he is recommending the transfer of \$6,294 from the Recreation Department's budget into the Senior Enrichment Program Department's budget. Alderwoman Sutherland clarified that each Department Head will manage the budget for their respective departments.

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve Budget Amendment 2016.4.

Motion by: Mayor Pro Tem O'Garra

Second by: Alderwoman Lucas

Vote: Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo and Budget Amendment 2016.4 is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment five.)

c. Board to Ratify Community Appearance Commission Vote

Ms. Webb advised that the Community Appearance Commission voted to remove Heather Cundiff from the Appearance Commission's roster because she has never attended a meeting since being appointed to the Commission in December 2014. The Board was asked to ratify their vote.

Action: The Board approved a motion to ratify the Community Appearance Commission's vote to remove Ms. Cundiff from the Commission's roster.

Motion by: Alderman Christian

Second by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Vote: Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo and letter from the Community Appearance Commission is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment six.)

d. Board to Consider October 12, 2015 Board Meeting

Mayor Rey asked the Board to consider cancelling the October 12, 2015 Regular meeting because the meeting date conflicts with the North Carolina League of Municipalities Annual Conference.

Action: The Board approved a motion to cancel the October 12, 2015 Regular meeting.

Motion by: Alderman Christian

Second by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Vote: Unanimous

10. Adjournment.

Action: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Motion: Alderman Christian

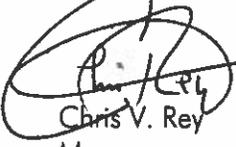
Second by: Mayor Pro Tem O'Garra

Vote: Unanimous



Rhonda D. Webb
Rhonda D. Webb, MMC, NCCMC
Town Clerk

ATTEST:


Chris V. Rey
Mayor