

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

December 16, 2011

MINUTES

5:30 p.m.

The Spring Lake Board of Aldermen held a special meeting in the Spring Lake Multipurpose Community Center with Mayor Ethel T. Clark presiding.

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

Mayor Elect Chris Rey and Alderman Elect Napoleon Hogans were present.

Others Present: Tommy Burns, Town Manager
John Jackson, Town Attorney
Allen Coats, Finance Director
Byron Blumenfeld, Water Resources Manager
Troy McDuffie, Police Chief
T.J. McLamb, Fire Chief
Ken Metcalf, Director of Recreation
Tina West, Human Resources Director
Rhonda Webb, Town Clerk

The purpose for this meeting was to approve Resolution (2011) 34, Property Purchase and conduct the Spring Lake Board of Aldermen's Organizational meeting (Swearing In Ceremony).

Approval of Agenda.

The Board approved the agenda.

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

Motion by: Mayor Pro Tem O'Garra

Second by: Alderman Higgins

Vote: Unanimous

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

Pope Field Honor Guard presented the colors, Ms. Denise Payton sang the National Anthem and Mayor Clark led the meeting in the pledge of allegiance.

Reverend Brocc Chavis, Spring Lake United Pentecostal Church, gave the invitation.

Resolution (2011) 34, Property Purchase.

The Board approved Resolution (2011) 34 authorizing the capital purchase of real estate. The property is located on Spring Avenue across from the Police Annex.

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve Resolution (2011) 34.

Motion by: Alderman Christian

Second by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Vote: Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo and Resolution (2011) 34 is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment three.)

Swearing In Ceremony.

The New Men of Faith rendered a musical selection.

Representative Lucas recognized Mayor Clark's thirty-one years of community service and presented her with the Order of the Long Leaf Pine from the Governor of the State of North Carolina in recognition of her service. Mayor Clark's husband spoke about her service to Spring Lake and the dedication she has shown and thanked the community for "giving him his wife back". Mayor Clark received a standing ovation.

Kyle Harrington, SGA President, Spring Lake Middle School, gave the Community Charge.

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

Mayor Clark administered the oath of office to the following people to serve as Aldermen for the Town of Spring Lake: James Christian, Richard Higgins, Napoleon Hogans, James O'Garra and Fredricka Sutherland.

(Copies of the oaths of office are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment five through nine.)

District Court Judge Toni King administered the oath of office to Chris Rey to serve as Mayor of the Town of Spring Lake.

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

Mayor Rey presented Mayor Clark with a town coin and plaque.

Mayor Rey opened the floor for nominations for Mayor Pro Tem. Alderman Hogans and Alderman O'Garra were nominated. The Board approved a motion to appoint Napoleon Hogans as Mayor Pro Tem.

Action: The Board approved a motion to appoint Napoleon Hogans as Mayor Pro Tem.

Motion by: Alderman Christian

Second by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Vote: 3-2

Yes

Alderman Christian

Alderman Hogans

Alderwoman Sutherland

No

Alderman Higgins

Alderman O'Garra

Mayor Rey administered the oath of office to Napoleon Hogans to serve as Mayor Pro Tem for the Town of Spring Lake.

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

Mayor Rey offered each Board Member an opportunity to make remarks and then he gave his Inaugural speech.

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

Mr. William Kellibrew recognized past mayors and special guests.

Reverend Torey Williams, Victory Chapel, gave the benediction.

Action: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned

Motion: Alderwoman Sutherland

Second by: Alderman Higgins

Vote: Unanimous

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Town Clerk



ATTEST:

Chris V. Rey

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Mayor