

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

May 7, 2009

MINUTES

2:00

p.m.

The Spring Lake Board of Aldermen held a special meeting in the Grady Howard Conference Room of the Spring Lake Municipal Building with Mayor Ethel T. Clark presiding.

Board Members Present: Mayor Pro Tem James O'Garra
Alderman Richard Higgins
Alderman Napoleon Hogans
Alderwoman Nellie McCoy
Alderwoman Fredricka Sutherland

Others Present:

Larry Faison, Town Manager
Rhonda Webb, Town Clerk

John Jackson, Town Attorney

2. Invocation.

Alderwoman Sutherland gave the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Clark led the meeting in the pledge of allegiance.

4. Closed Session.

Action: The Board went into Closed Session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3) – Attorney-Client Privilege.

Motion: Alderwoman Sutherland

Second by: Alderman Hogans

Vote: Unanimous

The Mayor called the meeting back into Open Session at 3:40 p.m.

Action: The Board approved a motion that the Town of Spring Lake continue to maintain its police department and that the Town Manager is directed to immediately obtain the services of an interim chief who is highly qualified and credible and that he immediately take control of the police department and commence a review of the personnel and an assessment of the department; that the Town Manager contact the County Manager and discuss with him the immediate level of services needed within the Town of Spring Lake and that discussions commence as to costs of those services at a level to be coordinated

between the Town Manager and the County Manager and that he report his discussions back to the Board; that the Town of Spring Lake commends the SBI and their timely

investigation and their reports to the Grand Jury that resulted in the indictments of two police officers and we hope that they can continue their investigation to ensure that any person in the trusted position within the police department be held accountable for their criminal actions.

Motion: Alderman Higgins

Second by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Vote: Unanimous

5. Adjournment.

Action: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

Motion: Alderman Hogans

Second by: Mayor Pro Tem O'Garra

Vote: Unanimous

Rhonda D. Webb, CMC
Town Clerk

ATTEST:

Ethel T. Clark
Mayor