

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

November 22, 2010

MINUTES

7:00 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 Ethel T. Clark presiding.

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

Others Present:

Leonard Barefoot, Interim Town Manager
Byron Blumenfeld, Interim W&WR Director
Troy McDuffie, Police Chief
Tina West, HR Director

John Jackson, Town Attorney
Allen Coats, Finance Director
Ken Metcalf, Recreation Director
Rhonda Webb, Town Clerk

2. Invocation.

Alderman Higgins gave the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Clark led the meeting in the pledge of allegiance.

4. Additions or Deletions to Agenda

Mayor Pro Tem O'Garra requested to add a closed session to the agenda pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3) - Attorney-Client Privilege and G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3) – Personnel but it died for lack of a second.

5. Approval of Agenda.

The Board approved the agenda.

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

Motion by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Second by: Alderman Christian

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: Minutes of November 8, 2010 Regular Meeting.

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve the consent items.

Motion by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Second by: Alderman Higgins

Vote: Unanimous

7. Public Forum

Mr. Robert Cooper of 130 Deerfield Drive spoke concerning pedestrian safety. He expressed concern about shrubry overhanging on sidewalks, sidewalks with gaps and bridges that are not properly marked.

8. Public Hearing

a. Extension of Time for the Town of Spring Lake to Issue Water and Sewer Bonds

Mr. Coats stated that the Town received approval to extend the bonds that were approved in 2003. This public hearing is required prior to the Board approving the actual Bond Orders. He explained that this is basically only opening up another three year window that we could use the bonds should we need them.

Mayor Clark opened the public hearing.

No one spoke for or against the extension of time for the Town to issue water and sewer bonds.

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

Motion by: Alderman Higgins

Second by: Mayor Pro Tem O'Garra

Vote: Unanimous

9. New Business

a. Bond Order, Extending Time to Issue General Obligation Water Bonds.

Mr. Coats requested that the Board approve Bond Order (2010) 1 for water bonds.

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve Bond Order (2010) 1.

Motion by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Second by: Alderman Higgins

Vote: Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo and Bond Order (2010) 1 is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment two.)

b. Bond Order, Extending Time to Issue General Obligation Sewer Bonds.

Mr. Coats requested that the Board approve Bond Order (2010) 2 for sewer bonds.

Action: The Board approved a motion to adopt Bond Order (2010) 2.

Motion by: Alderman Higgins

Second by: Alderwoman Hudson

Vote: Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo and Bond Order (2010) 2 is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment three.)

c. Case 10-118, RLM Development Phase II, MI(P) Site Plan Review, Zoned MI(P), Total Acreage 10.00 +/-, Located at 1027 Marvin Lucas Parkway.

Mr. Scott presented the case and advised that it is for an addition of a 20,000 SF building with necessary parking, landscaping and buffering. The site plan meets all the requirements of Spring Lake's subdivision ordinance. The existing access will be used. Spring Lake's Business and Industrial Center's declaration of covenants, conditions and restrictions must be complied with. Both County Planning staff and Spring Lake staff recommends conditional approval.

Action: The Board approved a motion to approve Case 10-118 with conditions.

Motion by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Second by: Alderman Christian

Vote: Unanimous

(A copy of the agenda memo, Cumberland County Planning and Inspections recommendation and conditions memo and site maps is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes – see attachment four.)

10. Board and Staff Comments:

Alderwoman Hudson

- Thanked everyone for coming out and I'm glad to be here.

Alderman Christian

- Thanked the Police Department and Officer Reed for helping a young lady in the Wal-Mart parking lot.
- Thanked Mr. Chris Rey for holding the event in the Library this weekend, it was very informative.
- Thanked everyone for being here.

Alderwoman Sutherland

- Glad to be here and wished everyone a happy and safe Thanksgiving.
- Thanked the employees for putting on the Senior luncheon. We had a wonderful time. Thanked fellow Board members for serving the food.

Alderman Higgins

- Just glad to be here.

Mayor Pro Tem O'Garra

- Glad to see everybody here.
- Still looking for a report on the \$170,000 and information on the Industrial Park which is six months past due now.

Mr. Barefoot

- Will be prepared to make a recommendation to the Board in two weeks. He stated that he is comfortable in conducting the search in house. Alderwoman Sutherland stated that she would like to conduct the search with the Board as a committee and use the Manager's expertise to help us. He requested that the Board look at the applicants that they have so far and be prepared to eliminate some at the next meeting. The Board will work together to identify what traits they are looking for. Alderwoman Sutherland reminded the Board members that the information they receive concerning applicants is confidential.

Action: The Board approved a motion for the Board members to work as a committee as a whole and use the Interim Manager's expertise in our Manager's search.

Motion by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Second by: Alderwoman Hudson

Vote: Unanimous

Mr. Jackson

- Of the 13 title searches, 11 will be delivered tomorrow, we are making progress.

Mayor Clark

- Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and stated in jest "remember you are what you eat"

II. Adjournment.

Action: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Motion: Alderman Higgins

Second by: Alderwoman Sutherland

Vote: Unanimous



Rhonda D. Webb

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Town Clerk

ATTEST:

Ethel T. Clark

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Mayor