

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

May 10, 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:**

Michael Uskiewicz, Town Manager  
Byron Blumenfeld, Interim W&WR Director  
Paul Hoover, Director of Inspections  
Ken Metcalf, Recreation Director  
Rhonda Webb, Town Clerk

John Jackson, Town Attorney  
Allen Coats, Finance Director  
Troy McDuffie, Police Chief  
Tom Spinks, Planning Director

**2. Invocation.**

Alderman Christian gave the invocation.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance.**

Mayor Clark led the meeting in the pledge of allegiance.

**4. Additions or Deletions to Agenda**

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

**5. Approval of Agenda.**

The Board approved the agenda.

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

**Motion by:** Alderman Higgins

**Second by:** Alderwoman Sutherland

**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 April 26, 2010 Regular Meeting.

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

**Motion by:** Alderwoman Sutherland

**Second by:** Alderwoman Hudson

**Vote:** Unanimous

## **7. Public Forum**

No one spoke at the Public Forum.

## **8. Presentation**

### **a. Spring Fling Sponsors Appreciation.**

Mayor Clark, with the assistance of Mr. Uskiewicz and Mr. Metcalf, announced the sponsors of the Spring Fling and presented those sponsors in attendance with a certificate of appreciation.

### **b. The Longmire Group.**

Mr. Reggie Holley, Mr. Aaron Mullens and Mr. Don Kent from the Longmire Group gave the Board a presentation about representing Spring Lake as a lobbyist in Washington DC (Capitol Hill) and in the General Assembly to help Spring Lake obtain federal funds that may be available for Municipal projects.

Alderwoman Sutherland would like more information about their program because she would like to see Spring Lake represented on Capitol Hill. Alderman Christian asked how they might help Spring Lake with the transportation changes that are proposed. They stated that they have done a similar project before and have experience with this type of situation.

## **9. New Business**

### **a. Case #P10-019, Courtyard by Marriott, Zero Lot Line Subdivision & C(P) Site Plan Review.**

Mr. Spinks presented Case #P10-019 and stated that it is located at the south east corner of N. 5<sup>th</sup> street and Parker Street, near Hollandale Advent Christian Church and the new Taco Bell. The developer is proposing to build a 100 room, 4-story Courtyard my Marriott hotel. The North Carolina Department of Transportation is supposed to erect a traffic light at Lillington Highway and 5<sup>th</sup> Street. He stated that the Cumberland County Joint Planning Department and Town staff recommends approval with the recommended conditions.

Alderman Higgins stated that this is going to be good for revitalizing that area and asked how many jobs the hotel will create. Mr. Tandon advised that it would be around 30-35 jobs.

**Action:** The Board approved a motion to approve Case #10-019 with the conditions recommended by the Joint Planning Board staff.

**Motion by:** Alderman Higgins

**Second by:** Mayor Pro Tem O'Garra

**Vote:** Unanimous

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

### **b. Set Date for Budget Workshop and Public Hearing.**

Mr. Uskiewicz requested that the Board set May 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. for the budget workshop and to set May 24<sup>th</sup> as the public hearing for the budget. It was clarified that the public will have an opportunity to speak at the public hearing on May 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Action:** The Board approved a motion to set May 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. for the budget workshops and May 24<sup>th</sup> as the public hearing for the budget.

**Motion by:** Mayor Pro Tem O'Garra

**Second by:** Alderman Higgins

**Vote:** Unanimous

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

#### 10. Board and Staff Comments:

##### Alderman Higgins

- Glad to see so many people here tonight.

##### Mayor Pro Tem O'Garra

- Glad to see you all here tonight.
- Thank you for the money for the Spring Fling, we appreciate it.
- Have a safe trip home.

##### Alderman Hudson

- Good evening to everyone and thank you for coming out.

##### Alderman Christian

- Glad everyone came out also. Keep coming, we appreciate it.
- Mentioned a stray dog at his house if someone is looking for a pet.

##### Alderman Sutherland

- Thanked everyone for coming out.
- Thanked the Town Manager for looking into her request about school lights and sidewalks.

#### 11. Adjournment.

**Action:** There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

**Motion:** Alderman Sutherland

**Second by:** Mayor Pro Tem O'Garra

**Vote:** Unanimous



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

ATTEST:

*Ethel T. Clark*

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Mayor