Town of Haw River Town Council Meeting Monday, October 3, 2016

The Town Council of the Town of Haw River held its Town Council Meeting on Monday, **October 3**, 2016 in the Haw River Municipal Building at 7:00pm.

Council Members Present: Buddy Boggs, Jeff Fogleman, Kelly Allen, and Steve Lineberry

Council Members Absent: Lee Lovette

Also Present: Manager Jeff Earp, Clerk Melanie Eveker, Attorney Rob Jennings

Mayor Boggs called the meeting to order and gave the invocation at 7:00 pm.

Consent Agenda

7:01 pm

The Council considered approval of minutes from the September 12, 2016 regular meeting and Budget Amendment #2017-1.

Councilmember Allen made note of a change in the announcements section of the minutes. Councilmember Allen then made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented with the noted change to the September 12, 2016 minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

New Business

7:02 pm

The Town Council considered the acceptance of additional funding for the Main Street sidewalk project.

Manager Earp presented the Council with the results of a progress meeting with Donnie Huffines with the NCDOT. Mr. Huffines confirmed the extra funds from Senator Gunn in the amount of \$75,000 for the Main Street Sidewalk Project. Mr. Huffines informed Manager Earp that the Town needs to accept the funds from Senator Gunn as well as the original \$75,000 awarded from NCDOT last year. Council will need to amend the municipal agreement with NCDOT to reflect the funding changes. Manager Earp presented the Council with an amended supplemental funding agreement with the NCDOT for the full funding amount of

\$150,000. Manager Earp stated that there are approximately \$50,000 left to be used on this project and the Town is working with NCDOT to appropriately expand this project in the Lang Street area.

Following discussion, Councilmember Allen made a motion to approve the amended Supplemental Funding Agreement with NCDOT accepting funding that totals \$150,000 for the Main Street Sidewalk Project. Motion carried 4-0.

7:06 pm

The Town Council considered a request from Haw River Business Center owners requesting relief or adjustment to their water/sewer bill.

Manager Earp presented the council with a request from the Haw River Business Center for price or usage adjustment on their water bill. HRBC recently had some repair/maintenance work done to their fire suppression system. During that repair, a sub-contractor inadvertently over filled the water tank resulting in a water bill for 694,000 gallons of water/sewer. HRBC has not received a regular sewer adjustment in the last 12 months; however the business owners have asked the Council to consider a rate change to the municipal rate for the water that was used. This type of adjustment cannot be automatically given and would require council approval.

Following discussion, Councilmember Lineberry made a motion to grant the usual sewer adjustment on this bill and to deny the municipal rate for water usage. Motion carried 3-1 with Councilmember Fogleman dissenting.

7:16 pm

The Town Council reviewed and considered the reappointment of Philip Morgan and Herman Johnson to the Planning and Zoning Board for a three year term.

Manager Earp informed the Council that in October, the term of Planning and Zoning Board ETJ members Philip Morgan and Herman Johnson will expire. He asked the Council to consider renewing their 3 year terms and noted that no new applications for membership to this Board as ETJ representatives have been received. Manager Earp explained that as members of the Board serving as ETJ residents, these appointments will also have to be approved by the Alamance County Commissioners. Councilmember Allen inquired about the possibility of asking the newspaper to advertise for these appointments free of charge.

Following discussion, Councilmember Lineberry made a motion to recommend to the Alamance County Commissioners the reappointment of Mr. Morgan and Mr. Johnson as ETJ representative on the Planning and Zoning Board for three year terms. Motion carried 4-0.

7:19 pm

Manager's Update

- Financial Update
- The recent torrential rain storm produced 7 ½ inches of rain in 6 hours. The Town's pump stations did not lose power. Some alarms on the stations did go off, but no spills occurred.
- Hurricane Matthew is coming and the Town is currently working to prepare for the worst case scenario while hoping for the best.
- The Town's 2015 Local Water Supply plan has been accepted by NCDEQ.
- The slip lining project has started and camera viewing of the lines is in progress.
- The NCDEQ for water and sewer line assessment and inventory grant applications have been submitted.
- The PARTF Grant project at the park has been completed and staff is in the process of closing out that grant.
- The recent recycling grant project has been completed and staff is working on closing out that grant.
- HRPD is in the beginning stages of grant application with the Governor's Crime Commission for approximately \$24,000 for new radios.
- The Haw River Municipal Park was broken into and robbed on the night of the rain storm. Staff is working with insurance adjustors and HRPD is working to apprehend the perpetrators of the crime.

Announcements

- Councilmember Allen thanked the HRFD for their professional and prompt response to a medical call at her residence; she also thanked HRFD for removing a large tree limb that had fallen. Councilmember Allen noted that the area around the intersection of Stone St. and Trollingwood Road has been clean up and is looking very nice. Manager Earp then noted that he is working NCDOT to clean up the underpass area near the old location of Payne Oil Company.
- Councilmember Lineberry commented on his pleasure with the new Red Slide Park sign. He also spoke of speed limit changes recently implemented by the NCDOT and passed along thanks and appreciation

7:35 pm Councilmember Fogleman made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0.	
 Buddy E. Boggs, Mayor	Melanie R. Eveker, Clerk

Conceal Carry class.

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