

# Town of Haw River Town Council Meeting Minutes Monday, March 7, 2022

The Haw River Town Council held its regular meeting on Monday, March 7, 2022, in the Haw River Municipal Building at 6:00 pm.

Council Members Present: Mayor Kelly Allen, Mayor Pro-Tem Lee Lovette, Steve Lineberry, Patty Wilson, and Shawn Riggan.

Members Absent: None

Other Members Present: Town Manager Sean Tencer, Town Clerk Lesley Gonzalez, Fire Chief Tyler Franklin, Police Chief Toby Harrison, Public Works Director Robert Brewer, Town Attorney Charlie Davis & Town Attorney Jacob Wright

Mayor Allen called the meeting to order and gave the invocation at 6:00 pm.

# **Consent Agenda:**

1. Approval of Minutes from February 7, 2022, regular meeting.

Council Member Lineberry made a motion to approve the minutes from the Consent Agenda. Council Member Wilson seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0

Town Manger Tencer suggested for the Town Council members to start the Public Hearings meetings differently than previously. He suggested that an agenda item should not be listed twice on the agenda for New Business and Public Hearing. These can be combined under the title Public Hearing. The Town Council can listen to an introduction, open the public hearing, hear public comments, close the public hearing, and then vote all under the heading of Public Hearing.

## **Public Hearing:**

A public hearing was scheduled to consider a rezoning request and consistency statement from Delta Contracting to rezone two parcels of property within the town limits of Haw River as identified by Parcel ID# 152985 and #152989 or GPIN# 8894783506 and #8894787591 from R-12 (Single-Family Zoning District) and B-2 (General Business Zoning District) to I-2 (Heavy Industrial). The two properties are approximately 5.3 (+/-) total acres off Trollingwood Road. (Planning Board approved the rezoning at its February 21, 2022, regular meeting).

Mr. Eric Long from Delta Contracting Inc. explained that the property was bought several years ago, and the former property owner had lifetime rights until death. The property owner did pass, and Delta Contracting tore down the existing house. Delta Contracting did recombine the lot with the adjacent lot. Now, they are trying to rezone the property to match the existing zoning next door in which the main building is located on.

Mayor Allen asked for a motion to open the public hearing.

Council Member Wilson motion to open public hearings. Council Member Riggan seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0

Public Hearing opened at 6:07 pm.

No one signed up to speak on behalf of the agenda item.

Mayor Allen asked for a motion to close the public hearing.

Council Member Lineberry made a motion close the public hearing. Council Member Lovette seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0

Public Hearing closes 6:08 pm

Council Member Lovette made a motion to rezone the two parcels of property within the town limits of Haw River as identified by Parcel ID# 152985 and #152989 or GPIN# 8894783506 and #8894787591 from R-12 (Single-Family Zoning District) and B-2 (General Business Zoning District) to I-2 (Heavy Industrial.

Council Member Riggan seconded the motion. Council Member Lineberry read the consistency statement. He stated that the rezoning is consistent with the Town's Comprehensive Land Use Plan and the request is reasonable in nature.

Motion carried 5-0

### **Public Comments:**

- The public is allowed to address the Town Council on any non-agenda item at this time.
- Be sure to sign in, stand and state your name and address for the minutes.
- Please limit comments to 3 minutes or less.

No one signed up for public comments.

### **New Business:**

Town staff is requesting for Town Council to review three informal bids on installing a new roof on the Civic Center due to water damage. The funds will come out of the restricted funds for the Civic Center. The lowest bid was from *All about Roofing* at \$17,950.00 The fund's current balance is \$59,317.10.

Council Member Riggan made a motion to award the bid to *All About Roofing Company* to replace the roof on Haw River Civic Center. Council Member Lovette seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0

# Town Manager's Report:

- Brooks Networking (IT for the Town) will be evaluating our computer network for the town and will come up with a list of improvements for the network. Improving the town's network does qualify for ARPA funding. On-going
- 2. The Town has received \$400,000+/- of the \$800,000+/- in ARPA Federal Money. The Town sent out an RFQ for engineering services, so the Hanover Road and radio-read water meters can get underway. Funds spent on engineering and consulting can be paid out of the ARPA funds, since we sent out an RFQ for engineering services. AWCK is working on a sewer agreement for town council to review possibly at the March Town Council meeting). **On-going**
- 3. Still waiting to receive funding (\$69,000) from Alamance County (via Senator Amy Galey) for the new fire command vehicle that will be replacing the Chevrolet Tahoe. **On-going**
- 4. Haw River Fire Department is requesting to convert the fire department storage room at the civic center into a weight/exercise room for town employees. Chief Franklin wants to apply for a grant with the NCLM for possible room renovation and exercise equipment. Fire Department will be establishing guidelines and rules for the exercise room. Any thoughts from town council? On-going

- 5. The Haw River Police Department is applying for two grants (non-matching) from the Governor's Crime Commission. One grant is for \$24,000 to purchase a new police K-9 and associated equipment. The other grant is for \$15,000 (non-matching) to help with possible accreditation of the police department through training and standards in Raleigh. **On-going**
- 6. For future reference, town staff received three quotes on a new backhoe to be replaced using ARPA funds. John Deere \$99,481.00, New Holland \$101,631.81, CAT \$128,351.40.

### **Announcements:**

- ➤ Town Manager Tencer said that the US Postal Service mentioned that our mailing card stock was incorrect for their machine at their distribution plant. However, our new accounting system might use a different card stock along with electronic billing.
- Council Member Lovette gave accolades to both the Parks and Recreation Department and the Public Works Department on recently repairing the walking track at Jeffrey Earp Municipal Park.

Mayor Allen asked for a motion to adjourn. Council Member Lineberry made the motion to adjourn. Council Member Riggan seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0

Council Adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Kelly Allen, Mayor