

Town of Fairview Regular Meeting September 14, 2015

The following Council members were present: Mayor Elizabeth Long, John Biggers, Jerry Clontz, Bradley Purser, and Phil Thomas.

Others present: Joe McCollum, Town Attorney; Darrell Baucom, Financial Officer, Ed Humphries, Land Use Administrator / Town Clerk and Teresa Gregorius, Deputy Clerk

Agenda Changes

None

Approval of Agenda

Phil Thomas made a motion to approve the agenda. Bradley Purser seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Thomas voted yes (4-0).

Public Comments/ Presentations

Douglas Buchanan spoke regarding discharging firearms as a safety concern and nuisance in his neighborhood.

Judy Hughey spoke regarding discharging firearms in her Heritage View neighborhood

Brian Austin, President of Board of Directors, Fairview Fire Department updated the Council regarding the fire truck the town has purchased. The cab and chassis has been built and delivered August 31st to a fire apparatus company in Iowa. The projected truck delivery date to the fire department is January.

Reports

- a) Darrell Baucom gave the financial report.
- b) Ed Humphries gave the Land Use Report.

Phil Thomas questioned the August 25th entry as being marked paid and not the usual \$100 fee amount for a compliance permit. Mr. Humphries stated that William Griffin had paid his compliance fee previously, at the same time he paid for his building permit.

c) Jerry Clontz gave the Park and Recreation report.

Mr. Clontz stated that the erosion control permit has been resubmitted. The design for the turn lane that the state is requiring has not been completed. The pond is complete. The Park Committee is currently working on some form of a memorial program for residents that would like to give a tree, bench, picnic table, etc. in memory of loved ones. The Park Committee has been working on the park rules and regulations and will be submitting them to the Council in the near future.

Mr. Clontz stated that the park committee is discussing having a groundbreaking ceremony. Matt Whitlow, PARTF Representative, has furnished the committee with guidelines for a ceremony. Mr. Clontz asked the Council if they wanted to be in charge of planning the groundbreaking or have the Park Committee be in charge of the planning. Council members suggested that the Park Committee be in charge of the planning and come back to the Council in October with the budget for the ceremony.

Phil Thomas asked if the town has to pay for the turn lane that the state is requiring and what the cost will be. Mr. Clontz stated that he hopes the state will pay at least part of the cost but does not know what the final cost will be at this time.

d) John Biggers gave the CRTPO report.

The committee approved the toll lanes. Ten towns voted no, Fairview being one.

e) Tony Helms gave the Monroe/Union County Economic Development Committee report.

The August meeting was a dinner meeting to celebrate the best year of capital investment in the history of Monroe and Union County. For the 17th consecutive year Union County has the lowest unemployment rate in the Charlotte region. The Monroe town council has approved a new 108,000 square foot building to be built on Airport Road.

Items of Business

A. Conduct Public Hearing to (1) Amend Section 60 B1 & D Authorizing Use, Occupancy, or Sale Before Completion of Development Permit # TC 15-040 and (2) Repeal and Amend Section 326 Protest Petitions as per GS § 160A-385 (a) Permit # TC 15-041.

Ed Humphries stated that after discussions with Councilman Phil Thomas and attorney Joe McCollum he is withdrawing Amendment #1, TC 15-040 for the Planning Board to review and reword and be brought back before the Council at a later date. This public hearing will be for TC 15-041 only.

Mayor Long to open Public Hearing

Public Comments

None

Mayor Long closed the Public Hearing

B. Decision on Amendment #1 -- TC 15-040

Delay decision on TC 15-040 until November meeting.

C. Decision on Amendment #2 -- TC 15-041

Jerry Clontz made a motion to approve the amendment to include the statement below. Phil Thomas seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Thomas voted yes (4-0).

"The proposed zoning amendment under consideration is found to be reasonable and consistent with the recommendations of the Town's adopted comprehensive plan, the Town of Fairview Land Use Plan(Revised August 11, 2014), and the Town of Fairview Land Use Ordinance (effective July 1, 2005)"

D. Appoint 3 members and 1 alternate to Planning and Zoning Board

Council discussed applications and stated their recommendations.

Bradley Purser made a motion to appoint Jesse Hargett, Nancy Randall and Tony Helms as regular members and Greg Morgan as alternate to the Planning and Zoning Board for three year terms to expire September 2018. Phil Thomas seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Thomas voted yes (4-0).

E. Renew Order granting Temporary Permit # TP 14-037

John Biggers made a motion to renew the Temporary Permit # TP 14-037 to expire March 2016 in the name of Gregory Morgan, 6508 Morgan's Cove Road, Monroe, NC 28110. Phil Thomas seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Thomas voted yes (4-0).

F. Minutes

Jerry Clontz questioned Items of Business section E. After discussion it was suggested that the audio minutes be reviewed and delay approval of the minutes until the October meeting.

Council Comments

Phil Thomas requested that Ed Humphries check into securing someone to conduct a training session for the Planning Board members. It has been over ten years since any formal training has been done.

Jerry Clontz stated that he has contacted Garcia Forest Service that sprays the park regarding respraying an area where the weeds have not died. They will be coming back out to re-spray.

Jerry Clontz stated the Council may want to look into the firearm discharge situation and see what ordinance could possibly be put in place so that the sheriff department would have an ordinance to enforce.

Bradley Purser suggested a possible ordinance specific to subdivisions but survey each subdivision in the town to get the residents of the subdivisions feedback regarding a firearms ordinance.

Attorney Joe McCollum offered to look into ordinances that would prohibit gunfire in residential areas and bring back information to the Council.

Jerry Clontz made a motion to adjourn. Bradley Purser seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Thomas voted yes (4-0).

Respectfully submitted,		
Teresa Gregorius	Elizabeth Long	
Deputy Clerk	Mayor	

Approved this 12th day of October, 2015