

Town of Fairview Regular Meeting June 11, 2018

The following Council members were present: Mayor Phil Thomas, John Biggers, Jerry Clontz, Patricia Kindley, and Gary Wilfong.

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

Agenda Changes

Mayor Thomas stated that he would like to add Update of Hwy. 218 as Item 6 in Items of Business.

Approval of Agenda

Jerry Clontz made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Patricia Kindley seconded the motion. Council members Biggers, Clontz, Kindley and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Public Comments

The following people spoke regarding their appreciation of the park and being in favor of purchasing additional land for the park: B.B. Haigler, Brad Crotts, Kelly Thomas, Wendy Nielsen and Theresa Donaldson

Consent Agenda

- a) Accept Financial and Tax Reports as Information
- b) Accept Land Use Report as Information
- c) CRTPO No Report
- d) Park & Rec June Draft Minutes --- Minutes Not Finalized
- e) Planning Board May Draft Minutes --- No May Meeting
- f) Approve Council Regular Minutes for May 14, 2018

Jerry Clontz made a motion to approve the consent agenda. John Biggers seconded the motion. Council members Biggers, Clontz, Kindley and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Items of Business

Item 1: Public Hearing on proposed 2018-2019 Town Budget

Darrell Baucom presented the 2018-19 budget.

Mayor Thomas opened the Public Hearing

No Public Comments

Mayor Thomas closed the Public Hearing

Item 2: Discuss/Adopt 2018-2019 Budget Ordinance for fiscal year

Jerry Clontz made a motion to approve the 2018-2019 budget. Gary Wilfong seconded the motion. Council members Biggers, Clontz, Kindley and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Item 3: Discuss/Approve budget amendments for the 2017-2018 Budget

John Biggers made a motion to approve the budget amendments for the 2017-2018 budget. Patricia Kindley seconded the motion. Council members Biggers, Clontz, Kindley and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Item 4: Discuss purchase of Haigler property

Ed Humphries updated the Council on the offer to the Haiglers and counter offer from the Haiglers. The Council discussed various offer options.

Jerry Clontz made a motion to offer the Haiglers \$650,000 00 at 3.9% for 15 years with a \$50,000.00 non-refundable down payment for the 65 acres that includes the house and close within a year. Gary Wilfong seconded the motion. Council members Biggers, Clontz, Kindley and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Item 5: Discuss purchasing picnic tables for wooded areas of the park

Lisa Thomas, Chairman of the Park-Rec & Event Committee, reported that the Committee discussed and decided at the June 7th meeting that electricity/lighting at/around the pond is a priority. She asked the Council to consider adding the \$2,000.00 left over in the festival budget from this year to monies requested in the near future from the Committee for electricity/lighting. Council asked Ms. Thomas to obtain quotes for electricity/lighting and bring back to a future meeting. Also the Council asked Ms. Thomas to get updated quotes for benches, trees, swings and picnic tables so that the town can promote these items.

Item 6: Update on Hwy 218

After receiving questions regarding Hwy 218, Mayor Thomas reiterated that he met on May 2nd with two Union County Sheriff Captains, one Highway Patrol First Sergeant, three NCDOT representatives (including the regional traffic engineer) and one member of the Fairview Fire & Rescue. Information received at, as well as, after this meeting is as follows:

- There has been saturation enforcement (by the Highway Patrol, Union County Sheriff's Department, and other participating law enforcement agencies) on Hwy 218. In the month of April, Union County deputies made 61 stops on Hwy 218. In May, the deputies made 236 stops. Deputies are on Hwy 218 every day making stops.
- There is also a "Road Safety Audit" being done on the eastern end of Hwy 218. NCDOT is doing an in-house audit from Mint Hill to Hwy 205. Five year crash data is being analyzed to see what additional actions can be taken.
- Current planned and funded improvements include 3 roundabouts that currently are being designed.
 - → Hwy 218 and Hwy 205: \$1,100,000, construction in Fall 2019
 - Hwy 218 and Hwy 200: \$1,020,000, construction in Summer 2020
 - ▶ Hwy 218 and Mill Grove: \$1,000,000, construction in Summer 2019
- Hwy 218 and Ashley Glen Drive: Install left turn lane \$550,000, submitted for funding.
- Hwy 218 and Sikes Mill Road: Roundabout plans are to submit for funding at the next NCDOT turn-in in August.
- Here are some of the crash statistics over the past 5 years:
 - Almost 20% occurred on wet roads
 - Alcohol was involved in 4%
 - Striking an animal accounted for 12%
 - Lane departure accounted for 42%
 - Drivers that were not wearing a seat belt accounted for 4%
 - ➢ Speed was involved in 10%
 - Accidents involving large trucks or tractor trailers accounted for 10%
- The highest number of crashes occurred in October; next highest November; next highest December, then March, then July then June.
- The highest number of crashes occurred on Monday, next highest Thursday, then Friday, then Tuesday, then Wednesday, then Saturday, then Sunday.

Council Comments

Patricia Kindley expressed she was happy to be a part of the decision tonight regarding purchasing additional park property and feels it is a very fiscally responsible plan.

Jerry Clontz stated that there had been a water leak at the park in the restroom area that required 3 days to fix. Mr. Clontz stated that a single picnic table would be a nice addition at the park as well as possibly a few bench swings around the pond. Mr. Clontz asked Mr. Humphries to check on the power usage for the town hall building after receiving a \$266.00 power bill since the school vacated the property and the town is now paying the bill.

Mayor Thomas reminded Council that at the July meeting they would be asked to give an update on the goals assigned to them at the February Retreat.

Mayor Thomas reported he received a call last week from a lady in Wesley Chapel asking the town to send a letter to not support local laws to de-annex property from towns. This request is in response to Senator Tommy Tucker filing a local law to de-annex 82 acres in Wesley Chapel. Council members were not in favor of sending a letter.

Jerry Clontz made a motion to adjourn. John Biggers seconded the motion. Council members Biggers, Clontz, Kindley and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Gregorius Town Clerk Phil Thomas Mayor

Approved this 9th day of July, 2018