



**Town of Fairview
Regular Meeting
November 13, 2017**

The following Council members were present: Mayor Phil Thomas, John Biggers, Jerry Clontz, Bradley Purser, 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 added appointing a board delegate to the CRTPO as Item #5 in Items of Business.

Approval of Agenda

Bradley Purser made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. John Biggers seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Public Comments

None

Presentation

Brian Matthews, Union County Executive Director Growth Management updated the Council on several projects including Monroe Expressway, Lake Tillery pipeline/treatment plant and new library.

Consent Agenda

- a) Accept Financial and Tax Reports as Information
- b) Accept Land Use Report as Information
- c) Accept CRTPO Report as Information

- d) Accept Monroe/Union County Economic Development Committee Report as Information
- e) Approve Council Regular Minutes for October 9, 2017

Jerry Clontz made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Gary Wilfong seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Items of Business

Item 1: Approve Amendment to Noise Ordinance

Ed Humphries stated that upon review of our ordinance by the Sheriff's office attorney, the attorney suggested a minor change in Section 4:

- (1) Violations (except for Section 2) shall constitute a Class 3 misdemeanor pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 14-4(a), punishable by a fine of up to \$500.00 and imprisonment in the discretion of the court;
- (2) If any person shall violate the provisions regulating the operation or parking of vehicles, that person shall be responsible for an infraction and shall be required to pay a penalty of not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00) pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 14-4(b).

The Council discussed the proposed change. Gary Wilfong made a motion to approve the amendment to the Noise Ordinance as presented. John Biggers seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Item 2: Request from Congressman Pittenger Concerning Turning US 74 into an Interstate between Charlotte and Wilmington

Mayor Thomas presented an email from Congressman Pittenger requesting the Town of Fairview's support for turning US 74 into an interstate between Charlotte and Wilmington. The Council discussed the request. Bradley Purser made a motion to send a letter to Congressman Pittenger in favor of turning US 74 into an interstate between Charlotte and Wilmington. John Bigger seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Item 3: Festival Update

Gary Wilfong reported that at the last Festival Committee meeting the committee discussed changes needed for the next Fall Festival and suggested that the town have a Winter Festival. The Winter Festival would include a tree lighting, visit from Santa, hot chocolate/cookies, etc. and last 5-7 PM. There is enough money left over from the Fall Festival budget to fund the Winter Festival. Mr. Wilfong asked the Council if they would like to continue having the Fall Festival each year and also add a Winter Festival. The Council discussed. Jerry Clontz made a motion to make the Fall Festival and Winter Festival annual events. John Biggers seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Item 4: Park Update

Jerry Clontz stated that the Park & Rec Committee wants to pursue purchasing/installing a permanent arch as an entryway to the park. He reported that a storage building has been purchased but has not been put together yet.

It has been brought to Mr. Clontz's attention that the bridge at the pond is slick when it is cold and it has rained or frosted. He will check on products that will take care of it. Also he asked the Council's opinion regarding opening/closing the park during bad weather. Council decided that closing the park because of weather should be at Mr. Clontz's discretion.

Lights have been ordered and will be installed underneath the picnic shelter.

The Park & Rec Committee have decided to leave the park open during the winter until 8:00 PM. When the shelter lights have been installed, the new hours will be posted.

The Park & Rec Committee is currently discussing having an anniversary celebration in the spring.

Item 5: Appoint Delegate to the CRTPO

Mayor Thomas stated that John Biggers has graciously agreed to continue to serve as a delegate to the CRTPO and the Council needs to officially appoint him. Bradley Purser made a motion to appoint John Biggers as the delegate to the CRTPO representing Fairview for 2018. Gary Wilfong seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Council Comments

Gary Wilfong welcomed Patricia Kindley to the Council following her win in the November election.

Mayor Thomas reported that he and Mr. Humphries met with the Union County Public Schools representatives last month regarding continuing to use the town hall meeting room. UCPS is working on a 5 year lease agreement with an extension to present to the Council.

Mayor Thomas stated that he had spoken with Detective Sergeant Brian Keziah and Sheriff Cathey regarding an incident at the park that was reported on Facebook. The Sheriff's office will increase patrolling at the park.

Ed Humphries reported that there are 3 openings on the Planning Board and he would appreciate any recommendations from the Council. Mr. Humphries informed the Council that the town uses the State holiday schedule and this year Tuesday, December 26 would be a holiday. He would like to recommend the hourly paid staff be paid 8 hours for December 26.

Bradley Purser made a motion to go into closed session to include the following persons: Patricia Kindley, Darrell Baucom, Joe McCollum, Ed Humphries, Teresa Gregorius and Council. Jerry Clontz seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Closed Session

Mayor Thomas stated that the regular meeting was now back in session.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Gregorius
Town Clerk

Phil Thomas
Mayor

Approved this 11th day of December, 2017