



Minutes

Aug. 24, 2015 Meeting

Board Members Present: Mayor Bobbie Jones, Mayor Pro Tem Ann Howell, Commissioner Gwen Knight, Commissioner JoeRoam Myrick, Commissioner Pam Ransome

Town Staff Present: Town Manager Byron Ellis, Town Attorney Benn Brewington, Town Clerk Calvin Adkins

- I. Board of Commissioners Call to Order** 7 p.m. by Mayor Bobbie Jones
- II. Invocation** Commissioner Myrick
- III. Pledge of Allegiance** ALL
- IV. Announcements** Mayor Jones
- V. Public Comments**

Calvin Sherrod: Said the board gave the Town Manager an order to buy a backhoe. He said when the Board gives the Town Manager an order, the town manager "suppose to carry it out." He also requested lights in Southern Terrace.

Rev. Ashley Hines:

James Ed Bridgers: Asked for speed bumps on Otis Avenue again. He said he talked to 98 percent of the citizens who are also for the speed bumps. He also suggested amending the budget to bring back the police department.

Ann Adams: Said she is excited about the town involvement in recycling. She also reported speeding on Greenwood Blvd.

- VI. Adjustments to Agenda:** None
- VII. Consent Agenda:** Commissioner Myrick made a motion to approve the Aug. 24 consent agenda; Commissioner Brown second; motion passed (4-0)

VIII. Old Business – Planning Board Recommendation to permit manufactured doublewide homes in R-1 District: NO ACTION TAKEN

IX. Public Hearing: Commissioner Knight made a motion to hold a public hearing on Sept. 28 during the town's regularly scheduled monthly meeting, to allow comments concerning manufactured homes in an R-1 District; Commissioner Brown second; motion passed (4-0)

X. New Business

- A. **Planning Board Recommendation to allow manufactured homes in R-1 Districts.** Billy Trevathan met with the Planning Board during its July meeting and asked the board to consider recommending to the Town Board to allow him to place a doublewide manufactured home on his property in the town's ETJ. A singlewide manufactured home is currently on a lot adjacent to the proposed lot. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN due to the Public Hearing scheduled for Sept. 28 concerning manufactured homes in R-1 Districts.
- B. **Rename Mutual Park:** Mayor Jones suggested the board develop an ordinance to rename parks, buildings and streets that will allow public input. NO ACTION TAKEN
- C. **Heritage Park Mural:** Commissioner Howell made a motion to have town staff relocate the Mural from Heritage Park; Commissioner Knight second; motion passed (4-0). Commissioner Howell stated that she would like the Board to have input in the Mural's next location.
- D. **Museum Roof Repair (\$29,788):** Commissioner Howell asked to look into the Department of Transportation sharing the expense of repairing the roof. Commissioner Knight asked the board to table the issue because of others needs in town such as streets lights and speed bumps. Town Manager Byron Ellis said the repairs are necessary before winter arrives. Commissioner Howell made a motion to make necessary repairs at the museum; approve budget amendment No. 1 authorizing the transfer of \$12,000 from the museum fund to the general fund. Commissioner Knight second; motion passed (4-0).
- E. **Computer for Senior Center:** The Senior Center is using a computer that is 10 years old. Commissioner Myrick made a motion to authorize the purchase of a new computer and Office 2013. Commissioner Ransome second; Motion passed (4-0).

XI. Town Manager Report

Report available in Minutes Book 2015-2016; Manager Report Aug. 24, 2015

XII. Town Attorney Report:

No Report

XIII. Law Enforcement Report:

Captain Allen read the number of calls that were reported by the Edgecombe County Sheriff Department (205 calls from July 1-July 31). Commissioner Knight said she would like to see more deputies patrolling the town. Commissioners Howell and Myrick expressed interest in providing a security camera system throughout the town.

XIV. Princeville Volunteer Fire Department Report:

Chief James Powell reported the fire department responded to 24 calls; 40 percent were fire related.

XV. Senior Center Report:

Senior Center Director Linda Worsley said the center is doing well and she is pleased with the turnout.

XVI. General Concerns of the Board: Commissioner Howell asked that Public Works cut the grass at Powell Park; Commissioner Knight reported a light out on the side of the town hall building.

Commissioner Knight made a motion to adjourn; Myrick second; motion passed (4-0)
Adjourned 8:10 p.m.

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Bobbie D. Jones
Mayor

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Calvin Adkins
Town Clerk