

# Minutes of City of Creedmoor BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# Regular Meeting

October 22, 2013 7:00 p.m.

#### **PRESENT**

Mayor Darryl D. Moss, Mayor Pro-Tem Otha Piper, Jr., Commissioner John Stallings, Commissioner Herman Wilkerson, Commissioner Jimmy Minor and Commissioner Larry Robinson. Also present were Mr. Tom Mercer, City Manager; and Robin Reif, City Clerk

#### ABSENT

Tom Currin, City Attorney.

#### INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Moss called the meeting to order and offered the invocation. Commissioner Minor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Stallings. Motion received a unanimous vote

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Piper to approve the September 24, 2013 Board of Commissioner's Regular Meeting Minutes and October 10, 2013 Continuation and October 14, 2013 Board of Commissioner's Work Session Minutes; seconded by Commissioner Minor. Motion received a unanimous vote.

#### **VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION**

Ms. Brower's South Granville High School Art Students

Mayor Moss read the names of the students who volunteered as face painters during the recent Music Festival and thanked them for their service. Selena Millsaps was present to accept her certificate of appreciation as one of the students who volunteered. Mayor Moss presented the remaining certificates to the students' teacher, Ms. Brower for her to deliver to the remaining students.

## **EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION**

Sergeant Jake May – Five Year Service Recognition Sergeant May could not be present.

## RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

Recognition of Mayor Darryl D. Moss by North Carolina Environmental Management Commission

Commissioner Jimmy Minor, Chairman of the EENR Committee, had City Clerk Robin Reif read the proclamation given to Mayor Moss by the North Carolina Environmental Management Commission. Commissioner Minor stated that Mayor Moss' position on the NC EMC board was an impressive and honorable one.

Mayor Moss reminisced on the day he was initiated to the board which was the same day Creedmoor received a fine for a sewer spill and the day the Jordan Lake Rules were passed.

**PROCLAMATION 2013-P-06**South Granville High School "Kick Cancer" Pink Football Game Mayor Darryl D. Moss had City Clerk Robin Reif read the proclamation, noting that he would be delivering the signed proclamation at the football game.

# REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

## CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Mercer reported on the following:

- USDA Water/Sewer Projects
  - Winding down.
  - The lagoon continues to be drained and should be fully pumped out within the next two weeks. The drying process is expected to take time. Breaching of the dam and fill-in is to follow. Springtime is the expected completion date for this portion of the project.
- CMAO
  - DOT concurred with the City's selection of AMT as the design firm. The City is collaborating to prepare a contract with final edits to bring before the board.
  - NC15 this project is waiting for the City Attorney's office to draw up paperwork for different jurisdictions.

City Manager Tom Mercer addressed misinformation being reported on the SGWASA merger being negotiated. Manager Mercer used an analogy of someone living in a community and wanting to purchase a car with a book value of 10K. This person already had 5K and was being given the remaining 5K by his/her uncle to purchase the vehicle The purchaser is approached by someone with a 5K offer to buy the vehicle even though the value is 10K. The proposed merger is the same value proposition when negotiating the Creedmoor system.

Manager Mercer added that on September 24<sup>th</sup> the Board of Commissioners passed a resolution for sale of the system to SGWASA. 30 days later the City has still not received a satisfactory response. SGWASA plans to meet with their negotiating committee leaving Creedmoor waiting on the very people who were urging Creedmoor's decision. Creedmoor is receiving no communication back from SGWASA. In closing, Manager Mercer promised to keep all informed on the progress of negotiations if any is made.

Mayor Moss asked if the board would be open to him calling for a special meeting at the earliest possible time after new information is finally received.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Audit presentation by Winston, Williams Creech and Evans.

Ms. Evans of Winston, Williams, Creech and Evans provided a power point presentation on the results of the audit performed by her firm.

City Manager Tom Mercer expanded on the 2012 expenditure of payoff of the City Hall loan adding that the City continues to have very healthy numbers. In addition, Manager Mercer reported that the LGC has very stringent requirements on meeting or exceeding the population group average which Creedmoor has exceeded since 2010.

Commissioner Robinson remarked that in 2006 is was almost May by the time the audit was completed by the City. Commissioner Robinson thanked Finance Director, Ren Wiles for having recent audits completed so timely which helps the board perform its duties.

# Learning Services - Recovery Road Application for Zoning Map Amendment

Planning, Zoning and Subdivision Administrator Mike Frangos presented Resolution 2013-R-19: Initial Scheduling for ZMA-2013-03: *Learning Services – Recovery Road* and recognized receipt of a completed application for this rezoning request. The request is to rezone 2.02 acres of a 5.22 acre parcel deemed lot 1. If the resolution is adopted a public hearing will be set for November 26, 2013 before the Board of Commissioners and notification of hearing will be sent to adjacent land owners as well as a sign posting on the property itself. The application is to be put before the City's Planning Board to provide their recommendation to the Board of Commissioners.

Moved by Commissioner Stallings to adopt Resolution 2013-R-19: Initial Scheduling for ZMA2-13-03: *Learning Services – Recovery Road* and schedule a Public Hearing for Tuesday, November 26, 2013; seconded by Commissioner Piper. Motion received a unanimous vote.

#### MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Moss reported that Walgreen's now has walls.

Mayor Moss reported on a meeting he attended at the State's Environmental Review Committee. The Mayor reported he is considering a response to Mr. Tom Reader's presentation given at the meeting as the entire story of the City's proposed wastewater treatment plant / SGWASA merger was not stated. The Mayor urged caution as new legislation could task Creedmoor with more stringent regulations by force.

The Mayor voiced his intent to attend the North Carolina League's annual meeting in Seattle, Washington.

Lastly, Mayor Moss reported that the City's Christmas tree at Lake Rogers is dying and deadline for resolution of this has been set for November 6<sup>th</sup>.

#### COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

## **Commissioner Wilkerson (Transportation Infrastructure)**

Commissioner Wilkerson reported that NC DOT has money to repair HWY 15 from I-85 to the South Crossroads. The Commissioner thanked the board for having confidence in him and re-electing him to the SGWASA board, remarking that he is looking forward to voting if the merger is a success and the City's voting rights are reestablished.

Commissioner Minor (EENR)

None

Commissioner Robinson (FAIR)

None

**Commissioner Stallings (CED)** 

None

Mayor Pro-Tem Piper (Public Safety)

None

## **ETJ EXPANSION**

A presentation was given on the proposed ETJ expansion. According to Commissioner Minor, a utility service area has never been defined by SGWASA which is included in the proposed expansion project. Questions were raised as to how SGWASA's jurisdiction policy was defined and by whom? A generic jurisdiction of "Southern Granville County" is currently the only way it is defined.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the board, moved by Commissioner Robinson to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Minor. The motion received a unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Darryl D. Moss, Mayor

ATTEST:

Robin E. Reif, City Clerk