

Minutes of City of Creedmoor BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Work Session

October 5, 2015 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Darryl D. Moss, Mayor Pro Tem Herman Wilkerson, Commissioner Del Mims, Commissioner Jimmy Minor, Commissioner Thomas Jackson, and Commissioner Larry Robinson. Also present were Finance Director Ren Wiles, Planning Director Mike Frangos, Public Works Director Steve Colenda, Chief of Police Keith King, City Clerk Kathi McCorkle, and Attorney Tom Currin.

INVOCATION and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Darryl Moss called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m. and offered the invocation. Commissioner Robinson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Upon request by the Mayor, it was moved by Commissioner Robinson; seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson to approve the agenda. The motion received a unanimous vote.

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

Mayor Moss presented certificates of appreciation to Ms. Shaye Brower and her South Granville High School Visual Arts students Fredie Euceda-Colindres and Kasey Durham for their contribution made in the face-painting booth at the Creedmoor Music Festival. Students Sarah Wynn and Caleigh Katz also received certificates but were unable to attend the meeting.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Moss presented a proclamation celebrating October as Hispanic Heritage Month. The proclamation will be forwarded by the Clerk to the Granville County Human Relations Commission.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Interim City Manager Korena Weichel was chairing an out-of-town NCLM affiliate HR Director's conference and therefore was not present to make a report.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Finance, Administration and Intergovernmental Relations No report given.

Energy, Environment and Natural Resources

No report given.

Public Safety

Commissioner Jackson reported constituents' observations of excessive speeds in the North Pine Street/Aiken corridor between US 15 and NC 56. He plans to meet with Transportation/Programs Director Scottie Cornett, Chief Keith King and Commissioner Wilkerson to discuss solutions, one possibly being the permanent closure of North Pine Street.

Transportation Infrastructure

Commissioner Mims provided a report on the Kristina Crossings (306 Bridget Way) complaint concerning a cracked driveway the homeowner claims was caused in 2010 by heavy equipment used by a City contractor. She stated that because the homeowner, contractor nor city have detailed records (other than a copy of the contractor's invoice provided by the City for work done in the area around that time), liability is difficult to assign.

In order to finalize the matter, Commissioner Mims recommended and moved that the City assume the position of good neighbor, secure a dollar value for the damage and determine a shared-cost approach for repair at 306 Bridget Way; seconded by Commissioner Jackson.

In further discussion, Public Works Director Colenda reported that 13 other driveways in the neighborhood have similar cracks, and in his opinion they are the result of normal wear and tear and not caused by heavy equipment.

Attorney Tom Currin added that in many instances concrete cracks pose no substantive problems, with no reasonable fix in relation to the problem. In this case, the crack poses no danger and was not determined to be caused by the City; therefore the City has no legal obligation.

Upon call for a vote, the motion failed 2-3.

Ayes: Mims, Jackson

Noes: Robinson, Wilkerson, Minor

Commissioner Mims then moved that a process be established for tracking all incoming citizen complaints with documented steps for resolution; seconded by Commissioner Minor.

Unable to confirm whether a process is in place currently, the Board was in agreement. During discussion, Mr. Colenda stated that the current process is that when complaints come in, written work orders are issued and complaint is investigated. He doesn't recall a work order issued for 306 Bridget Way in 2010, and according to Mayor Moss, staff could not locate a work order for that issue.

The motion received a unanimous vote.

Community and Economic Development

No report given.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Moss called for a motion authorizing 2015 Christmas parade participants to throw candy to onlookers as last year's alternate efforts to hand out candy directly from the street failed. Now that the City is sponsoring the parade, its liability needs to be considered.

It was moved by Commissioner Minor to authorize throwing candy at the 2015 Christmas Parade; seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson.

During discussion it was recommended that candy be thrown far enough away from the car so kids don't have to run up to the cars; and that drivers should be vigilant.

The motion received a unanimous vote.

CLOSED SESSION

Upon request from the Mayor, a motion was made by Commissioner Wilkerson that the Board enter closed session as per N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(6) to discuss confidential personnel matters; seconded by Commissioners Robinson and Minor. The motion received a unanimous vote, and the Board and City Attorney entered closed session at 6:21 p.m.

The Board discussed employment of Mr. Mike Bonfield as City Manager, pursuant to the terms of a contract. Several provisions of the contract were discussed and a consensus of the Board was reached with regard to each of the provision inquiries. The Mayor communicated with the candidate as to the issues under discussion, and each of the pending issues was resolved.

It was moved by Commissioner Robinson; seconded by Commissioner Minor, that the Board return to regular session. The motion received a unanimous vote.

At 7:34 p.m. the Board returned to regular session.

Upon request for a motion by the Mayor, Commissioner Minor moved that the City enter into an employment agreement with Mike Bonfield for the City Manager's position effective November 2, 2015; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson.

Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson requested a roll call vote.

The motion received a unanimous vote as follows:

Robinson – Yes Jackson – Yes Wilkerson – Yes Minor – Yes Mims – Yes

ADJOURNMENT

There being no additional business before the Board, it was moved by Commissioner Robinson to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Commissioner Jackson. The motion received a unanimous vote and the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Darryl D. Moss, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathleen J. McCorkle, City Clerk