



MINUTES OF
CITY OF CREEDMOOR
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
ANNUAL STRATEGIC
PLANNING WORKSHOP
JANUARY 31, 2017
5:30 P.M.

PRESENT

Mayor Darryl Moss, Commissioner Ernie Anderson, Commissioner Thomas Jackson, Commissioner Herman Wilkerson, and Mayor Pro Tem Archer Wilkins. Also present were City Manager Michael P. Bonfield, Assistant City Manager/HR Director Korena Weichel, Planning Director Mike Frangos, Financial Director Jamison Crampton, Public Works Director Daniel Snipes, Code Enforcement Administrator Steve Colenda, Police Chief Keith King, and City Clerk Kathleen McCorkle.

ROLL CALL

Roll call by the clerk determined that a quorum of the members was present.

ABSENT

None

MANAGER AND STAFF PRESENTATIONS

City Manager Mike Bonfield provided an overview of each of the City's funds and preliminary thoughts pertaining to the FY 17/18 budget. Each of the department heads reviewed the past fiscal year and consideration and/or needs for FY 17/18.

Upon return from a brief break, Mayor Moss asked the clerk to brief the board on the upcoming city charter amendment.

Mayor Moss congratulated staff on its comprehensive overview and day-to-day execution.

BOARD PRIORITIES FOR FY 17/18 BUDGET

Commissioner Anderson

- Use money from reserve fund for recreation
- Lower taxes
- Pavilion and live Christmas tree at Lake Rogers Park
- Showcase entrance to city limits

Commissioner Jackson

- Purchase 24 acres on east side of Lake Rogers Park and develop for recreation like beach volleyball courts, Frisbee golf, walking trails, basketball courts
- Utilize seven acres on west side of Lake Rogers for recreation after the trail project is back on track and bridge across Ledge Creek is built
- Pave gravel lot between City Hall and Elm Street to increase parking
- Complete the Chief Street Alley project
- Complete sidewalk on the west side of South Main Street to Whitehall
- Pave Sunset Street from Pine to US 15
- Develop and publish a trail plan along the sewer lines on the east side of Creedmoor
- Purchase land immediately east of Chief Street and extend Gray Street from Mill to Lyon

- Partner with Butner to develop Ledge Creek Flats for use as a practice field
- Drop membership in Tar Pamlico Basin Association
- Declare as surplus the two proposed wastewater treatment plant sites and sell them, and use the funds for recreation.

Commissioner Mims

- Repair/construction of streets
- Address distressed areas in need of façade improvements
- Convert gravel driveways and parking spaces to create a clean visual aesthetic
- Develop a “Helping Hand” grant/loan program for façade improvements
- Helping Hand program could also be offered as a resource to schools
- Make opportunities available for citizen participation

Commissioner Wilkerson

- Extend Christmas lights to end of city limits on 50 South
- Improve street lighting from City gym to SGHS

Mayor Pro Tem Wilkins

- Research a reasonable, affordable renovation to gym
- Develop a program to improve the looks of downtown

DISCUSSION

Mr. Bonfield noted that staff will summarize the suggestions at the next regular meeting and the normal budget process will begin.

Upon request from Mayor Moss, Mr. Bonfield provided an overview of the City’s revenue sources.

A brief discussion took place regarding future residential growth, taxes, façade grants, and the continuing litter problem.

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Commissioner Wilkins and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to adjourn. The motion received a unanimous vote and the meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Darryl D. Moss, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathleen J. McCorkle, City Clerk