

# MINUTES OF CITY OF CREEDMOOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CLOSED SESSION FOLLOWING MEETING JULY 17, 2018 6 P.M.

### PRESENT

Mayor Bobby Wheeler, Mayor Pro Tem Archer Wilkins, Commissioner Del Mims, Commissioner Herman Wilkerson, Commissioner Neena Nowell, Commissioner Ernie Anderson. Also present were City Manager Michael P. Bonfield, Assistant City Manager/HR Director Korena Weichel, City Clerk Kathleen McCorkle, and Attorney T.C. Morphis Jr.

# CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO NCGS 143-318.11(A)(5) PROPERTY ACQUISITION; (3) ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGE AND (6) PERSONNEL MATTERS

(5) City Manager Mike Bonfield reported no response has been received from Mr. Peace regarding property he owns on the east side of Lake Rogers. The City has playground equipment etc., on his property. Due to no response from Mr. Peace to the City's offer to buy the property, City Attorney T.C. Morphis suggested pursuing eminent domain action. Mayor Pro Tem Wilkins moved that we proceed to move forward with appraisal and 30-day notice letter; seconded by Commissioner Anderson. Commissioner Mims voiced her opposition to eminent domain in general and her hope that this action will result in a response from Mr. Peace. Mr. Bonfield noted that Mr. Peace did not respond to an offer of \$35,000 which is assessed tax value plus cost avoidance. The motion received a 4-1 vote, with Commissioner Mims dissenting. Should there be no response from Mr. Peace, Mr. Morphis will return to the Board in September for permission to pursue condemnation proceedings.

Regarding the Dudley property next to the gymnasium, Ms. Dudley is getting a written appraisal. The Board agreed to wait for the results of Ms. Dudley's appraisal prior to the City's obtaining one.

Regarding the property on Elm Street that Commissioner Anderson mentioned could be used for parking, Mr. Bonfield reminded the Board that the previous offer with option approved by the board was rejected by the owner. He then asked the Board what they would like him to do. The Board directed Mr. Bonfield to find out the current asking price and report back to them.

(3) Mr. Morphis reported the NCLM did not provide a response regarding liability insurance for public officials concerning the reading of the Christmas story at the annual tree lighting. Staff reported that a decision on continuing the reading did not need to be made until closer to the event.

# Redacted - Personnel discussion

## RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Wilkins to return to open session; seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion received a 5-0 vote.

ATTEST:

Terry A. Hobgood, Jr., City Clerk