

Minutes of City of Creedmoor BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Regular Meeting

July 24, 2012 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT

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

INVOCATION and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Wilkerson to adopt the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Stallings. The motion received a unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Commissioner Piper to approve the Minutes of the June 26, 2012 Board of Commissioner's Regular Meeting and July 9, 2012 Board of Commissioner's Work Session; seconded by Commissioner Minor. Motion received a unanimous vote.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

Mayor Moss and Safety Committee Chairman Commissioner Piper recognized Lieutenant Ricky Cates. Lieutenant Cates was presented with his certificate for achieving an Advanced Law Enforcement Certification, the highest achievement you can gain in law enforcement in the state.

PUBLIC COMMENT

John Wilkerson, 308 S. Main Street, Creedmoor. Mr. Wilkerson requested an update on the progress of the new Creedmoor website. Mayor Moss responded that the rollout of the new website will be in the October timeframe. Economic Development and Transportation Projects Manager Scottie Wilkins reported that staff has and will be attending training sessions in phases, that the basic web pages are loaded, more content is in the process of being loaded and we are getting much closer to completion.

Edward Gleason, 1973 Bowles Avenue, Creedmoor. Mr. Gleason commented that he and several neighbors have noticed a sewage odor to the water supply in Golden Pond Subdivision asking if the City was aware of this and if there is an issue. Commissioner Minor asked if anyone had called City Hall to report the issue to which Mr. Gleason replied they had not. Commissioner Minor suggested calling staff with a request to have the system flushed.

Mr. Gleason also inquired why the Public Comment period came early in the meeting before any new business was discussed. Mayor Moss responded that the placement of the public comment period on the agenda is conducted at his preference.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. <u>USDA Water/Sewer Projects Update</u> Commissioner Minor reported on the following:

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Water and Sewer Infrastructure: The pump station is online and receiving chemical feeds. Everything is performing well and on schedule. There are minor SCADA issues. The sewer lines are completed with the exception of the final installation of remaining lines on NC56 west. Work is to be completed according to the original contract schedule excepting change orders and relining of old sewer lines.

Public Works Director, Jeff Brooks reported that Pine Valley II and Park Avenue pump stations were officially offline.

Mayor Moss reported that on Monday, October 1st at 10:30 a.m. there will be a ceremonial project dedication at which Representative Brad Miller and USDA officials will be in attendance.

2. Motion to Approve Revised Interlocal Agreement for Stormwater Utility

Changes resulting from Person County raising taxes and failing to budget for shared expenses. Person County has elected to fund stormwater through ad valorum taxes. The revised language in the Interlocal Agreement for Stormwater Utility being voted on dictates what happens if a member County does not cover their shared costs.

Moved by Commissioner Stallings to approve the revised Interlocal Agreement for Stormwater Utility; seconded by Commissioner Robinson. Motion received a unanimous vote.

City Planner Randy Cahoon reported that stormwater utility bills did go out and nine complaints have been received to date.

3. Contract for Advocacy/Economic Development

Mayor Moss reported that recognition of shifting attitudes in DC has caused the City to look to companies in North Carolina for lobbying assistance.

Moved by Commissioner Piper to approve funds being shifted from Marlowe and Company to Carolina Public Relations as the City's new advocacy firm; seconded by Commissioner Minor. Motion received a unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS

CMAO

Economic Development and Transportation Projects Manager Scottie Wilkins reported that the NC-DOT is ready to begin the project and final contracts are before the board tonight for authorization.

Moved by Commissioner Wilkerson to authorize Mayor Moss to sign the Cross City Trail project (TIP Project # C-5144) contract for provision of construction engineering and inspection services (CEI) with A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. (AMT); seconded by Commissioner Minor. Motion received a unanimous vote.

Ms. Wilkins reported that the required payment and performance bonds as well as liability certification have been received from Centurion and that authorization of the contract is requested. City Attorney Tom Currin reported that one bond did not have the corporate seal on it but that it could be approved with the understanding that the seal be added prior to the notice to proceed being delivered.

Moved by Commissioner Minor to authorize Mayor Moss to sign the Cross-City Trail Phase I project contract with Centurion Construction Company; seconded by Commissioner Robinson. Motion received a unanimous vote.

Moved by Commissioner Stallings to proceed with the signed contracts with the understanding that the missing corporate seal be added to the bond before the notice to proceed is delivered; seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson. Motion received a unanimous vote.

Commissioner Wilkerson asked the City Attorney what the City's liability would be on this project. City Attorney Tom Currin responded that, for example if a hole was dug for the project and left unfilled and safely barricaded, there would be a potential negligence liability but the City would not be liable for failure to maintain the project much like if someone were to sustain an injury on a City-owned street.

NEW BUSINESS

None

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Moss reported that the City of Creedmoor participated in the first ever Viking 5K road race and that the Greenup Basketball Academy is doing well.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Robinson

None

Commissioner Minor

None

Commissioner Wilkerson

Commissioner Wilkerson requested an update on moving the city sign on highway NC-56E. Public Works Director Jeff Brooks reported that discussions are to be held with the City Manager regarding the offer received. Cost to relocate may be more than originally anticipated.

Commissioner Wilkerson requested an update on the status of the sand shelter at the maintenance shop. Mr. Brooks reported that Superior Concrete does not have the required materials and the City is looking at different options to include building it ourselves.

Mayor Pro-Tem Stallings

Commissioner Stallings commented on a weed problem in the area of the dam at the old water plant on the lower side where the rip-rap is. Public Works Director Jeff Brooks stated that a lake appropriate aquatic spray is to be applied to eradicate the weeds.

In addition to the weeds at Lake Rogers, all items above to be added as ongoing agenda items for future meetings at the request of Commissioner Wilkerson.

Commissioner Stallings inquired about PSNC contacting business owners about installing natural gas lines behind the buildings on Main Street. Building Codes Administrator Steve Colenda stated that no applications have been received yet and that they are several weeks away from making a decision based on revenue potential.

Commissioner Piper

None.

CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Commissioner Wilkerson to go into closed session to discuss contract negotiation regarding property acquisition as allowed by G.S. 143-318.11(a) (5); seconded by Commissioner Stallings. The motion received a unanimous vote. The board went to closed session at 7:42 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon returning from Closed Session, there being no further business before the Board, Commissioner Piper moved to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson. The motion received a unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned.

Dary D. Moss, Mayor

ATTEST:

Robin E. Reif, Deputy City C