

Minutes

Rutherford College Town Council Meeting

October 3, 2011

CF3, Track 8

6:30 PM Agenda Review

Mayor Huffman, along with Council Abernethy and Satterwhite were the only members of the board present for the Agenda Review. They discussed the following additions to New Business on the agenda: 1) Resolution- NC School for Deaf in Morganton; 2) Neighborhood Watch; 3) Appointments.

7:00 PM Regular Meeting

CALL TO ORDER/ Mayor Jimmy O. Huffman, Sr.

(Council Wallrichs, Abernethy, Satterwhite were present. Council Jensen was 10 minutes late due to work related issues, and Council McClure was absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ Led by Pastor Sally Queen

INVOCATION/ Pastor Sally Queen

APPROVE/AMEND AGENDA/ Council Wallrichs moved to added the following items as New Business to the agenda:

- 1) Resolution/ NC School for the Deaf in Morganton
- 2) Neighborhood Watch
- 3) Appointments

Vote was unanimous of Council present.

APPROVE/AMEND MINUTES/ Council Abernethy moved to approve the September 12th minutes. Vote was unanimous of Council present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/ No comments were made at this time.

MANAGER'S REPORT/ Town Manager, Kenneth Geathers, Jr., stated that in regards to the purchase of 920 Malcolm Blvd., the town just received the Phase 1 Environmental Review and will be sending it to First Citizen Bank on Tuesday. The Town was required to obtain this review in order to purchase the property.

In regards to the recycle dumpsters on Campus St., Mr. Geathers stated that the town ordinance does require an enclosure around the dumpsters. Johnny Wear, Town Planner, further stated that the enclosure must have four sides and have additional room for the GDS trucks to be able to maintain the bins without damaging the enclosure. Mr. Geathers stated that he will do further research and present it to the Council.

OLD BUSINESS

I. Drainage Issues:

Campus St.- Mr. Geathers stated that West Consultants did a field survey on Campus Street and found a fiber optic cable and a lateral waterline on the north side of the street, therefore to reduce cost, the

recommendations is that we install the drainage system on the south side of the street beginning at Ms. Icard's property. Ms. Icard's property will be the only property that is affected physically. These improvements should slow down the velocity of the water and divert the overall flow. Currently, West Consultants has received three (3) bids for the work which ranges from \$16,572 to \$20,505 in costs. These bids included high density polyethylene piping. West Consultants recommended this contract be awarded to Beam Grading & Construction Co, Inc. at the cost of \$16,572.

Griffin St.- Mr. Geathers stated that West Consultants reviewed Griffin St. and found three (3) options. Option 1 included 280 ft. of HDPE pipe, driveway repair, and rip rap protection costing \$11,110. Option 2 included ditch grading, lining, and seeding, 52 ft of HDPE pipe, driveway repair, and rip rap protection costing \$15,044. Option 3 included ditch grading, lining, and seeding, one storm drain boxes, 108 ft of HDPE pipe, driveway repair, and rip rap protection costing \$16,456. Mr. Geathers further stated that he recommended that the Council consider cleaning out the storm drains and redefining the drainage swells first before considering the three (3) options. Council Wallrichs moved to clean out the storm drains. Vote was unanimous of Council present.

NEW BUSINESS

- I. **Resolution/ NC School for Deaf in Morganton:** Council Wallrichs moved to approve a resolution of the Town Council of Rutherford College in support of the North Carolina School for the Deaf at Morganton. Vote was unanimous of Council present. The Clerk is to send a signed copy to the Department of Public Instruction.
- II. **Neighborhood Watch:** Council Abernethy stated that the next Neighborhood Watch meeting is scheduled for October 17th. She further stated that the group would like to ask if the Council would consider purchasing some signs to be placed throughout town. The Sheriff's Dept. will supply the group with two free signs and any additional signs have to be purchased. Cost is unknown at this time. The Council did not take any action at this time. It was decided that they would wait and see how well the free signs are acknowledged. The group also wanted to know if the Town would consider doing a mass mailing of postcards and/or flyers to R.C. citizens. The Council agreed for the Clerk to create a flyer that can be handed out at town hall as well as given to the churches and elementary school. Lastly, the group wanted to know if the town would place a crime report on the website as well as a list of sex offenders in the area. After much discussion, the Council decided not to place any information regarding local crime, or sex offenders on the website. The Council did agree, however, to allow the Neighborhood Watch group to use the Community Rooms as a meeting place at no charge.
- III. **Appointments:** Council Satterwhite moved that the Town Manager Kenneth Geathers, Jr. be appointed as a representative for the Town to the following boards and agencies, effective immediately:
 - a. Burke Development Incorporated
 - b. VEDIC Burke Business Loan Program
 - c. Burke Cooperative Water Board

Vote was unanimous of Council present. The Clerk is to notify said boards and agencies within ten business days.

COMMENTS/OTHER/ No comments

ADJOURN/ Council Satterwhite moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 pm. Vote was unanimous of Council present.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica S. Bargsley
Town Clerk

Approved:

Mayor Jimmy O. Huffman, Sr.

Date: _____