

Town Of Oakboro
Board of Commissioners
Minutes
Regular Scheduled Meeting
January 17, 2017
7:00 PM

Mayor Doug Burgess called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. The Town Clerk called the roll with the following present: Commissioner Efird, Commissioner Broadway, Commissioner Huneycutt, Mayor Burgess and Commissioner Harvey.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Burgess.

Commissioner Broadway had devotions.

Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Efird and the motion carried.

Commissioner Harvey made a motion to approve the minutes from December 19, 2016. Commissioner Broadway seconded the motion and it carried.

OPEN FORUM:

Mr. Kendall Huneycutt signed up to speak. He introduced himself and said that his place (Huneycutt Tire) has been in business since 1957. He stated that he and his dad ran the place and thinks they've been very successful in what they've done. He further states that over the last 20-25 years, every time he turns around, somebody is saying something about the junk cars and junk. He says he's a car dealer, a tire dealer, wrecker service driver, and he helps the public do a lot of things around. All of sudden, he's getting papers again. He feels like the town is trying to run him out. He wishes we could come to some kind of compromise and get this thing squared away, stating that enough businesses are leaving Oakboro and he thinks that the board needs to rethink this thing. Mr. Huneycutt says we should get this thing understood. He expressed that talking to somebody and getting somebody to understand where you're going with something helps out a lot, but ignoring somebody and sending them a paper and having Sheriff's Department to deliver a penalty – a \$50.00 Penalty because you're parking cars that you're working on, it sort of gets him a little upset. He would like for the board to rethink this thing and try to get it under control.

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DEPARTMENT UPDATES:

Budget and Finance – Commissioner Harvey had no report

Cemetery and Streets: Commissioner Efirm had no report

Police Department: Commissioner Broadway recognized Chief of Police, TJ Smith. Chief Smith handed each Commissioner a copy of the Police Report log for January. He also offered Officer Jonathan Williams to be sworn in. Officer Williams' Aunt, Sharon Knotts, held the bible as he took the oath. Officer Williams' Mother, Leslie Williams, pinned his badge to his uniform.

Mayor Burgess welcomed Officer Williams to the Town of Oakboro and conveyed to him that Oakboro is happy to have him as a Police Officer and we're looking forward to a long tenure of service.

Parks and Recreation – Commissioner Efirm recognized Head of Parks and Recreation, Daniel Smith. Mr. Smith reported that we are well into our youth basketball season and we have two different leagues. Kindergarten thru 5th grade league is playing at Oakboro School Gymnasium. We are also helping to sponsor some middle school rec. teams thru West Stanly Middle School. We've teamed up with the City of Locust Parks and Rec. We're moving forward on the community building. Surveyors were out yesterday and we're waiting on a couple of paperwork issues. Hopefully, we will be able to break ground in the near future.

Water and Sewer: Commissioner Huneycutt had no report.

Advisory Board/Code Enforcement: Commissioner Efirm had a couple of items that he needed to report on. At our Zoning meeting, last Tuesday night, we had a couple of new items come in. Joel Thomas came in with his property that he has purchased at Big Lick and briefly went over the plans he has for that. We are very excited to see the possibilities in the area of Big Lick in the future and we will begin to work on that as soon as we get the site plans. Also, we're beginning to work on two pieces of property down below Alonzo Road for rezoning to R-9 multifamily for some possible future apartments.

Commissioner Harvey stated that Mr. Mark Tucker had asked her as to the status of his zoning. Commissioner Efirm stated that we are waiting on Mr. Tucker, he's going to reduce the size of his building and submit it to zoning. The ball is in Mr. Tucker's court. We met with Michael Sandy with Stanly County Zoning about a week ago and explained to him that Mr. Tucker is

putting too much on that piece of property and he won't have enough parking. We are waiting to hear back from Mr. Tucker.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Harvey had no comment.

Commissioner Huneycutt welcomed Officer Williams to the Oakboro Police Department and thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Commissioner Broadway had no comment

Commissioner Efird had no comment.

Mayor Burgess stated that on behalf of the Town of Oakboro we certainly do welcome each and everyone here tonight. He assured Officer Williams that he has a lot of support from a lot of people.

Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion to go into Closed Session. Commissioner Efird seconded the motion and it carried.

Closed Session – Action Taken

Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion to go back into Open Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Efird and it carried.

Commissioner Harvey inquired where we stand with the new website, as far as entering minutes. Mayor Burgess told her that we are in the process of having our new servers and computers installed this week and should be able to get to it at the first of next week. Also, Commissioner Harvey wanted to know if we now have a backup worked into our new servers. She was assured that we do and we will also be using Carbonite.

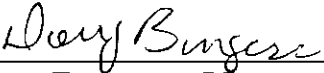
Commissioner Huneycutt asked if there is a time limit on our park grant money. Mayor Burgess told him that the time limit is up on March 21, 2017 and if we get near, we will ask for an extension. Commissioner Efird offered that he and the Mayor have a meeting with the architect tomorrow at 2:00pm and they would be able to see plans. It's in the process of being surveyed in order to get a parking lot and erosion control plan put together. Mayor Burgess said as soon as that is completed, we will have a plan review and be ready to go.

Chief Smith reported that the two Crown Victoria's and the Tahoe should be sold soon, and that money will be applied to a new patrol car. He would also be needing 2 guns.

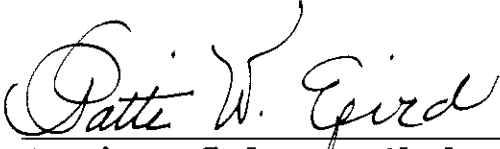
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Commissioner Broadway made a motion to continue this meeting until Monday, January 30, 2017 at 7:00PM. Commissioner Huneycutt seconded the motion and it carried.

This the 17 day of January, 2017.



Doug Burgess, Mayor



Patti W. Efir, Town Clerk