

Town Of Oakboro

Board of Commissioners

Minutes

Public Hearing

Following by Regular Meeting

June 17, 2019

6:30 Briefing

7:00 Meeting

Mayor Little opened the Public Hearing. The Public hearing was to hear comments, for or against, Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments. (as follows)

- 1. Zoning Ordinance Article III, Section 10 – Attorney may prevent violation is revised to Section 10. Legal Remedies. Removing “Enforcing Zoning Ordinance by Criminal Penalty”**
- 2. Zoning Ordinance Article III, Section 4, Zoning Enforcement Officer is revised.**
- 3. Zoning Ordinance Article III Section 14 Alternative Zoning Enforcement Provisions is revised to Section 14: Zoning Ordinance Violations: Procedures and Penalties**
- 4. Zoning Ordinance Article IV, Section 3. Definitions of Specific terms and words, New definitions to be added: Definitions revised**
- 5. Zoning Ordinance Article VII, Section 4 (B) 18. Outdoor Storage is amended to apply the requirement to existing development after one year:**
- 6. Zoning Ordinance Article XI, Section 6. Protest Petitions is revised to “Citizen Comments” in accordance with changes to the General Statutes:**
- 7. Zoning Ordinance App. 1, Table of Permitted Uses is amended by adding recycling centers in Industrial Zoning District and recycling collection centers in Neighborhood Business Zoning District:**
- 8. Chapter 97, Non-residential Building Maintenance Standards. Add a new section 14A, Premises to be kept in a clean and orderly fashion.**

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Oakboro's attorney, Al Benshoff, spoke to these 8 items. No one signed up to speak or ask question. Mayor Little declared the Public Hearing closed.

Mayor Little opened the Board of Commissioner's meeting and welcomed everyone. She had the Town Clerk call the roll with the following present: Commissioner Efir, Commissioner Huneycutt, Commissioner Smith, Mayor Little, Commissioner Watkins, Commissioner Jackson and Doug Burgess.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Little.

Devotions were led by Commissioner Smith.

Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

Commissioner Efir made a motion to approve the minutes from May 20, 2019. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

Commissioner Watkins made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$102,371.41. Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

Commissioner Efir made a motion to set a Public Hearing for Annexation of 3.91 acres on south Coble Avenue for TAB Properties, LLC. For July 15, 2019. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

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Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion to amend definition of abandoned and junked motor vehicles ordinance. Commissioner Efird seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

Paul Peters with the Nehemiah Project asked to speak. He has recently started a non-profit called the Nehemiah Project. It's basically from the Book of Nehemiah where God commissioned Nehemiah to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem. Rebuild, Restore and Re-heal the community by uniting together and serving in a spirit of love and compassion. They are focusing on homelessness, senior citizens, at-risk youth, abused women, mental health and intellectual disability and addiction. They are partnering with Legacy House and Bridge to Recovery. They don't want to reinvent the wheel – we want to come to the community and find out where they need help. They want to bring money in, by way of donations, without asking for money.

Larry Wilkins, founder of "Gateway to Hope" by way of Legacy House. Legacy House is a sober/halfway house for men who have come out of treatment for addiction with a safe place to land to keep their sobriety. Mr. Wilkins was asking for prayers.

Open Forum:

Hilda Keeney signed up to speak. She spoke on problems at Oak Glen Subdivision. She reported that grass is coming through some of the streets and asked when they would be re-paved to DOT standards. She appreciates Oakboro mowing the sides of the street but the town is not trimming the bushes around the Oak Glen entrance sign. The lights are no longer lit. She would like for the town to spruce the neighborhood up.

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She also stated that there is no HOA. Doug Burgess stated that the sign is the responsibility of the Homeowners. The streets are the responsibility of the town of Oakboro. It was discussed and the lighting is the responsibility of the homeowners. Mayor Little said her concerns would be looked into and someone would get back with her.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES:

Budget and Finance: Doug Burgess reported that the income on our General Fund is at 97 percent. Water is at 106 percent and Sewer is at 102 percent.

Cemetery and Streets: Commissioner Watkins said that he was looking at some of our streets in the town. He said that fourth street that goes by his house, water is draining from Quik Chek and undermining the road.

Police Department: Commissioner Huneycutt recognized Chief TJ Smith. Smith reported 807 field contacts, 197 calls for service, 48 citations, 3 arrests. Also, the renovation is almost complete at the new OPD. They should be moving soon.

Parks and Recreation: Commissioner Smith asked if an outdoor volleyball pit had ever been discussed. He would like for Josh Almond to look into it. Head of Parks and Recreation, Josh Almond, reported that there was a Senior Softball Tournament this past weekend and our Oakboro team won. Farmers Market is open on Saturdays from 8:00am until 1:00 PM. On July 7-12, 2019, Oakboro will host a model boat battle championship. People will be coming in from all over the country

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Water and Sewer: Commissioner Efir. He reported that he met with Town Administrator, Doug Burgess and Head of water and sewer, Tommy Kost and Andy Lucas to discuss our I & I issue. They are trying to come up with some kind of idea of where we are at with that.

Advisory Board and Code Enforcement: Commissioner Efir. Other than the text amendments that attorney Al Benshoff explained, he had nothing new to report.

Commissioner Efir made a motion to adopt the 8 Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments from the Public Hearing. Commissioner Huneycutt seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

Board Member Comments:

Commissioner Efir – He thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and their interest in what the Board does.

Commissioner Huneycutt – No comment

Commissioner Smith – He bragged on BJ Hill and his upcoming football camp.

Commissioner Watkins – No Comment

Commissioner Jackson – No Comment

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

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

Action Taken

Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion to hire Brandon McLendon as a police officer for the Town of Oakboro. Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

Commissioner Jackson made a motion to pay Officer McLendon \$37,900.00 per year (\$17.35/hour) and to start on July 1, 2019. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

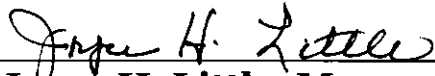
Commissioner Smith made a motion to raise the following people to the following pay per hour. Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

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| Reggie Bowers | \$17.75 |
| Dakota Clark | \$11.35 |
| Leon Dennis | \$17.75 |
| Trevor Drye | \$11.00 |
| Patti Efird | \$18.25 |
| Jason Eschert | \$18.65 |
| Rodney Hahn | \$17.75 |
| Bryce Kaus | \$18.65 |
| Leslie Murray | \$17.50 |
| Craig Richards | \$19.60 |
| Josh Almond | \$19.40 |
| David Daigle | \$18.65 |
| Matt Howard | \$17.85 |
| Ben Lummus | \$17.35 |
| Tommy Kost | \$28.60 |

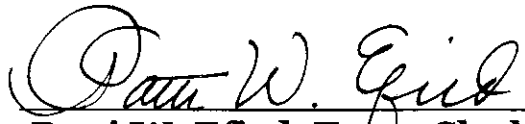
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Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion to continue meeting until June 27, 2019 at 5:15 PM. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

This the 17th day of June, 2019.



Joyce H. Little, Mayor



Patti W. Efirid, Town Clerk

