

Town Of Oakboro

Board of Commissioners

MINUTES

November 16, 2020

7:00 PM

Mayor Little opened the meeting, welcomed everyone and asked the Town Clerk to call the roll with the following present: Commissioner Efir, Commissioner Smith, Mayor Little, Commissioner Watkins and Commissioner Jackson. Commissioner Huneycutt did not attend meeting.

Boy Scout Troop 202 led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U. S. Flag.

Commissioner Smith had devotions.

Commissioner Jackson made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$77,297.38. Commissioner Efir seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

Commissioner Jackson made a motion to approve the minutes from October 19, 2020. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

No one signed up for Open Forum.

Department Updates:

Budget and Finance: Commissioner Jackson called on Town Administrator for a report. Doug Burgess reported that at this time our expenditures should be around 33%. The General Fund revenues are at 52% and expenditures are 34%. The Water fund revenues are at 34% and expenditures are at 32%. The Sewer fund revenues are at 55% and the expenditures are at 33%.

Cemetery and Streets: Commissioner Watkins. He reported that the pot holes were being repaired on the streets.

Police Department: Chief Smith reported that his officers performed 548 neighborhood checks, 183 field contacts, 7 arrests and 92 citations. He also reported that new officer, Sterling Hall would be ready for the road on

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January 5, 2021. Most of the officers are participating in “No Shave November”, benefiting April Spurlock family.

Parks and Recreation: Commissioner Smith reported that he was at the park over the weekend and there was a lot of activity going on. The bathrooms were clean and the park is beautiful. He called on Parks Director, Josh Almond, for a report. Mr. Almond reported that there had been a cross-country meet at the park today and that the directors of OMR agreed to the \$250.00 fee and providing liability insurance for the 5K run on January 2, 2021. Basketball season for K-4 has been cancelled since the school will not let us use the gym due to Covid-19. The NCDOT has pushed back the grant – they will be revisiting after December due to cash flow issues.

Water and Sewer: Commissioner Efird had nothing new to report.

Advisory Board/Code Enforcement: Commissioner Efird called upon Chief Smith for a report. He reported that, for the month, the town had apps for 8 new houses and 4 signs and 5 additions.

Chief Smith also reported that James Baucom, Jr. had complied by providing all necessary paperwork needed in order that the Board can vote on his Zoning change from Neighborhood Business to Highway Business at the property at the corner of 8th Street and Main Street.

Commissioner Efird made a motion to change the zoning at 8th and Main Street from Neighborhood Business to Highway Business. Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

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

CLOSED SESSION – Action Taken

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

John Underwood with AMT gave an update about the water lines at Forrest Creek Subdivision.

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Commissioner Jackson made a motion to give Town of Oakboro employees a 1 time pay increase. Full time employees will get \$250.00 and part time employees will get \$100.00. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

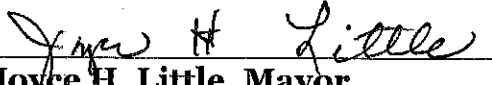
Commissioner Smith made a motion to give Sergeant Jason Eschert a raise in salary of \$.50/hour. Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

Commissioner Efird made a motion to hire David J. Lamb, Sr. at \$16.00/hour. Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.


Commissioner Smith reported that Jane Barnhardt had agreed for a mural to be painted on the side of her building with the stipulation that the town maintain it. He also voiced his concern of having the food trucks move to lot at Wade Road. He was interested in knowing what was going on with the fence behind the daycare. He thinks that Commissioners should get paid. He will not attend the RRPO meetings and wants another Commissioner to do so. He also does not want to be the Mayor Pro Temp.

Commissioner Efird made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

This the 16th day of November, 2020.



Joyce H. Little, Mayor



Patti W. Efird, Town Clerk

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