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TROUTMAN TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 14, 2019

The regular meeting of the Town of Troutman Town Council was held in the Troutman Town Hall, 400 North Eastway Drive, North Carolina on Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. with the Mayor Teross W. Young, Jr. presiding.

Council Members Present: Paul R. Bryant, Sally P. Williams; Judy Jablonski; W. Paul Henkel; Janith J. Huffman

Council Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Justin E. Longino, Town Manager; Kimberly H. Davis, Town Clerk; Steven H. Shealy, Finance Director; Emily M. Watson, Parks and Recreation Coordinator; Matthew A. Selves, Police Chief; Adam K. Lippard, Public Works Manager; Danielle Upright, Deputy Town Clerk; Gary W. Thomas, Town Attorney

Press Present: Debbie Page, SVL Free News
Megan Suggs, Statesville Record & Landmark

MAYOR TEROSS W. YOUNG CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER

ITEM 1. MAYOR YOUNG WELCOMED VISITORS AND GUESTS

ITEM 2. INVOCATION – Delivered by Associate Minister Greg Cummings, New Life Missionary Baptist Church, Troutman

ITEM 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ITEM 4. ADJUSTMENTS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

- * Move Item 18 – Appointment to Board of Adjustment as Item 8 and placed under Organizational Business.
- * Add as Item 20a – Closed Session Pursuant to General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(5)-Acquisition of Property
- *Add as Item 20b – Consideration to Offer to Purchase Town Property on Massey Street

Upon motion by Council member Williams, seconded by Council member Huffman, and unanimously carried, the February 14, 2019 meeting agenda was approved as amended.

ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

ITEM 5. ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEWLY APPOINTED TOWN COUNCIL MEMBER JANITH J. HUFFMAN, (Administered by the Honorable Deborah P. Brown, NC District Court Judge)

The Honorable Deborah P. Brown, NC District Court Judge administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed Town Council member Janith J. Huffman. Husband, Macon Huffman held their family bible for Council member Huffman while being sworn in, with family members in observance.

(Copied in full, Oath of Office is attached to these minutes and is filed on CD titled: “Town Council Supporting Documents” dated February 11th and February 14th, 2019 in CD Book #1 titled: “Town Council Supporting Documents”)

ITEM 6. CONSIDER COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS OF COUNCIL DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE DELEGATE TO CENTRALINA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (CCOG), (Mayor Young)

Upon motion by Council member Henkel, seconded by Council member Jablonski, and unanimously carried, approved Council member Bryant as Delegate, and Council member Huffman as Alternate Delegate to Centralina Council of Governments.

ITEM 7. CONSIDER COUNCIL APPOINTMENT OF AN ALTERNATE TO CHARLOTTE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION, (CRTPO), (Mayor Young)

Upon motion by Council member Huffman, seconded by Council member Jablonski, and unanimously carried, approved to re-appoint Council member Henkel as Alternate Delegate to Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization.

***ITEM 8. CONSIDER BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT APPOINTMENT OF MATTHEW WEBER TO FILL THE INSIDE POSITION OF JAN HUFFMAN (Term Expiring May 9, 2019), (Longino)**

Town Manager Justin Longino stated that Board of Adjustment recommended Mr. Weber to fill inside position. Mayor Young asked if Council would like to not only consider appointing Mr. Weber to fill the unexpired term, since the term is expiring so soon, but go ahead and appoint him to an additional 3 year term; if it is acceptable to Mr. Weber. Mr. Weber accepted the appointment of the additional 3 year term expiring May 09, 2022.

Upon motion by Council member Henkel, seconded by Council member Bryant, and unanimously carried, approved appointment of Mr. Matthew Weber to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Huffman expiring May 09, 2019 followed by appointment of an additional 3 year term expiring May 09, 2022.

Mayor Young expressed thanks and appreciation to Mr. Weber for volunteering his time and talents to the Town.

(Copied in full, re-appointment request is filed on CD titled: "Town Council Supporting Documents" dated February 11th and February 14th, 2019 in CD Book #1 titled: "Town Council Supporting Documents")

CONSENT AGENDA: *Items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Town Council and will be approved with one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless the Mayor or a Council member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as the first item under New Business.*

ITEM 9. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 13, 2018

ITEM 10. APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR WATER SERVICE TO CALVARY CHAPEL, BARIUM SPRINGS

ITEM 11. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 02-19, TITLED: "RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AND RETIREMENT OF LIEUTENANT MARTIN RAY LOUDERMILT"

ITEM 12. APPROVAL OF CENTRALINA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT'S (CCOG) PROPOSAL FOR PLANNING SERVICES

Upon motion by Council member Jablonski, seconded by Council member Williams, and unanimously carried, February 14, 2019 Consent Agenda Items was approved as presented.

(Copied in full, Res. 02-19 is filed in Resolution Book IV, Page 2)

(Copied in full, Res. 02-19, Budget Amendment, and CCOG Proposal for Planning Services is attached to these minutes and is filed on CD titled: "Town Council Supporting Documents" dated February 11th and February 14th, 2019 in CD Book #1 titled: "Town Council Supporting Documents")

RECOGNITIONS

ITEM 13. RECOGNITION OF SERVICE AND RETIREMENT OF LIEUTENANT MARTIN RAY (MARTY) LOUDERMILT OF THE TOWN OF TROUTMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT, (Matthew Selves, Police Chief)

In honor of Lt. Martin Ray (Marty) Loudermilt's retirement, Police Chief Matthew Selves reflected on the month of January 1990; the month and year Lt. Loudermilt at the age of 21 took his oath as a police officer for Alexander County Sheriff's Office and continued in the profession for 29 years. He thanked Lt. Loudermilt for his service to the Town and its citizens; stating that he will be missed. Chief Selves announced that Lt. Loudermilt will be honored at a reception tomorrow at 12:00 pm in the Council chambers at Town Hall.

Mayor Young read aloud Resolution 02-19 recognizing and honoring Lt. Loudermilt for his dedicated service and his positive contributions to the Town, Troutman Police Department and the community followed by Mayor Young presenting a framed copy to Lt. Loudermilt, conveying that on behalf of himself and Council, congratulations and best wishes for a healthy and enjoyable retirement.

Lt. Loudermilt addressed the Mayor, Council, fellow officers, and the community expressing thanks and appreciation commenting that Troutman is one of the better communities to work in and he is a better person because of the citizens of Troutman. He spoke of the officers in the Troutman Police Department not only being co-workers, but of being family. He thanked Council and Chief Selves for giving him the opportunity of working for the Town of Troutman stating that he always carried the badge with integrity and honor, and always tried to be fair and honest, commenting that he hopes he did not let anyone down. He stated that this is a happy occasion for him and he is so excited to see what God has in store for him in his next adventure.

ITEM 14. INTRODUCTION OF NEW TROUTMAN POLICE OFFICERS, (Selves)

Police Chief Selves introduced and presented a brief background of the following three new full time officers:

a. James Darin Bumgarner, New K9 Officer/K9-Jackpot

Chief Selves stated that Officer Bumgarner has been with the Police Department as a reserve/part-time officer since November 2015. He graduated Basic Law Enforcement Training in July 2006 and has almost 13 years of law enforcement experience. He previously worked for the Alexander County Sheriff's Office and Statesville Police Department. He has completed training as a School Resource Officer, Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE), Drug Enforcement for Patrol Officers, Interdiction Training, Field Training Officer Training, NC General Instructor, Rapid Deployment Instructor, Community Policing, Sniper Training, and K-9 Officer Training. He is also a graduate of Wilkes Community College with a two year degree. Chief Selves welcomed Officer Bumgarner to the department as the full time K-9 Officer, and thanked him for his past service.

Officer Darin Bumgarner spoke in honor of Lt. Loudermilt expressing the positive impact that Lt. Loudermilt has made on his life and career as a police officer, commenting that he hopes that he can serve the Town as well as Lt. Loudermilt.

b. Matthew Loudermilt, Patrol Officer

Chief Selves jokingly began his introduction of Officer Matthew Loudermilt, son of Marty Loudermilt, stating "out with the old and in with the new", as Officer Matthew Loudermilt begins his career in law enforcement with the Troutman Police Department. Officer Loudermilt is a 2015 graduate of Alexander County Central High School. He graduated in 2017 from Mitchell Community College with a 2-year degree in Criminal Justice; he graduated Law Enforcement Training in 2018 from Wilkes Community College. Between graduating high and being sworn in, Officer Loudermilt has logged roughly 1000 ride-a-long hours with the Troutman Police Department and other surrounding agencies. Chief Selves welcomed Officer Loudermilt to the force.

c. Daniel Bova, Patrol Officer

Chief Selves stated that Officer Bova started his law enforcement career with the Cornelius Police Department in June 2017. He is a 2007 graduate of West Iredell High School. Following graduation, he joined the United States Navy serving in the armed forces for 8 years. Officer Bova transferred to the US Navel Reserves in 2015 as Petty Officer 1st Class (E-6). He still serves in the Naval Reserves as a Chief Petty Officer (E-7) based in Charlotte. Officer Bova graduated from Mitchell Community College in Basic Law Enforcement Training in June 2017 and went to work with the Cornelius Police Department. He has received training as a Radar Operator, Standard Field Sobriety, Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving, TASER Training and has completed his EMT-Basic. Officer Bova will be graduating this Spring with a 2-year degree in Criminal Justice, and plans to enroll at Gardner Webb in the fall to complete his 4-year degree. His father, who retired last year, was a low enforcement officer with the Iredell County Sheriff's Office.

Mayor Young again expressed appreciation to Officer Marty Loudermilt for his 30 years of service in law enforcement stating that he was a strong asset to the force. He then welcomed and congratulated the new officers to the Town of Troutman and stated that everyone is looking forward to their time here.

ITEM 15. EDUCATION SPOTLIGHT – IREDELL CHARTER ACADEMY, (Judy Jablonski, Council Member)

Council member Jablonski presented Iredell Charter Academy as the Education Spotlight for the month of February honoring and recognizing students for their achievements within the areas of art, technology, science, and sports. The Students were presented by Ms. Andrea Lopresti, Principal; Ms. Jennifer Wilson, Principal in Training; and Ms. Ventresca, music/band teacher. Ms. Andrea Lopresti, Principal thanked Council for the recognition and commented that they are proud of their students and proud to showcase them. Ms. Ventresca led 2 band members in the playing of the Star Spangled Banner.

The following students were recognized for their achievements:

- Choir/Music – Bailey Walls & Melina Guitierrez (Playing the Star Spangled Banner-Clarinet, Keyboard, French Horn)
- Spanish – Hope Edwards & Raeleigh Byers
- Science Fair – George Williams, Samuel Hamrick & Sofie Jonsson
- Technology – Shelby McCoy & Juan Suarez-Diaz (Webpage spreadsheets)

- Art – Hailey Shields & Kayla Lawrence
- PE – Karate – Nate Phifer
- Gymnastics – Piper Gardner
- Hockey – Henry Parisi
- Basketball – Alyia Curlee
- Bowling – Neil Marsh

Following the conclusion of the recognitions, Students and school staff came forward for a congratulatory handshake from each Council member and Mayor Young who presented them with a Town of Troutman medallion and a town seal patch.

STANDING REPORTS

ITEM 16 J. HOYT HAYES MEMORIAL TROUTMAN LIBRARY MONTHLY REPORT, (Kelli Goodwin, Troutman Library Branch Manager)

Ms. Kelli Goodwin, Branch Manager Troutman Public Library presented the following monthly library report on current and upcoming programs and events:

- Troutman Friends of the Library (TFOL) held their quarterly meeting on January 31st. At that meeting, TFOL President Maxine Hargus thanked everyone who participated with the road clean-up in November. They discussed alternate ways to help library programs outside the library, and they approved a budget in the amount of \$100 for summer reading prizes. Also at the meeting, the Board took nominations for officers for this year; current officers: Maxine Hargus-President; Jody Barkley-Vice President; Bruce Hume-Treasurer; and Karen Neilson-Secretary were all re-elected to serve another year.
- Love Your Library Tree is up in all three of the Iredell County Library's. She explained that each ornament has a different item listed on it that is needed for the library.
- Announced that she and Karen VanVliet attended registration for upcoming 9th graders at South Iredell High School as part of the Library outreach program sharing information regarding the Library and its programs.
- Black History Month Program (with performer April C. Turner) Feb. 25th at 4pm at the Troutman Library; and 7pm at the Statesville Library. Storytelling through dance.
- Dental Storytime (NC Dentistry) Feb. 15th at 11am with a visit from the Tooth-Fairy. The month of February is National Awareness of Children's Dental Health.
- Student Service Opportunity (can earn 1 hr. of community service) on Feb. 19th at 4pm.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS AND GUESTS

The Public is invited to address the Town Council with comments or concerns. Public comment is limited to three (3) minutes per individual. Speakers are required to sign in at the podium and are required to adhere to Town Policy #51 titled: "Policy Governing Comments from the Public at Town Council Meetings".

In reference to the upcoming fiscal year budget, Citizen Jim McNiff stood before Council reminding them of their fiduciary responsibilities and encouraging them to focus on things the Town needs and not their wants.

OLD BUSINESS

ITEM 17. REZONING REQUEST (CZ-OI-18-02), (TOWN LIMITS/NON-CONTIGUOUS), Project Name: Limelights, 1.15 acres +/-, located at 694 S. Main St, PIN 4741509367 from Light Industrial to a Conditionally Zoned Office and Institutional, *(Justin Longino, Town Manager) (Tabled item from Council's October 11, 2018 meeting)*

a. Un-tabling of (CZ-OI-18-02) Project Name: Limelights, 1.15 acres +/-, located at 694 S. Main St, PIN 4741509367 from Light Industrial to a Conditionally Zoned Office and Institutional

Upon motion by Council member Bryant, seconded by Council member Jablonski, and unanimously carried, approved to un-table rezoning request CZ-OI-18-02.

b. Adoption of Ordinance 25-18, Titled: "An Ordinance Changing The Zoning Classification Of The After Described Property From Light Industrial (IL) To Conditionally Zoned Office and Institutional (CZ-OI-18-02)"

Town Manager Justin Longino presented staff's recommendations as follows: Staff feels that the proper use for this project under the new Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) definitions is an Inn which is defined as a building or a group of buildings used as a lodging establishment having 6 to 24 guest rooms providing overnight accommodations and meals to transient guest. He continued by stating that staff would recommend approval of the request listed with the condition that there be a resident manager/on-site manager 24/7.

Upon motion by Council member Williams, seconded by Council member Huffman, and unanimously carried, rezoning request CZ-OI-18-02 (Limelights) was denied.

c. Consider Consistency Statement

Upon motion by Council member Williams, seconded by Council member Jablonski, and unanimously carried, approved that the requested was denied due to the inconsistency with the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), Future Land Use Plan, and its location keeps it from being in the best interest of the public.

(Copied in full, application, draft Ord., P&Z Certification of Action Taken, Request Overview, and Site Plan is filed on CD titled: "Town Council Supporting Documents" dated February 11th and February 14th, 2019 in CD Book #1 titled: "Town Council Supporting Documents")

NEW BUSINESS

ITEM 18. APPROVAL OF AWARDING STANTEC THE CONTRACT FOR THE TROUTMAN S.W. BYPASS STUDY, (Longino)

Town Manager Longino stated that 4 proposals were submitted and evaluated for the S.W. Bypass Study with Stantec being the top recommendation. He stated that he, Town Attorney Gary Thomas, and Randy Farmer have reviewed Stantec's contract and all recommend approval.

Upon motion by Council member Henkel, seconded by Council member Huffman, and unanimously carried, approved contract with Stantec as presented.

(Copied in full, contract is attached to these minutes and is filed on CD titled: "Town Council Supporting Documents" dated February 11th and February 14th, 2019 in CD Book #1 titled: "Town Council Supporting Documents")

ITEM 19. COMMENTS FROM TOWN COUNCIL AND MAYOR

Council member Bryant

- Presented an update on CCOG stating that the 1st meeting of the new calendar year was held last night (February 13th) in Charlotte. New officer elections were held and reported that Bobby Compton of Mooresville was elected new Chair of the Board of Delegates and Statesville Councilman William Morgan was elected to the Executive Committee; each for a 1 year term. He commented that CCOG is a good organization that offers good support to municipalities.

Mayor Young

- Welcomed Janith (Jan) Huffman to the Town of Troutman Town Council.
- In getting ready to come into the spring of the year, there will be a lot of activity coming up and he is looking forward in working with staff on new/future items.

ITEM 20. COMMENTS FROM STAFF AND TOWN MANAGER

Police Chief Matthew Selves

- Announced that DARE Graduation for approximately 125 students will be held on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at Troutman Middle School. Hotdogs will be served in the cafeteria at 6pm prior to the graduation ceremony at 7pm in the gymnasium. Officer Wayne Elmore
- FYI – Coffee with a Cop – Saturday 8:30am-10am at McDonalds located at Exit 42.

Parks & Rec. Coordinator Emily Watson

- Now accepting applications for the 2019 Season Farmers Market. Farmers Market is scheduled to open May 7th.
- Sprint into Spring 5K – Saturday, March 2nd. There are currently 70 participants registered. Sponsorships are still coming in.
- Currently accepting applications for Front Porch Fest (that will be held this year at the Iredell County Fairgrounds) and for the Independence Day Festival.

Town Manager Justin Longino

- Reminder: Reception for Lt. Marty Loudermilt's Retirement, tomorrow (Friday, February 15th), 12pm – 2pm at Town Hall.
- Reminder: Citizen and Organization of the Year Nomination Forms are on the Town website. Nomination deadline is March 22nd.

ITEM 20a. CALL FOR A CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(5) TO DISCUSS ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY

Mayor Young called for a closed session pursuant to NC General Statute 143-318.11(a)(5) to discuss acquisition of property.

Along with Town Council, Mayor Young asked that Justin Longino, Town Manager, and Gary W. Thomas, Town Attorney to join the Closed Session.

Upon motion by Council member Henkel, seconded by Council member Jablonski, and unanimously carried, approved to hold a closed session pursuant NCGS 143-318.11(a)(5) to discuss acquisition of property.

Mayor Young Opened the Closed Session.

****MINUTES OF CLOSED SESSION HAVE BEEN SEALED UNTIL SUCH TIME PUBLIC INSPECTION WILL NO LONGER FRUSTRATE THE PURPOSE OF THE CLOSED SESSION****

Closing of Closed Session and Reconvene Open Session

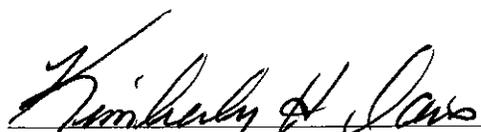
Upon motion by Council member Bryant, seconded by Council member Williams, and unanimously carried, approved to reconvene open session.

ITEM 20b. CONSIDERATION OF OFFER TO PURCHASE TOWN PROPERTY ON MASSEY STREET

No action taken. Item was not considered.

ITEM 21. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Council member Henkel, seconded by Council member Huffman, and unanimously carried, the February 14, 2019 Town Council meeting was adjourned at 8:29 pm.


Kimberly H. Davis, Town Clerk

