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**Town Council Workshop Meeting
Town of Greensboro
2.3.22**

In attendance: Town Manager Tammy Kelledees, Public Work Supervisor Brandon Cunningham, Comm. Robert Harrison, Comm. Amanda Weaver, Comm. David Spencer, Mayor Kevin Reichart, Finance Clerk Sam Geib, Cathy Spencer, Cody Cooper, Loge Knight, Jeremy Savin, Sarah Gray, Chief Billy Biddle, Public Works Allan Anthony, Planning and Codes Jaime Fowler, Michelle Williamson, Deputy Chief Glenn Ray, Pastor George Simmons, Pastor Doug Morley, Crystal Parks.

The Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kevin Reichart at 6:00 p.m. on February 3, 2022.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation led by Pastor George Simmons.

Comm. Spencer made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from January 27, 2022. Comm. Harrison seconded the motion. All in favor, minutes approved.

Greensboro Volunteer Fire Company Auxiliary

Mrs. Michelle Williamson spoke on behalf of the Auxiliary. They asked the Council if the Auxiliary could take of planning of the Greensboro Christmas Parade. It was a unanimous yes. They would like to go with a new route this year, they would start at Greensboro Supply and end at the elementary School. Everyone agreed that that would be best, as the grounds at the old fair grounds are unreliable that time of year. Mrs. Williamson asked if Sam would give her any documents or information she has from the past years. Sam said she would bring it by.

Committee and Department Reports

GVFC

Pastor George was voted as Chaplin. They had about six calls during the snow storm.

Planning & Z

The lots on Academy were discussed at the last meeting but there is nothing new yet. Tenchi is looking to paint a mural on the side of their building.

Parks Board

At the last meeting the Parks Board discussed all the events that they would like to have this year. They are planning on making Whoville bigger and better! It was a hit in 2021, hoping for an even bigger turn out in 2022. They would also still like to have Riverfest but it will only be one day and a little different from 2021. Mr. Loge Knight was also brought onto the Parks Board!

Town Manager

SERCAP will be presenting to the public when we can narrow down a date that works for everyone.

New laptops were ordered for the Council; we will test them out with Zoom with the help of Comm. Weaver. We will determine if we need to get the OWL system after setting up Zoom.

Greater Impact would like to use the “Whoville” property to have their Easter egg hunt on Easter Sunday. Comm. Spencer voiced concern about the event being on the same day as the Lions Clubs Easter event but it was confirmed they will be on different days.

We are looking to put out a sewer line RFP to replace ones that are crushed or overrun by tree roots. An engineer is going to try and determine where and what needs to be replaced. If they are unable to locate, we will have to do an RFP for a search and replace.

Public Works

Mr. Brandon Cunningham was hired as the new Public Works Supervisor. He introduced himself to the Town. Mr. Cunningham is up for the new challenge and he hopes he can help the Town succeed. His first official day was the 28th of January. He got started right away with plowing snow during the last snow storm with the help of Allan, Deputy Chief Ray and Chief Biddle. They had a grinder pump go up in Goldsboro; they were able to get the issue taken care of. There was also a clog at the East Lift Station on Sunday, that was taken care of.

Mr. Cunningham brought up that we have a lot of pumps sitting at the old treatment plant that are for Goldsboro. He would like to look into moving one of our sheds down to Goldsboro and storing the pumps there so it can cut down on all the back and forth to get the pumps fixed.

Mr. Cunningham met with Scott Getchell from GMB to discuss the projects that have been started in the past but were never completed, he is going to work with him to get everything completed.

Comm. Spencer wanted it stated for the record again that when the Council decided to post the job opening for the Public Works Supervisor, unsolicited from the Council, Mr. Cunningham voluntarily decided to resign from the town council and apply for the open position. There were no promises made between Mr. Cunningham and the Council. Comm. Spencer sat in on the five interviews and it was obvious that Mr. Cunningham was the most qualified candidate for the position. Comm. Spencer knows that in the past residents have accused the Town of “back door” hiring and firing and that is not the case this time, he just wanted to make sure we were open and honest about it to the public.

Police

Chief Biddle spoke. As the council is aware Officer LaMonica’s last day will be on Sunday. We have had several people reach out to us about the open police position but none were certified.

There is a terrorism grant from the county that needs to be used by the end of March. Chief Biddle met with the county and we are looking to get 5 AEDs, one for each police vehicle. Three and half of the AEDs would be covered by the grant, the town would make up the rest. Chief would like all town hall staff to sit in on the training as well. It is not a done deal yet; we are still waiting to see if we are going to be rewarded the grant.

New Business

Choptank Recovery- Jeremy Savin and Sarah Gray

Choptank Recovery recently purchased the old hotel from Riverside Rentals. As they take over it will be along the lines of the same thing that was there previously but with more supervision. Choptank Recovery will clinically manage their patients but not medically manage. They will have an MOU and partnership with Choptank Community Health, they will handle everything Choptank Recovery is unable to. Ms. Gray will be leading the clinical component while Jeremy will be on the management side of things. There are currently no residents while they are going through the channels to get all their licensing.

Comm. Spencer brought up that in the past a lot of residents were upset or had concerns about the recovery house going in. Comm. Spencer asked if Mr. Savin would be able to come present this to the public so they are all aware what is going to be happening.

Mr. Savin told the council there will be a screening and admissions process each candidate will have to go through, they want to make sure they are setting up each patient for success. Comm. Spencer wanted to know if each resident would have to pay their own way or if it would be state or insurance funded. Insurance would cover it; most private insurances will not cover it. Individuals start with 90 days and depending on their progress the maximum amount of time they can stay is 6 months. The patients will be able to work during their stay. Comm. Spencer had concerns about the patient’s transportation. Most of the medications will be done on site so patients will not need to travel for that. There are a lot of modes of transportation around for the

recovery house patients to utilize. They also have a good relationship with Main St Taxi. In the future they are looking to get a van to transport patients when needed. There will be 24-hour supervision on site.

Comm. Spencer asked about disciplinary measures and what steps would be. Ms. Gray stated that since most patients are there through insurance there has to be some sort of treatment plan. Ms. Gray would hope that they would be able to get to the problem before it was an issue. If there happens to be an issue, they cannot just kick the patient to the curb unless they were physically violent. If someone is struggling at their recovery house, they hope they would be able to get them in somewhere that is more suited for their needs. Comm. Spencer asked if the patients would have 24-hour freedom. Ms. Gray wanted the council to know that the patients will have freedom but not 24-hour freedom. They will have to sign in and out. There is a different level of treatment. Someone that just came to the house will not be allowed the same freedoms as someone who has been there for a while.

Comm. Spencer wanted the Mr. Savin and Ms. Gray to know he was only asking the questions that he has been asked from the public. They were both happy to answer any questions that the council or public may have. Mr. Savin wanted the council to know that things will be different from the way things were run before.

Cody Cooper- Untagged Vehicles

Mr. Cooper stated that on December 28th he had received a code violation notice in the mail about his untagged vehicle. He wanted some clarification; was the letter stating he was not allowed to have any untagged vehicles on the property? He thought he was allowed one as long as it was dismantled.

Mayor Reichart asked Planning and Codes Clerk Jaime Fowler to speak on the subject. Ms. Fowler stated that the International Code book that we follow states that you are not to have any untagged vehicles on the property unless they are under cover or in a garage. We will first send a warning letter and then if the issue is not abated, we will send a fine. She let him know that he is not the only one, she does not want him to feel singled out.

Mr. Cooper voiced his concern about the letter not stating his options, like putting it under a tarp. Mayor Reichart asked if he had contacted Town Hall with his questions when he first received the letter. He stated that he always works late so he was unable to get in contact with us but that he has contacted Brandon Cunningham when he was still apart of the council. Ms. Fowler had put multiple ways to contact her or the Town office on the letter, any concerns should be taken up with us so we can get them handled.

Mr. Cooper asked if the Council would remove the fine this one time, as he has ordered a tarp to cover it but it hasn't been delivered yet. Comm. Spencer said that if we do for one, we would have to do for all. He had plenty of time to reach out to the Town and was given a warning and time to abate the situation. Ms. Fowler let Mr. Cooper know that we are very easy people to work with, contact us with any concerns. Comm. Harrison said there needed to be better communication with the Town. Comm. Spencer told him his options are to pay the fine and fix

the violation or take it to court and let the judge decide. Mr. Cooper just asked to have the options listed in the letter so residents know what can and cannot be done. The Council and Ms. Fowler agreed that that would be possible.

Town Council Discussion

Comm. Harrison asked about the Medical Marijuana Plant that was supposed to go in out near Greensboro Supply, do we have any updates on that? Mayor Reichart stated that he contacted them and they are still going through the state to get approval.

Comm. Harrison also asked about the Baldwin property and if there have been any updates on that. They are still waiting on McCrone engineering and our engineer to figure out the sewer situation before they get started. Baldwin is looking to get moving but we need all the engineers to get on the same page. We are hoping to see ground broke by summer.

Mayor Reichart asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Comm. Harrison made a motion. Comm. Spencer seconded the motion. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 6:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Samantha Geib