Town Council

02/06/2020

In attendance: Wendy Dixon, Lyndsey Ryan, Tammy Kelledes, Jaime Fowler, Billy Biddle, & Bill Lesmerises.

Commissioner Cunningham, Harrison, Mackey, Knight, and Mayor Reichart.

Public: Ahmet Denya, Hermit Bozart, Joe Rilley, & Rich Covert.

Mayor Kevin Reichart called the meeting to order @ 7PM. Pastor Randolph did a blessing then the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Reichart referenced an issue that was discussed in last closed session that Lyndsey needed to gather the paper work from to give to him at next meeting.

Commissioner Mackey motioned to accept the minutes from the last two Town Council Meetings, Commissioner Cunningham seconded it.

Approval of Minutes

Agenda Items: 402 W Sunset:

Mrs. Zhu thanked everyone for their hard work at the Town Office. She explained how she recently purchased 402. She likes the land and architecture. She wants to make it a green living place, and restore the house. She feels it would be beneficial to the public. She plans to grow a lot of fruit trees and vegetables. It would be Eco/Green living. The water cholesterol currently has been quite high, which affects the green living so she needs a well drilled. If the town would agree she would like to drill a well. She spoke to the County about it and they agreed to do an irrigation well. She stated she would need written approval from the TOG and wants to disconnect from the drinking water. Prefers only one well system. She also wanted to offer to give the TOG $500 in a donation each year to be used in a green project if they would do this for her. Commissioner Mackey explained to her that she cannot unhook her water from the town. Commissioner Cunningham explained to her if we did the well we can’t monitor how much water she uses, or how much the sewer is being used. Lyndsey and Commissioner Cunningham suggested that they needed more information and to follow up discussion at the next workshop meeting. Commissioner Harrison also said we need more information. Lyndsey said she would contact the county. Mayor Reichart told her that we would revisit this issue in two weeks at the next meeting and invited her back. She ended it by explaining that this is not just for herself but to better the town.

517 W Sunset:

This was a tax sale home last year and there was one mobile home and one regular home on the lot. There was a fire to the garage and mobile home, which was not fixable. The new owner came to town hall and the council said no new mobile homes are allowed to be put in town. In his opinion “he bought it with a mobile home on it so it’s not his fault.” Town Manager Wendy explained the Town rules to him again. Mayor Reichart suggested he build another small home just like the size of the old mobile home but he could do a smaller home with a foundation. Customer was happy about that resolution.

317 Bernard:

Customer wants his penalties back because Jeanette promised she would help him with that. Wendy reviewed it with him and the council is going to continue to review it. He also was invited back to the next meeting to further discuss and find a solution.

States Attorney Joseph Riley:

Discussed new Case Management System, will be working with Town Police. This new system can pull reports for each Town, makes it easy to send them by just emailing them. He stated this would help us because “Greensboro is so up and down with crime cases.”

GVFD:

Brought up upcoming Saturday night banquet, which will host the elections. Discussed how a lot of their calls are Medical Assist, and that he is going to go to the county about getting a full-time paid position for this. Said that the Medic Station should be done in March. Also, that they have paid off the Comm Hall which took only four years to do. They are working on bids for self-contained breathing equipment, trying to be proactive in knowing that they need a new one.

Planning Comm:

Dollar General store is progressing. Crystal Anders applied with the committee and interviewed them to see if she could be approved to be on the board. Commissioner Mackey motioned and Commissioner E. Knight seconded, all in favor say I, I.

Commissioner E. Knight has questions about the Park Board employees. He stated that before the Town employees didn’t attend those meetings because it was too costly. He believes it should be all on the volunteers. He asked if we should continue to have Sam take the minutes at the Park meetings since it is not in her job description. The council decided to discuss this more at the next meeting. Commissioner Cunningham stated that he believes our website sucks. And Commissioner Knight then stated that he thinks we should be giving that to the people on the Parks Board to update it.

Public Works: See Attached.

Billy Biddle added to the above touching on how the Historical Society is now cleaned. And said the office is about 90% clean. Commissioner Cunningham stated that the storm drains by the state haven’t been cleaned.

Police: See attached.

Town Manager Report: See Attached.

Commissioner Mackey asked about the siding on all sides of this building. Also asked about the chimney leak.

Old Business:

Baldwin issue; Commissioner Cunningham thanked Wendy for finding an old email, about pipe damage, and stated how there is a tree growing on top of it. 512 Bernard was not completed. Lyndsey said that the engineers have stated in their findings that it always has flooded. The SWAIL was the only thing that was required to be done. Commissioner Cunningham said the SWAIL would fix most of the problem but it needs to be cleared. They are required to clean it and add a SWAIL. They haven’t done any work, but Lyndsey said its always going to flood. Wendy thinks they fixed it but in the wrong spot. Lyndsey said she can send a simple letter. Billy said at one point it was built up more, and that there is SILK fence that is there that should have been taken out.

New Business: Rich Old business; asked if people are still not paying for sewer on Baldwin? Lyndsey said she is working on it; still digging through past records.

Bills:

Bills were reviewed.

Wendy discussed how she has not got confirmation back on the letter she sent to Academy. Rich stated 407 is getting cleaned up.

Mayor Reichart motioned for adjournment of the meeting and to go into executive session; Commissioner Mackey motioned, Commissioner Harrison Seconded it.

Respectably prepared by: Jaime Fowler