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Town Council Meeting Town of Greensboro 08.04.22

In attendance: Comm. David Spencer, Comm. Robert Harrison, Comm. Amanda Weaver, Comm. Pete Brelia, Mayor Kevin Reichart, Attorney Lyndsey Ryan, Town Manager Tammy Kelledes, Public Works Supervisor Brandon Cunningham, Community Outreach/Main Street Coordinator Angel Perez, Administrative Clerk Vanice L. Myers, Pastor George Simmons, Pastor Doug Morley – Greater Impact Church, Rich Covert – GVFD, William Schaffner - GHS

The public hearing was called to order by Mayor Kevin Reichart at 6:00 p.m. on August 4, 2022.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation – Pastor George Simmons.

Approval of July 21, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Mayor Reichart asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Commissioner Harrison made a motion. Commissioner Brelia seconded the motion. All in favor. Meeting minutes approved.

Greater Impact Church Proclamation

Mayor Reichart and the Town of Greensboro presented a proclamation to Greater Impact Church in honor of their years of exceptional leadership to the community and in recognition of their three-year anniversary.

Department Reports

Town Manager

Mrs. Kelledes has decided to go with Paycom as the new company for payroll.

Mrs. Kelledes went over the job postings and interviews for Finance Clerk, Police Officer and Public Works Technician. For Public Works: conducted background checks on two candidates; Police Officer: ongoing; and Finance Clerk interviews are being conducted.

Town Manager, Mrs. Kelledes met with Scott and Brandon about the I&I RFP. Only one bid was submitted and the proposal was too expensive. After further discussions, the decision was made to pull the RFP and have Public Works complete the sewer inspection and cleaning process.

Mrs. Kelledes put out an RFP for IT services which was advertised in August 2, 2022 and will close on August 26, 2022.

Mrs. Kelledes provided proposals to the Mayor and Council from NewGen Strategies & Solutions and Davis, Bowen & Fridel (DBF). Still no information available from SERCAP or Maryland Center for Environmental Training.

Commissioner Spencer made a motion to accept the bid from Davis, Bowen & Fridel. Mayor Reichart asked if anyone would second the motion. Commissioner Weaver second the motion. All in favor.

Mrs. Kelledes is also working on a priority list to submit to Senator Cardin for Fiscal Year '24 Congressional Directed Spending (earmarks). The list to include:

- WWTP expansion funding (with Leslie Grunden)
- Streets

Police Department

July Stats are as follows below:

- 45 traffic stops
- 67 violations
- 11 incident reports
- 5 arrests

Officer Christopher responded to a body found but was later determined to be on the County property. This is being considered possibly an unintended overdose.

Chief Biddle provided a copy of an invoice from the Caroline County Drug Task Force. He attended the meeting and it was suggested to provide a copy to the Mayor and Council.

Commissioner Brelia wanted to make a motion to hire two police officers because additional manpower will be needed with the new development. The decision was made to put out an advertisement for a certified officer with a sign on bonus per Mayor Reichart and another advertisement for an uncertified officer. Commissioner Spencer states we should be collecting applications 365 days a year so that when the need is there, we can pull from the applicant pool.

Chief Biddle explained that there were some bicycle incidents. Officer Christopher has visited the homes of those who were noted doing some activities and the parents were not pleased so he is keeping a watch out for that.

Public Works

Public Works Supervisor Brandon Cunningham reported the following:

- Mr. Rooter helped repair sewer line issue on School Street
- Millings were added to the driveways at Jesse Sutton Park and Police Station
- Cleared brush around town and making signs more visible
- Assisted Rick Breeding with the fixing of WWTP outfall discharge
- Power washed WWTP building
- Met with survey crew at Choptank and Memorial Park. They will find property lines and complete paperwork and drawings
- The guys have been working on grass cutting, painting various Town buildings and brush pick up. They also completed street cleaning with the street sweeping attachment and painted meeting hall.
- RS&J out of Easton fixed water valve at Church and Main and also replaced fire hydrant on Church St. They moved the hydrant back a little way so that it was not on the sidewalk.
- Cleared overgrown bushes and trees at 407 W Sunset and also trimmed some limbs around town to help with grass cutting.

Parks Board/Community Outreach & Main Street Coordinator

Mr. Angel Perez provided the following information of meetings and opportunities to come:

• Choptank Community Health

- o Mobile Dental Service twice a year
- Health Clinics including providing sports physicals

Greensboro Historical Society

- o Will help them with advertising including their Golf tournament
- o Connect with GES and MRDC Head Start

• Caroline County Council of Arts

- o Art Project "We Are Greensboro"
- o Riverfest sponsorship and Whoville participation

• Truist Bank

- o Financial Literacy Food Program
- o Collaboration with "We are Greensboro"

Mr. Perez advised that they are looking for two new candidates for the Parks Board and the next meeting is August 10, 2022 at 6pm. They are looking forward to updating and reviewing the bylaws.

Mr. Rich Covert advised if at any time Mr. Perez needs to get the information out to the community he can utilize the Fire Department Billboard. The information will need to be sent to Mr. Covert to be uploaded. Mr. Bill Schaffner suggested that when going over social media that they have someone from the outside assist because we tend to look at things over and over that might make sense to us by not the general public.

Planning Commission

Plans for Kinnamon Meadows were taken at the Caroline County Health Department and that has not gone well. McCrone took the plans there to be signed off on and a list has been sent to Mike from Peter and no updates since.

GVFD

Mr. Covert states that you can now see the river! There will be two Tractor Pulls held:

- September 24
- October 29 benefits the Chester River Shriners Club

Old Business

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Town Manager, Mrs. Tammy Kelledes spoke about this under New Business.

Trash Contract

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Mayor Reichart asked for a motion to approve Safehouse as the Town's new security company. Commissioner Harrison made a motion. Commissioner Spencer seconded the motion. All in favor. Safehouse proposal approved.

New Business

Street Repairs

Street repairs are to stay on the agenda under New Business.

Review Bills

No comments.

Town Council Remarks

Commissioner Brelia would like to thank the Public Works crew for getting work done in a timely manner with an open vacancy.

Mayor Reichart thanked all the employees and he is thankful for the direction we are headed in. Thank you to all the other organizations for coming out; it shows great partnerships.

Mayor Reichart asked for a motion to adjourn the regular meeting to go into closed session to obtain legal guidance and obtain advice on personnel issues at 7:07pm. Commission Spencer made a motion. Commissioner Weaver seconded the motion. Moving to closed session.

Mayor Reichart asked for a motion to come out of closed session at 7:42 p.m.; Commissioner Weaver made a motion and Commissioner Spencer seconded the motion.

Mayor Reichart stated that the Council received legal advice and guidance on a personnel issue.

In open session, the Mayor and Council decided no action at this time. Mayor Reichert asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Commissioner Brelia and seconded by Commissioner Weaver.

Respectfully submitted by Vanice L. Myers.