



David Spencer, Mayor
Tammy Kelledees, Town Manager/Clerk

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Town Council Meeting
Town of Greensboro
5.16.24

In attendance: Mayor Spencer, Commissioner Pete Brelia, Commissioner Bob Harrison, Commissioner Joe Noon, Commissioner Christina Robinson, Town Manager Tammy Kelledees, Chief Lenox Trams, Public Supervisor Brandon Cunningham, Community Outreach/Main Street Coordinator Amanda Weaver, Town Attorney assistant Carly Landolfi.

Residents in attendance: Chris Mason, Kenny Burk, Terri Christopher, Tom and Lisa Chandler, Rich Covert, William Schaffner, Timothy Dalton, Paula Turner, Robert Mantell, Richard Hood.

Zoom: Amy Birdsall and Charles

Mayor Spencer called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Spencer asked for approval of May 2, 2024, minutes.

Motion made by Commissioner Joe Noon to approve the May 2, 2024, minutes which were seconded by Commissioner Harrison. All in favor.

Introduction of Ordinances

Mayor Spencer introduced Ordinance 2024-0-3 Adopting general and enterprise budgets for fiscal year 2025 along with the tax rate, which was introduced by Commissioner Harrison.

Mayor Spencer also introduced Ordinance 2024-O-4 establishing rates for water and sewer customers effective July 1, 2024, which was introduced by Commissioner Noon.

Motion made by Commissioner Noon to introduce both 2024-O-3 and 2024-O-4 and the public hearing for both to be held June 3 at 6 pm. Motion seconded by Commissioner Harrison. All in favor.

Public comment

Mayor Spencer told everyone that we are going to adhere to the rules that have been in place forever which is consistent with all local government in this area, and we are limiting comments to 3 minutes per person.

- Chris Mason –
 - Petition for community pool that he has given to Mrs. Weaver
 - Budget discussion on amounts moved around and depleting the police department.
- Mr. Bill Schaffner
 - Not in favor of eliminating the PD department –
 - Would like to see salaries as one line item – subtotaled by position.
 - Motions should be made very clear and repeated back so people know what the actual motion is.
- Mr. Timothy Dalton
 - The park being built (North County Park) is a sanctity for natural herbs and medicines and he would ask that we preserve a part of that. Mrs. Kellede asked for a list so she can email the county. Mayor Spencer suggested he go to Parks and Recreation for the county. He also said the council should to listen to Mr. Mason.
- Tom Chandler –
 - Asks for a breakdown for the public of line items such as salaries and IT. He does IT and Commissioner Noon asked him to share his contact information with Mrs. Kellede.
 - Suggestion to see if trash can be a choice for residents and Mrs. Kellede said that we are looking into that now. Commissioner Noon asked for an answer within the next 2 meetings for that.
- Rich Covert
 - He was comparing last year and this year’s budget to which Mayor Spencer said public hearing for budget hearing is June 3.

Department Reports

Town Manager Tammy Kellede gave the following report:

- Most of her time is consumed by the budget and w/s rates and incorporating to get other operator to get things turned around at the WWTP as suggested.
- Looked at funding possibilities through MD Rural Water so they are helping to get an apprentice that would fall under new operator license. Goal to bring plant operations under town management.
 - Mayor Spencer asked when we must have a decision for the new operator of the plant. Ms. Landolfi said the sooner the better.
 - Add to June 6 Agenda.

Mr. Schaffner asked about details on the WWTP operator bids. The Mayor and Mrs. Kellede explained that if we go with the higher bid, we have negotiated that our employee will work with them for training and the contract will be less. Mr. Schaffner asked for more detailed information.

Town Attorney Assistant Landolfi had nothing new to report.

Chief Trams of the Police Department gave the following report:

- There were many complaints about traffic on W Sunset from Main, so from May 1 to May 15, they made 23 stops, mostly for speeding.
- 3 emergency petitions for mental health issues.
- A couple of other traffic stops that were not on Sunset.

Commissioner Noon said that residents have asked him if he or Officer Smith can be at the elementary school during bus drop off and pick up times. He said they will do what they can. The mayor also suggested having a meeting with the state highway for their thoughts.

Mr. Mason asked for an update on speed cameras. Chief Trams said he is looking into 3 companies looking into. There was discussion on cameras only being allowed in School Zones. There are children home schooled on Bernard and the Baptist Church as well as St. Peter and Paul have a school program. Mayor Spencer asked that the Chief pick the best of the 3 bids to have them present to the council.

Public Works Supervisor Brandon Cunningham gave the following report:

- USG came out and with Glenn went around to 18 meters with MTU issues –
- He is working with Rob Morales on the Water Tower behind Save-A-Lot being painted.
- Monday there is the smoke test which may push brush back a day.
- Working with code enforcement – 33 violations of which 18 were grass.
 - They gave a lot of leniencies because of rain for the grass violations.
 - The first one is just a warning of 10 days.

Mr. Dalton spoke about our employee working with the WWPT company and he doesn't think that will work due to insurance issues.

Mr. Bill Schaffner said that around 2 weeks ago he called public works on a Monday morning and within ½ hour they were there and within 1 – ½ hours it was fixed – thank you! Mr. Dalton also thanked Brandon for helping find part of their water problem.

Community Outreach/Main St Coordinator Amanda Weaver gave the following report:

- Basketball with the council was fantastic and she will post pictures.
- Working on finishing 3 grants
- She and Brandon helped with Aaron's place unloading pallets and they gave us some extra things for the pantry.
- She had conversations with CC Parks and Recs and discussed a community pool.
 - Due to restrictions, we would need over \$1 million – but they are working with us on a Community Parks and Playgrounds Grant for potential splash pads which would happen closer to 2026 because of grant cycles. Commissioner Noon and Commissioner Robinson (when on the Parks Board) brought it up years ago and they had looked at the one in Federalsburg.
 - Mrs. Weaver gave the proposal for the boat ramp to Jaime Beechy who will apply for about \$100K. Hoping in 2026 it will be built up and repaved.

Mr. Chandler asked for the re-lining of the court. Pickleball discussion. We were led to believe it was lined correctly. Mayor Spencer asked him to get with Mrs. Weaver.

The mayor also asked to work on a walking trail to connect senior league park through new development to Ober and back. Mrs. Kelledees said it is in the works.

GVFC President Rich Covert gave the following report:

- Yesterday he and Chief Harvey picked up the new command vehicle (2023 Tahoe) to be put into service in the middle of next week.
- Tractor pull was cancelled and the next events coming up are the carnival then rodeo, and next tractor pull in September. Working on showing some drive-in movies.

- Building addition: working on sprinkler system and foaming to put in the walk-in coolers.
- Commissioner Noon asked how much it is to rent the hall. \$700 for a 4-hour rental with a refundable \$300 security deposit. Some discussion from the residents. Mrs. Weaver said that in her experience with families at the funeral home, they thought it was a reasonable rate.
 - She also said that the Chamber of Commerce for Caroline County will also start promoting the Fire Company too.

Old Business – none

New Business - none

Mayor Spencer asked for a motion to amend the agenda to introduce a resolution to allow us to apply for a grant application for partial funding for the Community Outreach Position for \$50,000.

Motion made to amend the agenda to introduce the resolution to allow us to apply for a grant application for partial funding for the Community Outreach Position for \$50,000 made by Commissioner Brelia and seconded by Commissioner Noon. All in favor.

Motion made for Resolution -01 to allow us to apply for a grant application for partial funding for the Community Outreach Position of \$50,000 made by Commissioner Brelia and seconded by Commission Harrison. All in favor.

Town Council Discussion and Remarks - None

Motion made by Commissioner Noon to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Commissioner Brelia at Joe to adjourn/Pete 6:50 pm. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Dawn Parks.