



**TOWN OF GRANITE QUARRY
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES
Monday, July 2, 2018**

Present: Mayor Bill Feather, Mayor Pro Tem Jim LaFevers, Alderman John Linker, and Alderman Kim Cress, Alderman Jim Costantino

Staff: Mr. Phil Conrad – Town Manager, Ms. Tanya Word – Town Clerk/HR Officer, Mr. Scott Stewart – Deputy Clerk/Finance/HR Analyst, Mr. Jason Hord – Maintenance Supervisor, Ms. Shelly Shockley – Finance Analyst/Event Coordinator, Mr. Steve Blount – Town Planner, Mr. Chip Short– Town Attorney, Mr. Richard Tester – Police Officer

Guests: There were three guests present.

Call to Order: Mayor Feather called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Moment of Silence: Mayor Feather opened the meeting with a moment of silence after mentioning the passing of Hilton Lingle this week and that flowers were sent to the funeral.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Feather led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the Agenda:

Mayor Feather requested two changes to the agenda; adding the Rowan Municipal Meeting under the Mayor's notes and discussion of Performance Reviews of the Town Manager and Town Clerk in Closed Session.

ACTION: Alderman Linker made a motion to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of the two additions requested by the Mayor. Alderman Cress seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Approval of the Consent Agenda:

ACTION: Mayor Pro Tem LaFevers made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Alderman Costantino seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

Guests and Presentations

There were no guest presentations.

Town Manager's Update

- a. **Fish 4 Fun:** Ms. Shockley reported that Saturday June 23 the fishing event at Granite Lake Park had 43 children participating.
- b. **ARC of Rowan Fish 4 Fun:** Wednesday June 27 the ARC of Rowan fishing event for adults with disabilities included 23 participants with 6 staff members assisting. Mayor Pro Tem LaFevers added that 7 of the large catfish were caught during the event.

The next Town event is a Concert in the Park on August 25. Mr. Stewart has been assisting with coordination. There will be 3 local bands and are working toward getting food trucks involved for the event. Alderman Costantino mentioned appreciation for the effort coordinating events and suggested that maybe the Town could invest in some additional fishing poles for the fishing events.

Old Business

- a. **Board and Committee Applications** – The deadline for applications has been extended to provide an opportunity to continue with recruiting efforts. Ms. Word reviewed the list of open committee positions including the following:

Planning Board – 1 regular Town position, 2 ETJ positions, and 1 ETJ alternate
Zoning Board of Adjustments (ZBA) – 2 regular Town positions, and 1 ETJ

Mayor Feather requested that the Clerk email the list of open positions to Board members for use as they work toward identifying potential committee members. Ms. Word asked for some potential dates that the Board would be available to interview applicants for committees. There are some questions about term limits and whether members can be reappointed. Alderman Cress mentioned that there had been discussion about combining the Planning Board and ZBA. Alderman Linker stated that he was opposed to combining the two because it would eliminate a potential pool of citizens that might participate, preferring to encourage more people to get involved.

b. **Cold Storage** – Letter of Request and Resolution 2019-01

Scott Shelton of Rowan EDC spoke about the infrastructure funding needs for the project. There are funds potentially available from the NCDOT. During Mr. Shelton's discussion with NCDOT he understood that approximately \$140,000 would more than likely be available to help pay for the road. There is also another grant that could assist further. Mayor Pro Tem LaFevers asked Mr. Shelton if the Resolution would create any commitment by the Town to fund the project if the grant is not received. Mr. Shelton replied that the Town contribution would only occur if the project moves forward. The Resolution would state that if NCDOT awards the Town \$140,000 for the project that the Town is responsible for the remaining dollars owed on the project. There also is a rural infrastructure grant that has been applied for, however that is a different pool of money, with the NCDOT funds being only for the road. If both grants are received, it would reduce the potential cost to the Town.

Mayor Feather asked if there are any concerns about the transfer of ownership regarding the road. Mr. Shelton replied that this was now an extension of a Town road, and he expected no concerns other than the requirement for the Town to acquire easements.

ACTION: Alderman Linker made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-01. Mayor Pro Tem LaFevers seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

New Business & Action Items

Disposal of Maintenance Surplus Property – Mr. Hord presented that the items being disposed of are no longer functional. Alderman Linker asked about the request that funds from sale go into a small tool fund. Mayor Feather confirmed that sales would be on GovDeals.

ACTION: Alderman Costantino made a motion to proceed with disposing of Maintenance surplus items. Alderman Cress seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Board Comments

There were no further comments from the Board.

Mayor's Notes

Mayor Feather reviewed the upcoming schedule of events, also adding the Rowan Municipal Meeting on July 26 stating it was important to go due to voting being held at that meeting. It will be held at Trinity Oaks and the Clerk needs to RSVP for all attending by July 13. All five Board members stated that they plan to attend.

Mayor's Action

Closed Session:

Mayor Pro Tem LaFevers made a motion at 7:24 PM to go into closed session pursuant to N.C. General Statute Section 143-318.11(a)(6) for personnel issues. Alderman Costantino seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Mayor Pro Tem LaFevers made a motion to come out of closed session at 7:40 PM pursuant to N.C. General Statute 143-319.11(a)(6) for personnel issues. Alderman Costantino seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor. The Board took no action in closed session.

Adjournment

Mayor Pro Tem LaFevers made a motion at 7:41 PM to recess the meeting and reconvene on July 24, 2018 at 3:00 PM to address personnel appraisals. Alderman Linker seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Stewart

Deputy Clerk