

Minutes
Of the
Spring Hope Board of Commissioners Meeting
November 13, 2006
7:00 pm

Members present: Mayor Buddy Gwaltney, Commissioners Marion Clark, Stanley Hawley, Bill Newkirk, Clyde Best and Lee Bissett.

Also present: John Holpe, Town Manager; Mark Edwards, Town Attorney; Ken Ripley, Spring Hope Enterprise; Amelia Harper, Nashville Graphic.

Mayor Gwaltney opened the meeting.

Commissioner Clark made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 9, 2006. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hawley made a motion to go into a Public Hearing. Commissioner Newkirk seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

After some discussion, Commissioner Hawley made a motion to come out of the Public Hearing and go back to the regular session. Commissioner Newkirk seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Holpe, Town Manager stated that the Planning Commissions ' requested and recommended to amend Section 304 and 504 of the Towns Zoning Ordinance in order to ensure quality residential development that is consistent with existing residential building and architectural found in the town; and to clarify the verbiage pertaining to modular homes. Commissioner Hawley made a motion to approve the amended ordinances. Commissioner Newkirk seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Gerrelene Walker, CPA gave a presentation of the audit for fiscal year 2005-2006.

There had been a discussion to close a portion of Elm Street in recent years. Commissioner Best made a motion to advertise for a Public Hearing regarding an ordinance formally closing a portion of Elm Street, Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hawley made a motion to approve a Landscape Agreement with the Department of Transportation regarding beautification of Interchanges of two Spring Hope exits on Highway 64. The Department of Transportation will develop the landscape design and prepare the landscape plans and specifications in accordance with the Department of Transportation policies procedures for highways. The Department of Transportation will prepare the site and furnish and install the plantings. After completion of the project, the Department of Transportation will notify the town to assume all responsibility for all maintenances and replacement of new landscape materials. Maintenance will include watering, mulching, pruning, fertilizer, weeding, pest control, mowing and replacing dead plants. Commissioner Hawley made a motion to approve the Landscape Agreement with the Department of Transportation. Commissioner Newkirk seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Best made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Division of Water Quality and the Tar Pamlico Basin Association. Commissioner Bissett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

There was a discussion regarding a request from the Chamber of Commerce for the town to assist with a couple of things: Wiring cost for six additional poles for additional Christmas decorations that the Chamber will buy for approximately \$ 1,000 and to assist with painting cost to paint the auditorium at the Spaulding Center for approximately \$1,100 with the Chamber buying the paint. Commissioner Best stated he would contact Bruce Hinton with Progress Energy to wire the additional poles.

Commissioner Best made a motion to approve a budget adjustment for these requests. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Best made a motion to declare a Heat Pump at the existing Town Hall Building, and a Air Conditioner Unit at the Spring Hope Museum as surplus property. He also added to the list. anything surplus before the building is demolished. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hawley made a motion for Mark Edwards, Town Attorney to draw up an Ordinance concerning residents without water and sewer services. Commissioner Bissett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hawley made a motion to approve amending the ORDINANCE, CHAPTER VII GENERAL ADMINISTRATION "PUBLIC HEALTH" Section 4.1 Penalties for Violation of Section 4. Civil Penalty in the amount of \$100.00. Violators shall be issued a written citation which must be paid within three (3) days of issuance
CHAPTER X GENERAL ADMINISTRATION "NUISANCES" Section 15. Penalties for Violation of sections 8 (c) and (13). Civil penalty in the amount of \$50.00. Violators shall be issues a written citation which must be paid with three (3) days of issuance.
CHAPTER VI GENERAL ADMINISTRATION "TRAFFIC REGULATIONS" Section 18. Penalties for Violation of Section 15, 16, and 17. Civil penalty in the amount of \$50, 00. Violators shall be issued a written citation which must be paid within three (3) days of issuance.

Commissioner Bissett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hawley made a motion to approve amending the ORDINANCE, CHAPTER IX, GENERAL ADMINISTRATION "PRIVILEGE LICENSES" Section 10 Penalties for Violation of any section in Chapter IX. Civil penalty in the amount of \$50.00. Violators shall be issue a written citation which must be paid within 3 days of issuance. Commissioner Newkirk seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mark Edwards, Town Attorney stated he drafted a proposed ordinance regulating peddling and soliciting on private property. Commissioner Clark made a motion that we tabled that ordinance until another date. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Holpe, Town Manager stated that he met with David Harris and John Holland concerning Drainage grant for JHRG.

Mr. Holpe, Town Manager stated that he would call for a special meeting on the Annexation Study. the first or middle of December. Commissioner Clark suggested that we wait until January.

Police Chief, Tim Denton gave an update on the Police Department. He stated that he advertise for a Police Officer.

There being no further business, Commissioner Bissett made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.