

**Town of Garner  
Town Council Meeting Minutes  
February 5, 2018**

The Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. in the Garner Town Hall located at 900 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:** Mayor Ronnie Williams

Mayor Ronnie Williams, Mayor Pro Tem Ken Marshburn, Council Member Kathy Behringer, Council Member Jackie Johns, Council Member Buck Kennedy, and Council Member Gra Singleton

Staff Present: Rodney Dickerson-Town Manager, Matt Roylance-Asst. Town Manager-Operations, Rick Mercier-Communications Manager, Brandon Zuidema-Police Chief, Jeff Triezenberg-Planning Director, David Bamford-Planning Services Manager, William E. Anderson-Town Attorney, and Stella Gibson-Town Clerk

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Council Member Jackie Johns

**INVOCATION:** Council Member Jackie Johns

**PETITIONS AND COMMENTS**

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion: Marshburn  
Second: Johns  
Vote: Unanimous

**PRESENTATIONS**

Council Member Behringer presented a Proclamation declaring the month of February 2018 as Black History Month.

Mr. Elmo Vance of the MLK Celebration Committee presentation of the MLK Dream in Action Award to Kathy Taylor.

**CONSENT**

**Ordinance Amending FY2017/2018 Operating Budget (Benefits Study Contract)**

Presenter: Pam Wortham, Finance Director

Pursuant to the discussion held during the Council Retreat in November, Human Resources staff contracted with a company to provide an in-depth review of the Town's employee benefits package. This budget amendment will appropriate \$7,900 from fund balance to cover the cost of the contract.

Action: Adopt Ordinance (2018) 3899

**Resolution Declaring Unpaid Nuisance Abatements as Liens**

Presenter: Pam Wortham, Finance Director

This Resolution authorizes unpaid nuisance abatement fees to be filed with Wake County Revenue as liens to real property and added to the property owner's tax bill. The properties listed have unpaid abatements more than 30 days old.

Action: Adopt Resolution (2018) 2344

**Town Appointee to the Fire Department Board of Directors**

Presenter: Rodney Dickerson, Town Manager

Ms. Nancy Anderson was appointed by the Town Council to the Fire Department Board of Directors with a term expiration of Nov. 18, 2017. She has requested reappointment as the Town Appointee for an additional 2-year term.

Action: Authorize Reappointment

Motion: Johns  
Second: Singleton  
Vote: Unanimous

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Mayor Williams stated the following requests were for a quasi-judicial hearing and two annexations and asked the Town Attorney to explain the procedures to be followed during the hearings. The Clerk administered the Affirmation of Oath to the following: Jeff Triezenberg and Pamela Porter.

Mayor Williams asked the Council to disclose any exparte communications regarding these projects. Hearing none, Mayor Williams opened the public hearing and asked Mr. Triezenberg to provide the staff report.

**Conditional Use Permit CUP-SP-17-30, Saad Building**

Mr. Triezenberg stated this request was for conditional use site plan approval for a flex space building located at the intersection of Raynor Road and Bricksteel Lane.

Ms. Porter was in attendance to answer any questions regarding the request.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Williams closed the public hearing and called for a motion.

Action: Approve CUP-SP-17-30

Motion: Kennedy  
Second: Behringer  
Vote: Unanimous

**Annexation Petition ANX 17-08, Springfield Baptist Church**

Mayor Williams opened the public hearing and asked David Bamford to provide the staff report.

Mr. Bamford stated this request from Springfield Baptist Church requesting annexation in order to connect to public water connection along Auburn-Knightdale Road.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Williams closed the public hearing and called for a motion.

Action: Adopt Ordinance (2018) 3900

Motion: Singleton

Second: Kennedy

Vote: Unanimous

### **Annexation Petition, Hebron Church Road**

Mayor Williams opened the public hearing and asked David Bamford to provide the staff report.

Mr. Bamford stated the Town purchased the property at 8101 Hebron Church Road (5.7 acres) in 2017 to provide future public street access to the 115-acre Meadowbrook site, which has already been annexed. This separate tract on Hebron Church Road also needed to be annexed.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Williams closed the public hearing and called for a motion.

Action: Adopt Ordinance (2018) 3901

Vote: Kennedy

Second: Singleton

Vote: Unanimous

### **NEW/OLD BUSINESS**

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Council Member Kennedy reported the ad hoc committee working on the Memorandum of Understanding with the GVFR was scheduled to meet tomorrow.

### **MANAGER REPORTS**

- garner info
- United Way end of campaign lunch tomorrow at White Deer Park

### **ATTORNEY REPORTS**

## **COUNCIL REPORTS**

### Behringer

- Reported standing water near the railroad tracks on East Garner near Vandora. Mr. Dickerson responded this area falls within the jurisdiction of NCDOT and staff had contacted them on multiple occasions to report the problem.
- Asked for an update on the possibility of removing the turn lane on Creech Road. Mr. Dickerson responded staff met to draft a letter to outline available options and considerations. Council requested these options as well as costs be provided.

### Marshburn

- YMCA ribbon cutting scheduled for February 22

### Singleton

- Expressed appreciation to those who worked during the recent snow events

### Kennedy

- Asked that Tony Chalk attend the next meeting and provide an update on the construction of the Rec Center.

Council Member Johns had nothing to report.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Pursuant to N.C. General Statutes Section 143-318.11(a)(5) to discuss possible real estate acquisition and the Town's negotiating position regarding such real estate".

**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT:** 8:11 p.m.