

Minutes of Town of Woodfin Board of Alderman

Regular Meeting of August 16, 2016

Pre-meeting 6:30 pm; Regular Meeting 7:00 pm

Be it remembered: That the Board of Alderman met in regular session on Tuesday, August 16, 2016 at the Woodfin Town Hall Boardroom, Woodfin, North Carolina at 7:00 pm. The following town business was conducted:

Mayor Jerry VeHaun, called the pre-meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. with the following board members present:

Jackie Bryson

Don Hensley

Ronnie Lunsford

Jim Angel

Debbie Giezentanner

The agenda was read by Mayor VeHaun and approved with one change to the spelling of a citizen's name from last month's meeting, Mr. Bill Neireemer.

The pre-meeting was adjourned at 6:37 pm and it was announced that the regular meeting would begin at approximately 7:00 pm.

Mayor VeHaun called the regular meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

The Invocation was led by Alderman Jackie Bryson.

Approval of the agenda - Motion was made by Alderman Jim Angel and seconded by Alderman Ronnie Lunsford. All votes affirmative.

Approval of the minutes – Motion was made by Alderman Debbie Gienzentanner and seconded by Jackie Bryson. All votes affirmative.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor VeHaun opened the floor for discussion on matters of concern to the public.

Eleanor Floyd of 49 Audubon Drive addressed the board in reference to 45 Audubon Drive and the R 21 zoning regulations and the Short Term Rental Ordinance of the Town of Woodfin. Mrs. Floyd read a letter that she and her husband wrote reference their concerns about the R 21 zoning regulations. They have concerns about multiple cars and people who on a daily basis come in and out of their neighborhood that are not permanent residents. This is affecting the

quality of life for Mrs. Floyd and others who live in the area. She mentioned the property owners of 45 Audubon and their attorney, Derek Allen, and that going to court may be in the future to resolve these issues.

Mary Jennings, who lives in the neighborhood questioned if the owner of 45 Audubon would have to have a privilege license to operate a short term rental. The town cannot require a privilege license as they are no longer a requirement.

Kathy Johnston of 44 Audubon has concerns about parking in the area and the potential for new apartments to be built. Have the results from the traffic study been released? The town does not have a copy of the study yet. It may include an extra turning lane but no results as of this time.

Nancy Wallis of 46 Audubon requests the enforcement of R 21 ordinance.

Peter McGuire of 25 Audubon stated he hears loud noise late into the night, he has noticed an increase in traffic recently and questions will the town fine the owners of the property at 45 Audubon?

Katherine Heath of 53 Audubon asked how will the ordinance be enforced? Jason Young, Town Administrator, stated it would be handled through civil means.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Presentation of a Petition Seeking Voluntary Annexation of 36 and 38 Ben Lippen Road.** Motion made by Alderman Debbie Giezentanner and seconded by Alderman Don Hensley. Motion carried.
- 2. Presentation of a Certificate of Sufficiency for Same.**
- 3. Consideration of a Resolution Establishing a Date for a Public Hearing on a Proposed Annexation.**

Reports

Police: Lt. Dykes spoke. Officers are working on training for PTSD response. There was an attempted armed robbery at the Ingles and the officers were able to detain the subject. Great work on the parts of Sergeant Messina and Officer West. There continues to be an increase for calls for service. Lt. Dykes attended the opening for the family Justice Center and the police department is becoming involved with the Buncombe County Rescue task force. Last month there were 17 arrests, 29 crashes and 5 hit and run.

Storm Water: Town Administrator, Jason Young, gave report. There has been authorized contracting for Front Street. \$14,000 required to repair that area.

ABC: Town Administrator, Jason Young, gave report. ABC issued an additional check for \$16,083. Net income in July to present is \$3,455.88.

Public Works: Town Administrator, Jason Young, gave report. 132 tons of garbage collected. 129 yards brush recycled. 12 tons chipping brush. 1580 pounds metal recycled. No cardboard, no leaves. New garbage truck/snow plow has been ordered.

Administration: Town Administrator, Jason Young, gave report. Moving forward on Greenway and park design. Will release materials soon to inform the public. Labor day picnic is coming up. More content has been added to the town's website. Alderman's e-mails have also been added. The Little Library Program has been started in various places in the town.

Adjournment: 7:58 pm Motion made by Alderman Jackie Bryson and seconded by Alderman Debbie Giezentanner. Motion carried

Executive Session - The Board of Alderman will adjourn to private chambers to discuss legal personnel, contractual or similar matters protected by state statute. Began at 8:03pm

45 Audubon short term rental discussed: Homeowners at this property are being represented by an attorney. The Town of Woodfin's Attorney, Joe Ferikes, will be contacting their attorney to set up a meeting to discuss the matter.

Attorney, Joe Ferikes, spoke in reference to the closing of N. Merrimon Ave., this is continued until the end of the month.

Jason Young, Town Administrator, spoke in reference to roads in serenity. Mike Parrish want to begin releasing lots. There is difficulty in having the road paved. Lots cannot be released until the road is paved.

The town is considering having and informative magazine about the town released.

Two police officers for the town have recently put in their resignation.

Adjournment: 8:55pm Motion made for regular session by Alderman Jim Angel and seconded by Alderman Debbie Giezentanner. Motion carried