

TOWN OF LITTLETON

11.15.2016

Board of Commissioners Work Session

The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Littleton held the regularly scheduled work session on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 10:00 am. In attendance were Commissioners Gerleen Pitchford, Sylvia Alston, Clara Debnam and Don Spragins. Mayor Ron Girdley presided over the meeting. A quorum was present. Commissioner Heidi Hogan was absent.

Mayor Girdley called the meeting to order at 10:01 am.

Commissioner Don Spragin began the meeting by making a motion for the Board to issue a statement of public support for Commissioner Sylvia Alston and there are no grounds for the recent allegations brought before the Board by Mr. Charles Harvey and Mrs. Marlene Melvin regarding her permanent residence. Commissioner Gerleen Pitchford seconded the motion. The motion voted and carried unanimously. Commissioner Alston recused herself from the vote.

Cooke Dam Update – (Mayor) Tabled until Commissioner Hogan is available.

Streets – (Mayor) Damage caused by Myrick Equipment at 303 Ferguson Street, Littleton. The Mayor reported he had spoken with Commissioner Hogan to request Myrick Equipment contact the homeowner (Mr. Edward Pitchford) and correct the damage caused during the last debris pick up. Commissioner Hogan indicated in previous conversation that she would not contact the contractor regarding the incident. Commissioner Alston shared concern on the lack of communication between Board members. Commissioner Debnam made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Spragins to have the Clerk contact Myrick Equipment to correct the damage at 303 Ferguson Street. The motion voted and carried. Commissioners Spragins and Debnam voting in favor and Commissioner Alston opposed. Commissioner Pitchford was recused from the discussion.

Storm Drain Repairs – (Heidi) Tabled until Commissioner Hogan is available.

Sidewalk Repairs – (Heidi) Tabled until Commissioner Hogan is available.

2017 Meeting Calendar Draft – Table until the December Meeting.

December Work Session – 12/20/2016 Reschedule? Commissioner Alston made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Spragins to cancel the December work session scheduled for December 20, 2016. The motion voted and carried unanimously.

Ordinance Update – Work Session II – Commissioner Alston suggested the water and sewer ordinance work session be postponed until Keith Hamm is able to be present in the meeting and discussions. Commissioner Alston made the motion; seconded Commissioner Debnam to schedule a work session on Monday January 09, 2017 at 1:30 pm dedicated to water and sewer ordinance updates.

Halifax County Prospectus Magazine – Mayor Girdley informed the Board that the Halifax County Economic Development Magazine Prospectus is planning to feature the Town of Littleton in the next edition.

Commissioner Alston made the Board aware of a NCLM website for free promotional, positive stories of events in the Town of Littleton. Commissioner Alston will forward the website link to the Board. (Taking the field – Here we grow).

Commissioner Spragins reported to the Board a recent conversation with Buddy Isles regarding the number of abandoned properties in Littleton. Mr. Isles offered property available for non-contaminated debris and how he

can assist in cleaning up Littleton. Commissioner Alston requested the Board's support for keeping a photo and digital record (history of events) of the progress of the pocket park. Commissioner Pitchford cautioned to be aware of State regulations in disposal of debris. Commissioner Spragins noted the public support for cleaning up Littleton.

Commissioner Alston made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Debnam to go into Closed Session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a)(4)(Discuss Economic Development Issues). The motion voted and carried unanimously.

At 10:46 a.m. the Board returned to Open Session. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:48 am.

Town Clerk