



Minutes of
City of Creedmoor
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Work Session
August 9, 2010
5:30 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Darryl D. Moss, Mayor Pro-Tem Jimmy Minor, Commissioner Tim Karan, Commissioner Otha Piper, Jr., Commissioner John Stallings, and Commissioner Herman Wilkerson. Also present were Mr. Tom Mercer, City Manager, Ren Wiles, Finance Officer/City Clerk, Korena Weichel, Deputy City Clerk, and Attorney Tom Currin.

INVOCATION and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Moss called the meeting to order and offered the invocation. Commissioner Piper led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Commissioner Stallings made a motion to adopt the meeting agenda; Seconded by Commissioner Minor. The motion received a unanimous vote.

PADDINGTON BUILDING PERMITS PLAN AGREEMENT

No action to take.

CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS

- Report on Resolution 2010-R-02: Banning Hunting Within City Limits
Provisions in the City's current Code of Ordinances which reference that hunting is permitted will be deleted.
- Resolution 2010-R-12: Water Shortage Response Plan
The Manager reported that Lindsay Mize agreed that the City is the only Creedmoor entity considered a customer of SGWASA and as such, handles its customers independently. If the City needs to flush lines excessively to maintain a safe potable water system during stage 1-5, it may ask for a waiver of the restrictions from SGWASA. He further agreed that safe quality water is the number one priority. The City can handle customers in the same manner by reviewing a one-year average as a base and compare that to the allowable maximum per metered service. Those with a usage of less than 1000 gallons/month would be exempt from the reduction, representing an average of 261 people (15.1% of the total 1730 ¾" residential customers) and < 1.5 million gallons annually. Staff need to develop a method to automatically calculate the averages and reductions.

Commissioner Stallings moved to remove the Water Shortage Response Plan from the table; seconded by Commissioner Piper. The motion received a unanimous vote.

Commissioner Minor moved to adopt the Water Shortage Response Plan with the 1,000 gallon exemption; seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson. The motion received a unanimous vote.

- The Manager apprised the Board of a planned meeting with Debra Gore on 8/12 regarding flow reduction.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Finance, Administration, & Intergovernmental

Commissioner Karan announced Creedmoor has been selected for the fourth consecutive year as a *Playful City USA Community*. He commented that many cities are not getting funding and are being forced to close parks. The City of Creedmoor is still dedicating cell tower rental revenue to recreation needs (i.e., fireworks, parks, and the senior center). This year, a total of 117 communities throughout the country participated. Creedmoor is one of the original 39 cities; of those 39, only 19 are still contenders. One of the things keeping Creedmoor in the mix is the active recreation space requirement within new subdivisions.

2. Energy, Environment, & Natural Resource

Commissioner Minor led a discussion regarding the new mixers that were installed in several of the elevated tanks and gave a briefing on the elevated tank in Raleigh that is being looked at.

Commissioner Karan related the SGWASA proposed rate increases effective beginning next year and the nearly \$18 million operational improvements needed just to make their facilities compliant with state regulations. The proposed increase would translate to a \$120,000 base rate increase in sewer for the City in addition to a .89 per gallon increase passed onto individual residents. He recommended that the Board look into having Creedmoor's voting rights on SGWASA's board restored.

3. Public Safety

Commissioner Piper thanked the staff for participating at National Night Out.

4. Transportation Infrastructure

Commissioner Wilkerson said he had nothing to report but he inquired regarding the sediment basin being built at B & 14th Streets on top of the force main. Steve Colenda said he was aware and would check on it.

5. Community & Economic Development

Commissioner Stallings reported on the yard-of-the-month award designation for yards within City limits. The Butner-Creedmoor News publicizes the contest and the winner is awarded a Southern States gift certificate. He requested submissions in the form of the home address and photos be sent to him.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Moss gave an update on the progress of Music Festival planning and reported that everything was proceeding on schedule and publicity would begin shortly. He reminded all in attendance about the HWY-50 Charrette being held this Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday; he would be attending the land use and water quality meetings along with all three public sessions. Mayor Moss then commented that the stoplight at Hawley School Road and HWY-56 is in process but it will not be functional until after school starts. Kay Hagen will be at the Oxford Senior Center on August 12th and City officials have been invited to attend.

The Clean Water Management Trust Fund is meeting on our application again. Manager Mercer and Mayor Moss had a conference call on Friday afternoon and were told that they are doing all they can for the City but encouraged officials not to attend the meeting because it is not part of their process.

Congressman Brad Miller will be at City Hall along with senior officials from the USDA to present the USDA grant check on Wednesday, August 18th at 2:00 pm.

Attorney Tom Currin announced that engineers have determined the proposed site for the water tower is suitable. The City will be moving forward and closing on that property. He also gave an update on the dredging contract. Ken Long of H.G. Reynolds emailed the Wooten Company today with their intention to be on-site tomorrow to finish grading and proceed to plant the grass and trees. Discussion followed regarding the EPA grant extension requested until December and agreement was reached that it would be more appropriate to plant closer to that time.


Commissioner Stallings moved to go into closed session per G.S. 143-318.11 (3) attorney-client privilege, (5) contract negotiations, and (6) personnel; seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson. The motion received a unanimous vote.

Upon returning from closed session, Manager Mercer introduced Richard Flowe with N-Focus Design, Inc to the Board.

Commissioner Stallings asked about sidewalk repairs to be completed on Main Street. Commissioner Karan and Commissioner Minor agreed that, if the City owns it, it needs to maintain the property. Manager Mercer stated that the City would work on fixing the sidewalks.


ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, Commissioner Stallings moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:05 p.m.; seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson. The motion received a unanimous vote.



Darryl D. Moss, Mayor

ATTEST



Korena L. Weichel, Deputy City Clerk

