

MINUTES OF CITY OF CREEDMOOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING JANUARY 7, 2019 6 P.M.

PRESENT

Mayor Bobby Wheeler, Mayor Pro Tem Archer Wilkins, Commissioner Del Mims, Commissioner Herman Wilkerson, Commissioner Neena Nowell, Commissioner Ernie Anderson. Also present were Interim City Manager Korena Weichel, Finance Director Jami Crampton, City Clerk Kathleen McCorkle, and Attorney T.C. Morphis Jr.

ABSENT

None.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bobby Wheeler called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Commissioner Wilkins offered the invocation. Mayor Pro Tem Anderson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll call by the clerk determined a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Mims requested to move Consent Agenda Item 5b. City Manager Employment Contract to Action Item 8a. Commissioner Wilkins requested that the item remain on the Consent Agenda. The motion to approve the agenda with the change received a 2-3 vote, with Commissioners Wilkins, Wilkerson, and Mayor Pro Tem Anderson dissenting. Following further clarification regarding the process of removing items from the consent agenda, the agenda including the change was approved 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Approve December 4, 2018, meeting minutes
- b. Revise 2019 Board Meeting Schedule
- c. Set date for Annual Strategic Planning Workshop

Moved by Commissioner Nowell to approve the consent agenda; seconded by Commissioner Wilkins. The motion received a 5-0 vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Thomas C. Jackson, 302A Park Avenue, Creedmoor Mr. Jackson spoke regarding SGWASA rate increases.

FY 18 AUDIT REPORT

Ms. Carleen Evans from Winston, Williams, Creech, Evans & Co. presented the FY 18 Audit Report, and reported no findings. Mayor Wheeler thanked Finance Director Jami Crampton and Interim City Manager Korena Weichel and staff for a job well done.

CITY MANAGER EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT

Commissioner Mims remarked that she pulled the City Manager employment contract from the consent agenda in the interest of transparency and because the City Manager contract is not a routine item, after which she requested a roll call vote. Moved by Commissioner Wilkins to approve the terms of the city manager contract offered to Korena Weichel; seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson. Roll call vote: Mayor Pro Tem Anderson, yes; Commissioner Mims chose not to voice her vote, therefore her vote was counted in the affirmative; Commissioner Nowell, yes; Commissioner Wilkerson, yes; Commissioner Wilkins, yes. The motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Wheeler welcomed Ms. Weichel to the position and pledged support from everyone on the board.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Ms. Weichel updated the board on the existing dock work, noting that site work has begun on the shelter area, and that four aluminum dock fabricators have told Summit they are working on a 12- to 14-week backlog. She also provided updates on the Community Center, Cross-City Trail, Amberleaf, and R-5707 projects.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Wilkins reported that the SGWASA finance committee met December 19 to discuss the rate increase, and he said he would vote no to the increase at the January 8 SGWASA meeting.

Commissioner Wilkerson thanked Ms. Weichel for the job she's been doing as interim manager. He also reported that he has received complaints regarding the service line program. He would like to cancel the contract or do something about the city logo on private stationery.

Commissioner Nowell reported that she attended the December 6 ribbon cutting for South Granville Medical Center and the pre-bid meeting for the Cross-City Trail.

Commissioner Mims noted her attendance at the pre-bid meeting for the Cross-City Trail and urged other board members to attend such meetings. She also spoke of remaining current of changes impacting schools and the community, and mentioned the upcoming Granville County Veterans Appreciation Day. She congratulated the new city manager and wished all a happy new year.

Mayor Pro Tem Anderson reported on his attendance at the Tar Pamlico Basin Association, and apologized for voting to stay in the association last year. He moved to withdraw membership from the Tar Pam River Basin; seconded by Commissioner Mims. Commissioner Wilkins amended the motion to table until the next meeting; seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The amended motion received a 3-2 vote, with Commissioners Mims and Nowell dissenting. The original motion was rendered moot. Staff were directed to research any obligation the city would have for withdrawing membership prior to completion of the 20-year contract.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Wheeler wished all a happy new year. He reported he was appointed to the Granville County Opioid Crisis Committee as a representative of Creedmoor and pharmacy owner. The mayor complimented Events and Recreation Coordinator Angie Perry on the well-attended Bingo event Friday night. He then asked Ms. Weichel how code violations are currently handled. Until the position is filled, Community Development Director Mike Frangos will handle on a complaint-driven basis.

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Wilkerson and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Anderson. The motion received a 5-0 vote.

Robert V. Wheeler, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathleen J. McCorkle, City Clerk