



MINUTES OF  
CITY OF CREEDMOOR  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
**MARCH 5, 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 City Manager Korena Weichel, Finance Director Jamison Crampton, Public Works Director Steve Edwards, Community Development Director Mike Frangos, City Clerk Kathleen McCorkle, Chief Keith King, 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 Anderson offered the invocation. Commissioner Mims led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll call by the city clerk determined a quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor Wheeler requested to amend the agenda, adding item 9b Change April Meeting Date; and Attorney Morphis added a closed session to preserve attorney client privilege. Commissioner Nowell moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson. The motion received a 5-0 vote.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Approve February 5, 2019, minutes.
- b. Approve February 23, 2019, strategic planning workshop minutes.
- c. Approve FY19 audit contract.
- d. Reapprove Resolution 2019-R-01: Identifying Fred Smith Company as Lowest Bidder for Construction of Cross City Trail (revised bid amount).

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

**EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION**

Mayor Wheeler presented commendations for professional achievement in the superior performance of their duties to Patrol Officers Lauren Guida and Ben Coleman.

The mayor also presented a five-year service recognition award to Chief Keith King.

Public Works Director Steve Edwards received a certificate for completing the NC LTAP Roads Scholar program.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Ed Gleason, 1973 Bowles Avenue, Creedmoor*

Mr. Gleason expressed appreciation for the approval of all the capital projects, and urged the board to consider raising taxes to the former rate in order to meet upcoming expenses related to the projects, SGWASA, etc.

*Thomas C. Jackson, 302A Park Avenue, Creedmoor*

Mr. Jackson commented on the SGWASA Joe Peed sewer pump station and said he supports financial preparation for SGWASA's request.

*Ed Mims, 2204 Regent Court, Creedmoor*

Thanked the commissioners for withdrawing the city from the Tar Pamlico Basin Association.

**LED STREET LIGHTING CONVERSION PROJECT**

In follow-up to the presentation at the February 23 workshop, City Manager Korena Weichel requested that the board consider moving forward with the LED light replacement project. Converting the city's 361 conventional street lights to equivalent energy efficient LED lighting will lead to energy savings and a lower reliance on fossil-based fuels. Mr. Tracy Kendrick, Duke Energy lighting division, spoke regarding 3,000 vs. 4,000 Kelvin Color Temperature Scale. The Board was also asked to decide whether to complete the conversion all at once or break it into smaller portions. The cost of the entire project is \$10,000 for the change-out, and a \$67 monthly increase. The existing mercury vapor lights will be changed out at no cost as they are being phased out. Commissioner Wilkins moved to (1) approve the Duke Energy LED Conversion Plan as presented; (2) approve additional safety lighting not to exceed \$150 per month; (3) install 3000 Kelvin LED lights on residential streets/subdivisions & 4000 Kelvin LED lights on main thoroughfares; (4) complete the Main Street conversion and \$1040 expenditure in FY19; and (5) complete the remaining city-wide conversion and \$8960 expenditure in FY20; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Anderson. The motion received a 5-0 vote.

**RESCHEDULING OF APRIL 2, 2019 MEETING**

Mayor Wheeler requested a motion to move the April 2, 2019, meeting to Monday, April 8, at 6 p.m. Moved as presented by Mayor Pro Tem Anderson; seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson. The motion received a 5-0 vote.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

Ms. Weichel provided an update on the CMAQ project funding at either an 80/20 or 50/50 match. The revised funding request was sent to CAMPO with the exclusion of Phase 4, to be considered at their March 7 meeting.

An asbestos inspection at the gym is scheduled March 7. The community center contractor is eager to move ahead immediately following contract approval and is flexible on a groundbreaking ceremony date between April 9 and 20. The date will be chosen after the city manager makes suggestions to the board and receives their input.

The Lake Rogers Park ribbon-cutting date will be announced soon. Phase 1 construction is continuing. The concrete has been poured, but is not satisfactory and will be repaired or replaced under Public Works Director Steve Edwards' monitoring. The completion date of March 30 is unlikely to be met due to the rain, and April 11 completion is more likely. A community picnic is being planned to celebrate on either May 1 or May 4, depending on board preference. Informal bid requests were sent to five contractors for the original pier boardwalk design. Deadline to return bids is March 15, and recommendation will be presented to the board at the April 8 meeting along with a proposal for walking trails.

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

*Mayor Pro Tem Anderson* provided no report.

*Commissioner Mims* acknowledged all who received awards commendations, and reported attendance at several classes, meetings workshops, trainings, etc. She reminded all of upcoming daylight savings time change.

*Commissioner Nowell* noted her attendance at the SGWASA and CAMPO meetings, and several workshops and trainings.



*Commissioner Wilkerson* attended the Granville County retreat February 21 and the city budget workshop February 23. He also mentioned the 24" pipe under Hwy. 85 for future use which he found once, but hasn't been able to locate again.

*Commissioner Wilkins* reported that SGWASA is working toward hiring a new executive director, and noted his attendance at the NCLM State and Town dinner on February 20, and Crime Stoppers meeting February 26. He commended Chief King on the recent arrest of 10 individuals on drug charges; and he announced the area congregation of ministers is looking for citizens in need of food donations. He then read a personal statement.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Wheeler reminded all of Coffee with a Cop on March 6 and asked everyone to keep Former Mayor John Stallings in prayer. He thanked those who attended the county retreat, and thanked Ms. Weichel for preparing the presentation. The mayor thanked all who attended the city's annual strategic planning workshop.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by Commissioner Wilkins to enter closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) Attorney Client Privilege; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Anderson. The motion received a 5-0 vote.

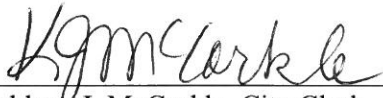
#### **ADJOURN**

Upon return from closed session, there being no further business to come before the board, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Wilkins and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Anderson. The motion received a 5-0 vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.



Robert V. Wheeler, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kathleen J. McCorkle, City Clerk

