

Special Called Regular Meeting

Town of Cooleemee

March 06, 2015 6:00 pm

Minutes

In attendance were Mayor Lynn Rumley, Commissioners Jean Snead, Brad Waller, and Town Clerk John Chandler

Mayor Lynn Rumley called the meeting to order.

Invocation: Clerk Chandler

Mayor led us all in the Pledge to the US Flag.

Visitors were welcomed.

Motion made by Commissioner Snead to adopt the Agenda, which include the Consent Agenda.

Seconded by Commissioner Waller.

Vote was unanimous.

Chief West introduced our new full time officer to the Board. Shawn Breitzman comes very qualified to fit this position. He was hired February 20, 2015.

Motion made by Commissioner Waller to accept Breitzman to this position.

Seconded by Commissioner Snead.

Vote was unanimous.

Chief West continued with his Police Report. The police activity report was handed out to each Commissioner. The Chief reported that crime was down and therefore arrest was down. He did report that eliminating 4 or 5 households of problem makers has lowered crime considerably. The Highway Patrol has helped us a great deal by patrolling in this area early in the mornings. He reports he has been getting a lot of feedback on the new speed limit posted between Junction and Marginal to the city limits. He needs to know for sure what to do here because he knows it has been kind of in the air, if we are going ahead and stay like this he has the flashing speed limit sign ready to go. They are going to start enforcing the speed. So far they have been giving strong warnings. He stated if we are going to do this thing full fledged then we need to get the ball rolling because the speed is not being abided by. He told the Board that when they give him the green light this is what he is going to do. He did not want to do anything until he found out what the final outcome was going to be on the Boards decision. He said that once they write a few tickets it will set a precedence.

The Mayor stated that the Board had a consensus the what was asked by the Board to the DOT was to change the speed limit to 25 mph on Marginal Street from Highway 801 to Junction Road only, and it did not include from Marginal and Junction intersection to the city limits. She said the Board wants that stretch of road from the City Limits to Marginal Street to go back to 35mph.

Agenda Item #9 Commissioner Appointments:

The Mayor announced the two vacant seats on the Town Board. 1. Scott Vogler, and Tommy Daywalt. Both seats will be appointed for a term that will continue until Dec. 2015. Several people have applied to the Town Board for these appointments.

Commissioner Snead made a motion to nominate Daphne Beck to fill one of those seats.
Seconded by Commissioner Waller
Vote was unanimous.

Commissioner Snead made a motion to nominate Jim Szymanski to fill the second seat.
Seconded by Commissioner Waller
Vote was unanimous.

Motion made by Commissioner Waller to place a moratorium on erecting any street mailboxes until after the Public Hearing and vote on the Proposed Mailbox Ordinance.
Seconded by Commissioner Snead
Vote was unanimous.

The Mayor said she would draw up a statement as to the reasons why the Board feels a Moratorium on Street Mailboxes was enacted.

The Mayor and Board reviewed a packet on the rezoning process. A petition from Mr. Warren Fleming and Mr. Walter Fleming to have certain property non-contiguous to the Limits of Cooleemee and if Annexation was approved the Petitioners request it be rezoned. It would be annexed in as Residential and possible rezoning to Office/Institutional.

Motion made by Commissioner Waller to direct the Clerk to do find sufficiency of this Petition.
Seconded by Commissioner Snead
Vote was unanimous.

1. The Town Clerk, as directed by the Board investigated the petition and to find sufficiency of the petition.

2. The Clerk announced such investigation was done and the petition was found to be true in facts.

Motion made by Commissioner Snead to hold a Public Hearing on March 16, 2015 on the Petition to Annex
Seconded by Commissioner Waller
Vote was unanimous.

3. The Board fixed the date of the Public Hearing on the Petition to Annex

March 28th has been set for the annual Easter Egg Hunt.

Motion made by Commissioner Waller to adjourn
Seconded by Commissioner Snead
Vote was unanimous.

Mayor, Lynn Rumley

Clerk, John Chandler