

Regular Meeting
Town of Cooleemee
March 16, 2015 7:00 pm
Minutes

In attendance were Mayor Lynn Rumley, Commissioners Jean Snead, Brad Waller, Daphne Beck, Jim Szymanski 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 includes the Consent Agenda.
Seconded by Commissioner Waller.

Vote was unanimous.

The following people signed up to speak during Public Comment: Hellen Daywalt and KC Smith.

Hellen Daywalt of Center Street said with all the talk about Fences and Mailboxes and little concern is being shown toward trashy porches and yards. She said her house would soon be up for sale.

KC Smith of Marginal Street. She said if the Ordinances do not work, then change them. She complained that the speed on Marginal Street is not being kept at 25 mph. She asked that the speed limit be enforced.

Item #8 Discussion on the Proposed Fence Ordinance. Commissioner Waller feels the current Proposed Fence Ordinance is the best we have had and he favors it. Commissioner Beck said what she kept hearing as a main concern was picket and chain linked fences in front yards. She stated she is not fond of a chain linked fence in front yards. Commissioner Szymanski said he see things the same way that Commissioner Beck just described. He said a decorative fence in the front yard would look just fine for him, but not a chain linked fence. The general feel of the Board was to change the Proposal to not allow a chain linked fence in the front yards.

Motion made by Commissioner Beck that chain linked fences are only allowed in side and rear yards.

Seconded by Commissioner Szymanski.

Vote was unanimous.

The Board decided to speak to the colors of fences to defer to a later discussion.

Motion made by Commissioner Beck that the Proposed Ordinance be amended to include a Post Construction Inspection that is done by Code Enforcement, Town Clerk or Board Member, added to Section A,5-B.

Seconded by Commissioner Waller

Vote was unanimous.

Motion made by Commissioner Waller to adopt the Fence and Wall Ordinance.

Seconded by Commissioner Beck

Vote was unanimous.

Item #9 Street Mailbox Ordinance.

Motion made by Commissioner Snead that the Resolution be passed and that the Board places a ban on Street Mailboxes inside the City Limits of Cooleemee.

Seconded by Commissioner Szymanski.

Vote was unanimous.

Item #10 Text Amendment to Zoning Ordinance

Motion made by Commissioner Beck that the Board approves the Text Amendments as approved by the Town Attorney.

Seconded by Commissioner Waller.

Vote was unanimous.

Item #11 Annexation Petition by Warren Fleming (Attached)

Motion made by Commissioner Szymanski to annex the Fleming Property as petitioned and that the Clerk investigated the sufficiency of the petition and certified such to the Board.

Seconded by Commissioner Waller

Vote was unanimous.

Item #12 Planning Board Proposal of Rezoning.

Motion made by Commissioner Beck that the newly annexed property be rezoned from RS to OI.

Seconded by Commissioner Snead.

Vote was unanimous.

The Mayor addressed Mr. Fleming on the need of a Site Plan, which will now be required from the Town of Cooleemee.

Commissioner Snead brought up the need to begin street repairs. Money has to be spent down out of a surplus of funds received from Powell Bill Funds. The Clerk is looking into the needs of repairs to our streets.

Motion made by Commissioner Snead to adjourn.

Seconded by Commissioner Szymanski

Vote was unanimous

Mayor, Lynn Rumley

Clerk, John Chandler