

Regular Meeting
Town of Cooleemee
June 15, 2015 6:00 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 Szymanski to adopt the agenda which includes the Consent Agenda.

Seconded by Commissioner Snead

Vote was unanimous

Public Comment: Sue Steele Correll spoke on several concerns. She asked that the approved minutes of the meetings be posted. She said that Robert's Rules is the manner in which to conduct the business of the Town Board. She said she is very concerned that this is not being done. She said the Ordinances are not being ministered equitably, fairly, and timely. She felt ordinances should be posted for public view. Lack of communication between the Town Board and the Public is lacking. Not being able to get in touch with local officials draws lots of concern. She suggested a phone system that would take a message for the person that was being called.

The Finance Officer presented a Budget Amendment included in the Consent agenda, to the Board for approval. Powell Bill expenses were increased to take care of Road Repairs. (Budget Amendment is attached.)

Also a Budget Amendment increase is asked for because of over spending of Landfill fees.

The Mayor called the Boards attention to the 2015 Proposed Budget. Each Commissioner received a copy of the Proposed Budget Ordinance.

The Mayor addressed the questions presented the Board during the Public Comment section. She told Ms. Steele that no money has been budgeted for the Mill Project in the 2015-2016 Budget. The Mayor emphasized that no Town Money was ever spent on the Mill Project. Citizens donated money and it was run through the Town but it was not Town Money. The Police Calendar money is used for Police Dept. expenses.

The Board now turns attention back to the Proposed Budget.

Motion made by Commissioner Snead to approve the Proposed Budget as the working Budget for the 2015-2016 year.

Seconded by Commissioner Beck
Vote was unanimously approved.

Motion made by Commissioner Beck to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Davie County which includes the collecting of taxes, the branch library.

Seconded by Commissioner Szymanski
Vote was unanimous.

The Mayor has called for clarification of the Noise Ordinance. Discussion was the application for a Special Noise Permit does not match the Ordinance. Commissioner Szymanski said the only real discrepancy is where the description of event is on the form, and we can leave the description of event in there, and remove the comment in parentheses. The Mayor said it seems the Board is saying that people can have amplified sound at their houses. The Clerk was allowed to comment on what the intent of the past Board's intentions was when they drew up this ordinance. Mainly it was to prevent individuals from playing loud music from their residence and therefore disturbing the neighborhood. The Mayor expounded on the current ordinance that there is nothing in there about times at all, nor in the application. Commissioner Szymanski said there should be a time limit on the ordinance and application. He said preventing someone from having a wedding at their own house is being overbearing to restrict an activity like that. The Mayor asked the Board to think about the ordinance that is sensible for our town. She said you can't ask the CHA to rent out the facilities at the Zachary House for weddings and other events and then ask them not to play amplified music. Look for reasonable times and rules that need to be in the ordinance. Then complete an application that goes with that. The Mayor ended the discussion until the next meeting.

Commissioner Waller said two people turned in applications for the Director of Recreation. He said he would like to recommend Wendy Marion to the Board. He and the Mayor met with the applicants. Mrs. Marion seems to be the best fit. She would not be able to start until mid July.

Motion made by Commissioner Waller to give her an offer herthe job.

There was discussion on things she would be available for and her flexibility on weekends, etc. Much discussion about her capabilities.

Second by Commissioner Snead.

Discussion: The Clerk asked if the motion would include the salary and hours. Commissioner Waller stated the Rec. Director's salary would be budgeted at \$ 7500.00 and her hourly rated would be \$ 10.57. Her hire date would be June 15, 2015.

Commissioner Snead made a proposal that the following people be appointed to the Planning Board: Peggy Foster for a one year term, Tronia Gibson for a two year term, Wanda Whitley for a three year term, that Bob Phillips be re-appointed for a three year term, and Gene Lagle be appointed as an alternate for a three year term.

Motion made by Commissioner Snead that Peggy Foster be appointed for a one year term on the Planning Board.

Seconded by Commissioner Waller
Vote was unanimous.

Motion made by Commissioner Snead that Tronia Gibson be appointed for a two year term on the Planning Board.

Seconded by Commissioner Szymanski

Vote was unanimous.

Motion made by Commissioner Snead that Wanda Whitley be appointed for a three year term on the Planning Board.

Seconded by Commissioner Beck

Vote was unanimous.

Motion made by Commissioner Snead that Bob Phillips be appointed for a three year term on the Planning Board.

Seconded by Commissioner Szymanski.

Vote was unanimous.

Motion made by Commissioner Snead that Gene Lagle be appointed for a three year term as an alternate on the Planning Board.

Seconded by Commissioner Beck.

Vote was unanimous.

The Mayor addressed those in attendance that the Town Minutes are always available online, in the Bulletin board, and here at the Town Hall.

The Lawnmower Parade will continue on July 4th as usual.

Commissioner Snead commented that a step at the Zachary House is very dangerous. She asked if there was anything that could be done about this step that is higher than the others.

Motion made by Commissioner Snead to adjourn.

Seconded by Commissioner Waller

Vote was unanimous

Mayor, Lynn Rumley

Clerk, John Chandler

