

Regular Meeting
Town of Cooleemee
March 21, 2016 6:00 pm
Minutes

In attendance were Mayor Steve Corriher, Commissioners: Jessica Almond, Daphne Beck, KC Smith, Brad Waller and Town Clerk John Chandler

Mayor Steve Corriher called the meeting to order.

Invocation: Clerk John Chandler

Pledge to the US Flag.

Visitors were welcomed.

The Mayor asked that the Board add one small item to the agenda.

Motion made by Commissioner Almond that discussion of the Dragonfly request be added to the agenda.

Seconded by Commissioner Beck.

Vote was unanimous.

There being no further changes

Motion was made by Commissioner Beck that the Board adopt the Agenda as adjusted along with the Consent Agenda.

Seconded by Commissioner Almond.

Vote was unanimous.

Public Comments: Tronia Gibson spoke and gave her opinion to add leaves to the ordinances that speak to the high grass ordinance. She was specifically talking about the old Ijames house on Main St. that has leaves that has not been picked up and a large blue drum that contains lots of debris in the front yard.

Motion made by Commissioner Beck that the Town of Cooleemee proclaim April 2016 as "child abuse awareness month".

Seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Vote was unanimous.

Commissioner Waller said it looks like the Town of Cooleemee is not up to date with its Sign Ordinances per Erin Burris of Benchmark. He said it has something to do with Political Signs. Commissioner Beck said it actually has to do with the "content" of the sign and regulations on that. Code Enforcement officer made comments on his take on the process. There were misconceptions as to this new law from the Supreme Court. Erin Burris will make any changes to our ordinances.

Farm Animals inside the city limits of Cooleemee was discussed.

Commissioner Almond said Cooleemee's ordinance states there must be an acre of land before any farm animals may be kept on the property. She suggest that this be changed to read that no farm animals shall be kept inside the city limits of Cooleemee. She said they should remove the portion of the 1 acre variance. George Madeja said that recently chickens had to be removed from the back yard of a house on Grove St. to be in compliance with Cooleemee's ordinances. George Madeja said he would put together and ordinance changes to exclude all farm animals from being kept. He said he would have something ready for the next regular scheduled meeting.

Motion made by Commissioner Almond that the proposed Job Description for Recreation Director be approved.

Seconded by Commissioner Beck

Vote was unanimous.

Commissioner Smith and Commissioner Almond are putting together the Annual Easter Egg Hunt for the Saturday before Easter. Various job duties were handed out to the Commissioners and Town Clerk. Advertisements have been posted. No rain date was set.

Mayor Corriher mentioned the dilemma of the proposed Davie County change to the method of disbursing Sales Tax. Discussion went around the room. Notes on the subject are attached to these minutes.

Kim Harris of the Davie County Grants dept. has some videos she has sent to the Town that covers municipality concerns. This along with other things to discuss has prompted the Board to have a Workshop meeting. April 5, 2016 at 6:00pm was set for a Workshop.

Commissioner Waller stated that work will have to be done in the ditch on Main Street behind Steven Lagle's house.

Commissioner Smith asked if we were to receive minutes from the RiverPark Board.

Commissioner Beck said the RiverPark was a private board and minutes were not sent out to the public. She wondered if anything had been said of doing any work on the Cooleemee side of the RiverPark. Smith thought that recognition should be given to Kenny Durham for his construction and continued work on paths on the Cooleemee side of the Park.

Motion made to adjourn by Commissioner Smith

Seconded by Commissioner Almond

Vote was unanimous.

Mayor, Steve Corriher

Clerk, John Chandler