

**Regular Meeting**  
Town of Cooleemee  
July 18, 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.

Motion made by Commissioner Smith to add line item 7.A Discussion on a RiverPark Meeting. This motion died for lack of a second.

Motion made by Commissioner Waller to adopt the Agenda which includes the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Almond.

Vote was unanimous

Public Comments:

Sue Steele Correll posed a question about the Planning Board and where do they receive the things they discuss. She also felt that Planning Boards be required to attend the Town Meetings.

Hellen Daywalt said she had a problem with the Police Dept. and her use of a golf cart and the confidentiality of police reports.

Walter Ferrell said he was thankful to our Police Dept. and the jobs they do, and we should pray for them every day.

Lynn Rumley asked the Board to make special effort to inform the Town how the leaders feel about the Police Dept. and to educate them on what the Police department does. She was surprised to see here that the Town decided to not give a three percent salary increase but choose to give a 2 percent instead.

Town Finance Officer John Chandler presented the board with a Budget Amendment . The N.C. Dept. of Transportation sent a invoice for \$ 33,000.00 that was a surprise for it was from a project done 5 years ago on Rocky Hill Trail.

Motion made by Commissioner Beck to approve budget amendment BA-2016/2017-1 Increasing line item 10-570-13 by \$34,000.00 and increasing line item 10-399-02 by \$34,000.00. Seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Vote was unanimous.

The Mayor announced that Stokes County Yarn has gifted maps, blue prints and artifacts to the Town of Cooleemee. These will be picked up in August and stored at the Town Hall.

Motion made by Commissioner Almond to accept the historic artifacts.

Seconded by Commissioner Beck.

Vote was unanimous.

A position is open for a position on the Planning Board. The Town Board decided to wait until the August 15th meeting to make this appointment.

Motion made by Commissioner Beck to wait until August to make Planning Board appointment.

Seconded by Commissioner Waller

Vote was unanimous.

The Mayor and Commissioner Smith met with Brandon Emory of ACE Code Enforcement to interview him on the possibilities of working for the Town.

Motion made by Commissioner Beck to hire Brandon Emory as Code Enforcement Officer, to work for three months, 4 hours a day, two days a week at \$30.00 per hour, to start July 19, 2016 and end Oct. 19, 2016.

Seconded by Commissioner Almond

Vote was unanimous.

The Mayor handed each Commissioner a packet on grant writing. He received this from the County Grants writer.

Motion made by Commissioner Beck to not read suggestions that have been placed in the Suggestion Box, but leave these suggestions available for the Mayor and Commissioner to read in their own time.

Seconded by Commissioner Smith

Vote was unanimous

Commissioner Beck reported that about \$2400.00 was made on tickets sales at the annual Duck Race.

Commissioner Smith reported that men who are going to replace the basketball court, will be coming up with a date that this work can be done. She will also send out ideas of the new signs about the Playground closing times.

Motion made by Commissioner Waller to recess the Regular Session and go into Executive Session for reason of personnel.

Seconded by Commissioner Beck

Vote was unanimous.

# Executive Session Time

Motion made by Commissioner Beck to close Executive session and to continue into Regular Session.

Seconded by Commissioner Waller

Vote was

Open discussion back and forth with Police Chief West and the Board

Motion made by Commissioner Waller to adjourn

Seconded by Commissioner Beck

Vote was unanimous

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Mayor, Steve Corriher

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Clerk, John Chandler