

Fairview Town Council Meeting
December 13, 2010
7:00 p.m.

The following members were present, constituting a quorum: Mayor Elizabeth Long, Bradley Purser, Bill Thomas, Jerry Clontz and B.B. Haigler.

Others present: Joe McCollum, Attorney; Ed Humphries, Land Use Administrator and Darrell Baucom, Finance Officer

Agenda Changes: None

Bill Thomas made a motion to approve the agenda. B.B. Haigler seconded the motion. Councilmen Clontz, Thomas, Purser and Haigler voted yes.

Public Comments / Presentations

Travis Morehead, with the **Carolina Tread Trail**, gave a presentation and update on the Carolina Tread Trail. A group is working on a possible plan for Union County; four Public Hearings are scheduled in February, 2011. He stated that if Fairview was uncomfortable about being a part of the planning process or did not want trails in Fairview, it would be their choice; Fairview did not have to participate.

The following spoke regarding the Carolina Tread Trail:

- Lane Griffin – 1705 Biggers Cemetery Road – has land on river and would not support this on his land.
- Dalton McCoy – 14280 Bethel Ave Midland – owns property on river and does not want on his property.
- Cindy McCoy – spoke as a real estate agent and feels that the trail would decrease property values; and people would not purchase property that could have a trail on it in the future.
- Patricia Kindley – Unionville Brief Road – spoke in favor of the Carolina Tread Trail concept and thinks it would be of value to future generations.
- John Penninger – 3619 Weddington Road, Monroe – has 10 acres on river and wants to keep his property private; and feels that a trail would devalue his property.

Council comments on the Carolina Tread Trail:

- Thomas – Fairview did approve resolution. He questioned where trails would be and the funding by which the trails would be operated.
- Clontz – stated the Council approved a “concept plan”.

Additional comments were made by the Council and questions were answered by Travis Morehead.

Reports

Darrell Baucom gave a financial report. The tax report was given as information and Humphries gave the zoning and permit report. Humphries stated that next year, text changes would come to the Council twice a year to save advertising costs; and that in January, the zoning report would have additional information included in it.

Old Business

Mayor Long opened a Public Hearing to hear public comment on #TC 10.009 – Technical Changes to the Lighting Standards Section #170 under Article XI in the Land Use Ordinance.

Land Use Administrator, Humphries, stated that certain descriptions of light measurement were incorrect in the Section and needed to be changed.

There were no public comments.

Mayor Long closed the Public Hearing.

Centralina Council of Government membership for Fiscal year 2011-12 was discussed by Council.

Jerry Clontz made a motion **not to renew** Fairview's membership in 2011-12 in Centralina council of Government. Each member of COG would be notified by the end of December, as required by the COG Charter; and the Mayor is to sign the letter. Bill Thomas seconded the motion. Councilmen Thomas, Haigler and Clontz voted yes. Councilman Purser voted no. The motion passed.

New Business

Decision on Permit #TC 10.009 – Technical Change to the Lighting Standards Section #170 under Article XI in the Land Use Ordinance:

Jerry Clontz made a motion to approve the amendments to Section #170 Lighting Standards #TC 10.009.

Also in motion: The proposed zoning amendment under consideration **is** found to be reasonable and consistent with the recommendations of the Town's adopted comprehensive plan, the Town of Fairview Land Use Plan (Revised September 13, 2010), and the Town of Fairview Land Use Ordinance (effective July 1, 2005)

Bill Thomas seconded the motion. Councilmen Haigler, Thomas, Clontz and Purser voted yes.

Reappointment of Planning Board Members

Bradley Purser made a motion to reappoint *Pattie Freeman* as an alternate, *John Phifer and Patricia Kindley* as regular members to a three year term on the Planning Board.

B.B. Haigler seconded the motion. Councilmen Haigler, Thomas, Clontz and Purser voted yes.

Council Comments

B.B. Haigler presented the plaque for Richard Williams. It was decided to move the presentation of the plaque to the January 10, 2011 agenda and ask Jon Williams to attend.

Bradley Purser asked about the Fire Department money. Darrell Baucom will issue a check at the end of each Quarter. The amount will be reviewed at budget time each year.

Mayor Long stated that she and Bill Thomas had met with the new County Manager. Mayor Long also stated that she had met with the Public Works Director for the county and the county has agreed to consider sewer in Fairview.

Jerry Clontz made a motion to approve the November 8, 2010 "Special Meeting" minutes. Bill Thomas seconded the motion. Councilmen Thomas, Haigler, Clontz and Purser voted yes.

Jerry Clontz made a motion to go into Closed Session in order to discuss real estate. Others requested to attend were: Joe McCollum, attorney; Ed Humphries, Land use Administrator and Darrell Baucom, Finance Officer. Councilmen Haigler, Clontz, Thomas and Purser voted yes.

Closed Session

Mayor Long reopened the Regular Meeting.

B.B. Haigler made a motion to adjourn. Jerry Clontz seconded the motion. Councilmen Thomas, Haigler, Clontz and Purser voted yes.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Humphries
Land Use Administrator / Town Clerk

Elizabeth Long
Mayor

Approved this 12th day of Jan, 2011.