

Fairview Town Council Meeting
May 14, 2012
7:00 p.m.

The following Council members were present: Mayor, Elizabeth Long; Bradley Purser, Arnold Price and Jerry Clontz. B.B. Haigler was not present.

Others present: Joe McCollum, Attorney (arrival at 7:40 p.m.); Darrell Baucom, Finance Officer and Ed Humphries, Land Use Administrator and Town Clerk

Agenda

Bradley Purser stated he would like to add:

Under New Business A-1 Planning and Zoning Board Member Opening

Under New Business B-2 Cost of Living / Merit increase for town employees

Mayor Long stated she would like to add:

Under Old Business A. Discuss Park Property

Jerry Clontz made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Bradley Purser seconded the motion. Councilmen Price, Purser and Clontz voted yes (3-0).

Reports

Finance Officer, Darrell Baucom gave the monthly financial report. Ed Humphries explained the Zoning Report and updated the Council on the resignation of Jon Williams as an alternate on the Planning Board.

Old Business

Mayor Long discussed the park property and stated that she had looked at the park in Indian Trail which cost approximately \$250,000. Mayor Long stated that whatever we do, it will need engineering drawings: public input and be put out to bid.

Jerry Clontz stated he walked the property and the underbrush needs to be cleared out to determine where the corners are located.

Mayor Long will contact a Forrester regarding the trees on the property if Council desires; she also stated that the Town needs to set up a park advisory committee.

Arnold Price stated that we needed to have a discussion with the Fire Department regarding the property. Jerry Clontz stated that a lot of things need to be done at one time.

Mayor Long stated she had read an article in “Southern City” that the State is looking at a possible law requiring voters to vote on all major financial expenditures of local governments

Arnold Price stated the survey showed that people were interested in the Fire Department.

New Business

- a. Neal Speer, Union County Fire Marshall, explained the Union County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan and provided a resolution for the Town to adopt. See below:

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE UNION COUNTY NORTH CAROLINA MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the citizens and property within the Town of Fairview are subject to the effects of an array of natural hazards that can cause loss of life and damages to public and private property; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Fairview desires to seek ways to mitigate the impact of such hazard risks; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Fairview Town Council to protect its citizens and property from the effects of natural hazards by preparing and maintaining a local hazard mitigation plan; and

WHEREAS, N.C. Gen. Stat. § 166A-6.01(b)(2)(a)(3) states: “For a state of disaster proclaimed pursuant to G.S. 166A-6(a) after the deadline established by the Federal Emergency Management Agency pursuant to the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2002, P.L. 106-390, the eligible entity shall have a hazard mitigation plan approved pursuant to the Stafford Act;” and

WHEREAS, Section 322 of the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 states that local governments must develop an All-Hazards Mitigation Plan in order to be eligible to receive future Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Funds and other disaster-related assistance funding and that said Plan must be updated and adopted within a five year cycle; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Fairview Town Council to fulfill its obligation under the aforementioned laws in order that Fairview will remain eligible to receive state and federal assistance in the event of a declared disaster affecting Fairview; and

WHEREAS, Union County and the other jurisdictions included in the Plan have performed a comprehensive review and evaluation of each section of the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan approved by the County in 2004, and have updated the plan as required under regulations at 44 CFR Part 201 and according to guidance issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the North Carolina Division of Emergency Management.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairview Town Council hereby:

1. Adopts the updated Union County North Carolina Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (the “Plan”), which plan shall supersede the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Plan adopted by The Town Fairview in 2004; and
2. Agrees to take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the proposed actions of the Plan.

Adopted on 14th day of May, 2012.

Elizabeth B. Long
Mayor, Town of Fairview

ATTEST: _____
Ed Humphries, Town Clerk

Arnold price made a motion to adopt the resolution. Bradley Purser seconded the motion. Councilmen Clontz, Purser and Price voted yes (3-0).

A-1 Planning and Zoning vacancy

Jon Williams has resigned as an alternate on the Planning and Zoning Board.

Bradley Purser made a motion to appoint Edwin Shaver to the position. Arnold Price seconded the motion. Councilmen Purser and Price voted yes. Councilman Clontz abstained. The motion passed with 3 yes votes.

b. Discussion: 2012-2013 Annual Budget

Darrell Baucom explained the changes in the proposed budget from the workshop which showed approximately \$10,000 in adjustments.

Jerry Clontz explained that he would like to see more money in the budget that could be spent on the property.

It was agreed that the Capital Improvement Plan (DIP) would be increased from \$485,000 to \$500,000.

B-1 Bradley Purser stated that he would like to discuss a cost of living/merit increase for the town employees. Mayor Long stated that this would have to be discussed in Closed Session.

C Public Hearing for 2012-2014 Budget

Bradley Purser made a motion to set the Public Hearing on the 2012-2013 budget for June 11, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. during the Regular Monthly meeting.

Jerry Clontz seconded the motion. Councilmen Clontz, Price and Purser voted yes (3-0).

Fairview Fire and Rescue

Hal Wiel, President of the Fire Department Board of Directors, addressed the Council and requested a meeting of the Fire Department Board and the Fairview Council. Hal stated that this would be a general conversation to include: amount of money the Town gives the department each year; location of the Fire Department; Fire Department equipment and the Fire Department would like the Council to view the present station and other topics concerning the Department.

Mayor Long asked if the Fire Department had plans on their proposed building. Mr. Wiel stated the committee is working on them.

Bradley Purser made a motion to have a joint meeting with the Fairview Fire and Rescue Board of Directors on Tuesday, May 22, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fire Department. Jerry Clontz seconded the motion. Councilmen Clontz, Price and Purser voted yes.

Council Comments

Jerry Clontz stated that he had walked the property the town just purchased. He stated there was more wooded area than he had previously thought. He stated that he wished that they had purchased more property.

Bradley Purser asked about offering The State 401k plan to the Towns employees. Mayor Long stated that the town could not offer the 401k without being a member of the NC State Retirement System.

Minutes

Arnold Price made a motion to adopt the April 9, 2012 meeting minutes as corrected. Jerry Clontz seconded the motion. Councilmen Clontz, Price and Purser voted yes (3-0).

The Mayor stated that the Town would now go into Closed Session to discuss personnel; the Town Clerk and the Finance Officer were excused.

CLOSED SESSION-Personnel

Mayor Long reopened the Regular Meeting.

Bradley Purser made a motion to give the town employees a cost of living increase of 2.67%. Arnold Price seconded the motion. Councilmen Price and Purser voted yes. Councilmen Clontz voted no. The motion passed (2-1).

Mayor Long asked Darrell Baucom to obtain information about number of employees and positions along with salaries from other towns of our size in order to compare.

Jerry Clontz made a motion to adjourn. Arnold Price seconded the motion. Councilmen Price Purser and Clontz voted yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Humphries
Town Clerk

Elizabeth B. Long
Mayor

Approved this 11 day of June 2012

