

Regular Meeting of the Town Council
January 19, 2010
7:00 pm

Minutes & General Account

Regular meeting of the Town Council, January 19, 2010, Council Chambers, Town Hall

Council Members Present: Mayor Volz, Council Members Thomas, Nixon-Roney, Gray and Ragsdale

Ragsdale High School Representative – Denzell Faison

Staff Present: Kathryn Billings, Chuck Smith, Judy Gallman, Matthew Johnson, Martha Wolfe, Beth Koonce, Town Attorney

Visitors Present: William McLean, Grant Desjardine, Kerry Miller, Beth Seagraves of the News & Record, Carol Brooks of the Jamestown News, Steve Owen, Michael Brandt, Town Manager for the Town of Summerfield.

1. Call to Order – Mayor Volz called the meeting to order – Mayor Volz welcomed Michael Brandt, Town Manager of Summerfield.
2. Administer Oath of Office to Council Member Brock Thomas – the Town Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Council Member Brock Thomas.
(Oath)
3. Jamestown Community Reflection – Mayor Volz thanked Lynn Montgomery for spear heading efforts to encourage Main Street businesses and property owners to put up Christmas lights during the Holiday Season.

The Town Hall is accepting can good donations to assist people in the area in need of food.

Charles Jones has been the Town's Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority representative since 1986. Last November, he was selected to Chair the Water Authority. It will be a great reward to Jones that he has been on the Board from its inception and now he will be the Chair of the Board when the Randleman Reservoir goes on line.

Mayor Volz said we did receive some sad news today. Council Member Frank Gray's mother, Rachel Gray, passed away last night. Mayor Volz stated Rachel Gray had quite a political career. She was the second women elected to the High Point City Council. She served as Mayor Pro Tem while on the High Point Council. Gray was elected to the North Carolina State Senate serving from 1976-1984. Rachel also served as a past President of the Jamestown Business Association. Mrs. Gray was a great community figure for High Point and Jamestown.

The funeral will be held on Saturday. Cumby Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Council Member Gray thanked the Mayor. Gray said he is proud of his Mother, her accomplishments and her life. Gray thanked the Council for their thoughts.

Mayor Volz asked for a moment of silent prayer.

4. Approval of minutes from the December 15, 2009 meeting – Council Member Gray made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Council Member Nixon-Roney made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
5. Public comment Period – No one registered to speak.
6. Resolution Honoring Steve Owen – Mayor Volz presented and read a Resolution Honoring Steve Owen for his 17 years of service to the Planning Board.
(Resolution)
7. High Point MPO Resolution of Evaluating and Revising the North Carolina Transportation Equity Formula: Mayor Volz asked the Council to support this effort in helping to get the NC Legislature to change the equity formula for determining who gets the road money. The formula now is very confusing. We are seeking an easier way to calculate these funds.

Council Member Gray made a motion to approve this Resolution. Council Member Thomas made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
(Resolution)

8. Water Shortage Management Plan – Chuck Smith stated he is asking for the Council to set a Public Hearing date for February 16, 2010 to consider 2 changes made to the water shortage management plan. Smith received comments back from DENR; they liked the plan, but required 2 additions to the plan. Council Member Nixon-Roney made a motion to hold a Public Hearing on the water shortage management plan at the February 16, 2010 Council Meeting. Council Member Thomas made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
9. Appoint HPMPPO delegate and alternate – Mayor Volz accepted the role as the HPMPPO delegate. Council Member Nixon-Roney is the alternate.
10. Appoint Council Representative to the Parks & Recreation Committee – Mayor Volz said that Council Member Thomas is a member of the Golf Committee. This is closely associated with the Parks & Recreation Department. Mayor Volz stated Council Member Thomas has agreed to serve as the Council Representative on the Parks & Recreation Board.
11. Appoint PTCOG – Mayor Volz stated he will continue to serve in the capacity as PTCOG delegate.
12. Appoint two Council Members to serve on the Town of Jamestown Non-Profit Grant Committee. Mayor Volz stated that work is beginning on the budget for the next fiscal year. The Town receives grant requests from non-profit organizations. We appoint two Council Members to review the grants to determine if the grants are approved and included in the budget. Mayor Volz appointed Council Member Will Ragsdale and Council Member Frank Gray to be the members on the non-profit grant committee.

13. Appoint Council Member to Main Street Revitalization Project – Mayor Volz said that Council Member Gray has served in this role for the last couple of years and the Mayor would like for Council Member Gray to continue. Council Member Gray accepted this appointment from the Mayor.
14. Appoint Council Member to serve as Liaison to the Guilford County Schools System – Mayor Volz appointed Council Member Will Ragsdale to serve as the Liaison with the Guilford County Schools System.
15. Set Public Hearing Date for updating the Land Development Ordinance – Matt Johnson requested a Public Hearing date for the February 16, 2010 Council meeting to consider minor updates to the 2010 Land Development Ordinance. These updates have been approved by the Planning Board. Council Member Gray made a motion to hold a Public Hearing on February 16, 2010 to the Land Development Ordinance. Council Member Ragsdale made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
16. Budget Amendment – Judy Gallman presented a revised budget amendment. The budget amendment covered several components. In the sanitation department, we are requesting to move a line item from the workmen’s compensation budget to the salary and wage line item. Due to sewer line break and snow removal, we had to pay overtime. Worker’s compensation premiums were not as much as expected. The requested amount \$750.00.

Gallman informed the Council that there is a sink hole at the Golf Course near the driving range. The Golf Course Superintendent has received several estimates to repair this pipe. We are requesting an amendment in the amount of \$100,000.00 to budget for replacement of drainage pipe extending over the driving range and across #10 fairway to the pond.

The third component is in Fund 30 to increase budget in overtime, anticipating more overtime may be needed in this fiscal year. Again, worker’s compensation premiums were not as much as expected. This requested amount is \$1500.00.

The total amount of the requested budget amendment #7 is \$102,250.00.

(Insert Budget Amendment)

17. Financial statement – Judy Gallman presented the financial statement for the month ending 12/31/09. She gave the following report:

Total Cash is \$6,251.00 part of this is reserved for Randleman Reservoir and the Powell Bill.

Total Debt balance as of December 31, 2009 is \$593,000.00.

Revenue & Expenditures at this point of the year we should be at 50%. The funds are pretty much in line with this percentage.

In the detail financial report for 12/31/09, Gallman highlighted that the Town made the final payment on the audit. The Town made a payment on the contract for the Pedestrian Master

Plan. In the water/sewer department, payments were made for cleanup of the sewer line break and associated expenses that will be reflected in the financial statement for January 2010. The Town made a payment on the sewer system evaluation study. Most other expenses were normal reoccurring expenses.

The Town Manager said we have a contract with Davis Martin Powell to survey our sewer lines. This will be an on-going project for the next several months.

Chuck Smith said Davis Martin Powell have looked over the Adams Farm outfall line. We are trying to pin point places now to go in and study certain areas to ascertain the condition of the pipe along those selected points. This study should tell us where we need to replace, repair or sleeve the pipe.

Billings said the Oakdale line that was recently replaced was 21 years old. It has been replaced with a more durable pipe.

18. Public comment Period – No one registered to speak.

19. Other Business – Mayor Volz thanked Chuck Smith and his Department for the snow and leaf removal. They did a great job.

Mayor Volz reminded the Public that the Council will have a work session on Thursday, February 11th, 2010 from 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm and February 12th, 2010 from 8:00 am – 10:00 am.

Council Member Nixon-Roney shared with the Council something she saw in Raleigh. It was a frozen pond which was made out of synthetic material. It can be used in a parking lot by just placing it down on the pavement. It can be used for skating or ice hockey. Council Member Nixon-Roney said she met the owner of the company. There is a onetime fee for the “pond”. There is no maintenance and can be used regardless of the weather. Council Member Nixon-Roney felt this was a different idea that may be considered for use at the new Park.

Council Member Gray made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Thomas made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote. The meeting ended at 7:35 pm.