

Bermuda Run Town Council

AGENDA MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 28, 2017
9:00 a.m. – Town Hall

Council Members Present: Mayor Kenneth Rethmeier; Ed Coley; John Guglielmi, and Jerry West

Council Members Absent: None

Also Present: Lee Rollins, Town Manager; Brian Williams, Town Attorney; Christy Schafer, Planning Board; Cindy Griffith, Town Clerk; Erin Burris, Benchmark Planning; Bill Holdgrafer, resident; Ken Peacock, resident; Mike Ernst, resident

1. Call to Order

Mayor Ken Rethmeier called the meeting to order.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Council Member Ed Coley made the motion to adopt the agenda, and Council Member Jerry West seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of three (3) in favor and none opposed.

3. Approval of the January 24, 2017 Agenda Meeting Minutes

Council Member Jerry West made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 24, 2017 Agenda Meeting. Council Member Ed Coley seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of three (3) in favor and none opposed.

4. Citizen's Comments – None wished to speak.

5. Items for Consideration

A. 2017 Annual Planning Session Areas of Focus

Town Manager, Lee Rollins asked the Town Council to confirm the three areas of focus as presented, or amend as agreed upon. The areas are: Economic Development, Infrastructure, and Identity and Character.

B. Consideration of a General Fund Balance & Debt Policy

The Town Manager is asking the Town to adopt an official Fund Balance Policy and Debt Policy. *This will be placed on the March Council Meeting agenda for adoption.*

C. DRAFT: Resolution of Intent to Purchase Property for Recreation

Per the direction from the Town Council at the January 24, 2017 Agenda Meeting, a DRAFT Resolution of Intent was presented to Council for review. Council Member Ed Coley did not agree with the Appraisal (that was done per his request from the January Agenda Meeting), and provided a letter from a firm from Elkin, NC (attached). Council Member Jerry West stressed to Ed Coley that he should have provided this feedback for review prior to the meeting instead of reading it at the meeting. Town Manager Lee Rollins reminded the Council that the Resolution of Intent is NOT a purchase agreement and that price was to be negotiated by Council. Council Members Jerry West and John Guglielmi have walked through the property and agree that the Council needs to see the vision for what this can become down the road to fulfill recreation needs and complete the vision for the Comprehensive Plan. Council Member Ed Coley stressed that he was not opposed to the concept, and that he supported the Comprehensive Plan. However, the cost was the issue.

Council Member Jerry West made a motion to move forward with the concept and to put on the March Council Meeting Agenda.

D. Comprehensive Plan Schedule and Tasks

Erin Burris with Benchmark Planning reviewed the schedule with the Town Council. There will be a visioning exercise at the March Agenda Meeting.

E. Discuss Present Candidates for Nomination to Fill Council Member Vacancies

The Town Council agreed at the January 24, 2017 Agenda Meeting to use the Nomination and Ballot Method when appointing Council Members to fill the vacancies left by Shirley Cagle and Ken Bateman. It was agreed that nominations would be submitted on or before the February 28, 2017 Agenda Meeting. Council Member John Guglielmi nominated Mike Ernst; Council Member Ed Coley nominated Ken Peacock; and Council Member Jerry West nominated Rick Cross.

With no other nominations on February 28, 2017, Council Member Jerry West made a motion to close the nominations. Council Member John Guglielmi seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of three (3) in favor and none opposed.

Attorney Brian Williams passed out ballots to each Council Member, explaining that each was to vote for TWO different names, explaining that the Mayor would not break the tie if applicable. Council Member Jerry West made the motion to proceed with voting. Council Member John Guglielmi seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of three (3) in favor and none opposed.

Council Member Jerry West made a motion to cast votes today with the new Council Members being sworn in at the March Council Meeting. Council Member John Guglielmi seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of two (2) in favor and one (1) opposed.

Attorney Brian Williams, and Town Manager Lee Rollins counted the votes and the results were Mike Ernst (3), Rick Cross (2), and Ken Peacock (1).

6. Council/Mayor Comments

Ed Coley – Stressed that his main objective is to spend tax payer’s money wisely. The price of the land being discussed is very negotiable.

Jerry West – No comments

John Guglielmi – Questions regarding lights at roundabout (waiting on estimate), and electronic speed signs. Approval has been received from the State and they are on order.

Mayor Rethmeier – Appreciated everyone’s candor. There are a lot of opportunities for growth. He gave an update on the Davie Medical Center and welcomed new Council Members.

7. Town Manager Comments

None.

8. Adjourn

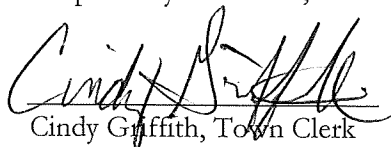
With no further business, Council Member Jerry West made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Council Member John Guglielmi. The motion was approved by a vote of three (3) in favor and none opposed.

Approved:



Kenneth Rethmeier, Dr. PH - Mayor

Respectfully submitted,



Cindy Griffith, Town Clerk