

Town of Bermuda Run

Town Council Meeting Minutes

August 14, 2018– 6:00 PM

The Town Council of Bermuda Run held its scheduled meeting on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 6:00 PM. The meeting was held at Bermuda Run Town Hall.

Council Members Present: Mayor Kenneth A. Rethmeier, DrPH; John Guglielmi, Rick Cross, Mike Ernst, Chris Fowler, and Jerry West

Council Members Absent: None

Also Present: Lee Rollins, Town Manager; Cindy Griffith, Town Clerk; Hank Van Hoy, Attorney

Call to Order Mayor Kenneth Rethmeier called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

It is the intent of the Town Council to solemnize the proceedings of this meeting and the business brought before the governing board, to offer the opportunity for a reflective moment of silence.

Adoption of the Agenda

Council Member Mike Ernst made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Council Member Rick Cross seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of five (5) in favor and none opposed.

Approval of the July 10, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Council Member John Guglielmi made a motion to approve the July 10, 2018 Town Council Meeting Minutes. Council Member Jerry West seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of five (5) in favor and none opposed.

Citizens' Comments - NONE

Action Items

A. Resolution to Support a Referendum on One-Quarter Cent County Sales and Use Tax

The proposed resolution is in response to the August 6, 2018 resolution unanimously adopted by the Davie County Board of Commissioners indicating its support for voter approval of a one-quarter cent sales tax proposed on a November 6, 2018 referendum. The Sales and Use Tax would be to support Public Safety.

Council Member Jerry West made a motion to approve the resolution, with Council Member Mike Ernst seconding the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and one (1) opposed.

B. Request to go into Closed Session for a Real Estate Matter Pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11

(a) (5) To establish, or to instruct the public body's staff or negotiating agents concerning the position to be taken by or on behalf of the public body in negotiating (i) the price and other material terms of a contract or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchase, option, exchange, or lease.

Council Member Rick Cross made the motion to go into Closed Session. Council Member Mike Ernst seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of five (5) in favor and none opposed.

Closed Session Presentation

Council Member Chris Fowler made the motion to exit from Closed Session. Council Member Mike Ernst seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of five (5) in favor and none opposed.

Council & Mayor Comments

Chris Fowler – None

Rick Cross – “National Night Out” at Kinderton Village was a great idea and a success. He hopes that this will expand to all of Bermuda Run in years to come.

John Guglielmi – Sidewalks needed on Riverbend; we need to revisit plan presented by Grey Engineering and not forget about this project.

Jerry West – The Town should take risks and do more to attract a younger population. Doing nothing is not an option. He also shared that Paul Howard is doing a great job as interim Manager at the Bermuda Run Country Club.

Mike Ernst – He feels that the demographics are changing based on the activity at the pool.

Mayor Rethmeier – Thanked everyone for the dialog during the meeting. There is a lot to do to market the Town. He gave an update regarding the Davie Medical Center in Bermuda Run.

Town Manager Comments

Call for action – Move time of August 28, 2018 Council Agenda Meeting from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm in order for more Public Input.

Council Member Rick Cross made a motion to change the time of the August 28 meeting from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. Council Member Mike Ernst seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of five (5) in favor and none opposed.

Adjourn

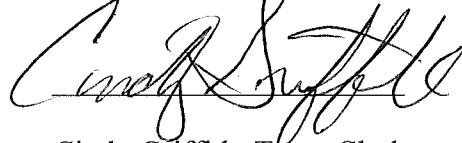
With no further business to discuss, Council Member John Guglielmi made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Jerry West seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of five (5) in favor and none opposed.

Approved



Kenneth A. Rethmeier, DrPH – Mayor

Respectfully Submitted



Cindy Griffith, Town Clerk

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Representatives from DFI presented a process overview regarding recruitment of a new hotel in the Town of Bermuda Run in order to support destinations such Winmock, and the BB&T Sports Complex as well as to anchor the development of a Town Center. DFI shared the financial analysis and their recommendations for the next steps of the process.

Lee Rollins, Town Manager shared with the Council that at present, the Town has no debt. He also met with the Hillsdale Group who shared that they may be interested in partnering on the project.

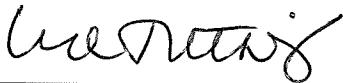
Main question – “Does the Council agree to public participation?”

After the presentation, all Council agreed that public participation would be a feasible option.

Mayor Rethmeier reminded the Council that the project will stimulate other commercial activity within the Town. Mike Ernst requested to meet with the Sports Complex staff in order to get a better understanding of their plans.

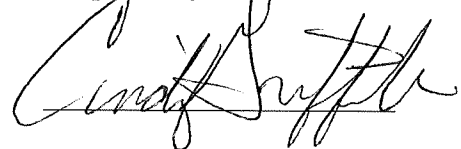
DFI will present the proposal at the August 28 Council Meeting that will be moved from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. Council will not act until the September 11, 2018 Council Meeting after giving time for Public Input at that meeting.

Approved



Kenneth A. Rethmeier, DrPH – Mayor

Respectfully Submitted



Cindy Griffith, Town Clerk



**RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT
THE DAVIE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APPROVAL OF A REFERENDUM ON
ONE-QUARTER CENT COUNTY SALES & USE TAX**

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2018, the Davie County Board of Commissioners unanimously adopted a resolution indicating its support for approval of a one-quarter cent sales tax proposal on November 6, 2018 referendum; and

WHEREAS, the Davie County Board of Commissioners has the responsibility to provide fire protection for the entire county; and

WHEREAS, a four cent ad valorem fire tax is currently imposed on all Davie County property owners; and

WHEREAS, the fire tax is distributed among independent fire departments for fire protection; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Bermuda Run corporate limits is served by the Advance, Clemmons and Smith Grove fire departments through the Davie County fire tax; and

WHEREAS, the Davie County Board of Commissioners has communicated the passage of the one-quarter cent county sales and use tax would help prevent an increase in the property tax burden on home owners and local businesses in the providing of public safety to the county; and

WHEREAS, if passed by voters in November, the Davie County Commissioners will direct all funds generated to go directly to support public safety (fire, the Sheriff's Office, Emergency Services, and 911/Communications); and

WHEREAS, groceries (unprepared foods), prescription medication, gasoline and motor vehicles would not be subject to the one-quarter cent sales tax; and

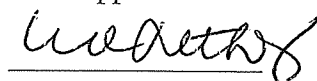
WHEREAS, it would take a 1.78 cent property tax increase to match the same revenue amount that the ¼ cent sales tax would generate; and

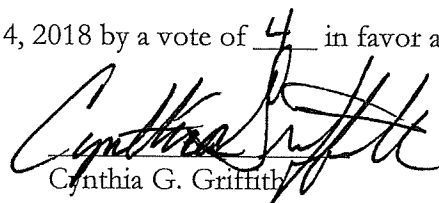
WHEREAS, sales tax allows both residents who do not own property, along with visitors in our area, to generate sales tax revenues to be used to support public safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

That the Bermuda Run Town Council supports the passage of the referendum for the sales and use tax and encourages voters of Bermuda Run to vote for the local sales and use tax at the rate of one-quarter percent (0.25%) on the November 6, 2018 referendum.

Adopted by the Bermuda Run Town Council on August 14, 2018 by a vote of 4 in favor and 1 opposed.


Kenneth A. Rethmeier, DrPH
Mayor


Cynthia G. Griffith
Town Clerk