

Bermuda Run Town Council

AGENDA MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 25, 2018
9:00 a.m. – Town Hall

Council Members Present: Mayor Kenneth Rethmeier, Jerry West, John Guglielmi, Chris Fowler, and Mike Ernst

Council Members Absent: Rick Cross

Also Present: Lee Rollins, Town Manager; Brian Williams

1. Call to Order

Mayor Ken Rethmeier called the meeting to order.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Lee Rollins asked that the agenda be amended to include item 5. A. Hurricane Florence Relief Initiative and items 6.D. Contract for Easement Appraisals.

Council Member Mike Ernst made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended. Council Member Jerry West seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and none opposed.

3. Approval of the August 28, 2018 Agenda Meeting Minutes

Council Member Jerry West made a motion to approve the August 28, 2018 agenda meeting minutes as presented. Council Member Chris Fowler seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and none opposed.

4. Citizens Comments

Diana Sykes, 264 Spyglass Drive, spoke to the Town Council regarding her letter as President of the Spyglass HOA, regarding a request that the subdivision entrance near 104 Spyglass Drive be closed and the other subdivision entrance across from The Lakes be widened. Mrs. Sykes explained it was her desire for cost estimates to be provided for the proposed street improvements and go back to the Spyglass residents for advisement.

5. Items for Consideration

Mayor Rethmeier shared with the Town Council an opportunity for the Town to collaborate with Sterling Events and WinMock to provide “cleaning kits” for Hurricane Florence victims in Jacksonville, NC. The Town Council Members supported the idea to engage residents to participate in the disaster relief effort and instructed Lee Rollins to work with Wayne Thomas as WinMock to confirm disseminating the information and confirming logistics for an October 2 -3 donation and staging event at the WinMock Granary.

6. Items for Discussion

A. Review of DFI Request for Proposal DRAFT

The Development Finance Initiative representatives provided a draft Request for Proposal for the hotel development opportunity beside WinMock. The Town Council members were pleased with the RFP as presented and looked forward to dissemination to potential developers.

B. Review of Spyglass HOA President Letter Regarding Double Entrance

In light of Mrs. Sykes comments during the Citizens Comments portion of the meeting, Council Member John Guglielmi recommended tabling any potential action by the Town Council, until a cost estimate on the proposed changes to the entrances was received. Lee Rollins stated that he received on his desk on September 24, 2018, a petition signed by thirty-seven Spyglass residents stating that they opposed the closing of the upper shorter entrance into the development and prefer all money be used to re-pave streets in Spyglass. One resident endorsed closing the upper shorter entrance and wanted the entrance across from The Lakes widened.

C. Discussion of Speed Limit on NC 801 South from Lybrook Drive to US 158 Intersection

Mayor Rethmeier reiterated his commitment to public safety by informing the Town Council of another accident at NC 801 and Bing Crosby Boulevard. He asked the Town Council for their consent to have a letter drafted to property owners along NC 801 South asking to sign a petition to urge NCDOT to lower the speed limit from Lybrook Drive to Peachtree Drive from 45mph to 35mph. The Town Council Members in attendance agreed to the suggestion that the Mayor write a letter to property owners asking to support lowering of the speed limit in that area. Council Members also suggested a caution signal or a roundabout at the NC 801 Bing Crosby intersection.

Note: Council Member Jerry West had to leave the meeting for another appointment.

D. Contract for Easement Appraisals

Lee Rollins provided the Town Council with two proposals for appraisal work for the Blue Heron Trail Easements. The proposal from Professional Property Services outlined Right-of-Way Acquisition and Appraisal Services for 18 parcels for \$108,000. The proposal from John McCracken & Associates proposed an appraisal rate of \$1,950 per parcel or a total of \$35,100.

Lee Rollins stated that property owners are entitled to receive fair market value for the proposed easements and are also entitled to receive an appraisal of the property. Lee recommended to the Town Council to give him the authority to move forward with John McCracken & Associates for appraisals for property owners that requested it.

Council Member John Guglielmi made a motion to authorize the Town Manager to contract with John McCracken & Associates for appraisals of property along the proposed Blue Heron Trail as needed. Council Member Mike Ernst seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of three (3) in favor and none opposed.

7. Mayor/Council Comments

Mike Ernst – Impressed with the Arts Council events in partnership with the Town. He does believe that additional food options would make the events even more successful. Also suggested a quarterly invitation for local businesses to provide a 10-minute update to the Town Council on happenings.

Chris Fowler – Kinderton Village residents will be holding a Community Yard Sale on October 13.

John Guglielmi – No comments

Mayor Rethmeier – Expressed his appreciation to the Council Members for their support toward Hurricane Florence Relief and the on-going issue of speeding on NC 801 South.

8. Town Manager Comments

9. Adjourn


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

Approved:

Respectfully submitted,



Kenneth Rethmeier, Dr. PH - Mayor



Lee Rollins, Town Manager