

# **Town of Bermuda Run**

## **Town Council Meeting Minutes**

### **December 12, 2017 – 7:00 PM**

The Town Council of Bermuda Run held its scheduled meeting on Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at 7:00 PM. The meeting was held at Bermuda Run Town Hall.

**Council Members Present:** Mayor Kenneth A. Rethmeier, DrPH; Ed Coley; Rick Cross  
Mike Ernst; and Jerry West

**Council Members Absent:** John Guglielmi

**Also Present:** Lee Rollins, Town Manager and Brian Williams, Town Attorney  
Erin Burris, Zoning Administrator

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

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Moment of Silence**

#### **Approval of the November 14, 2017 Meeting Minutes**

*Council Member Rick Cross made a motion to approve the November 14, 2017 Town Council Meeting Minutes as presented. Council Member Jerry West seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and none opposed.*

#### **Recognition of Outgoing Council Member Ed Coley**

Mayor Rethmeier presented Council Member Coley with a shadow box containing a key to the town and thanked him for his service to the residents of Bermuda Run from December 13, 2005 to December 12, 2017. Ed Coley thanked the Town Council and commented that building a cost effective town hall and supplying sewer to all residents were some of the accomplishments he was most proud of while serving on the Town Council.

#### **Oath of Office Administered to Newly Elected Council Members**

Judge Jimmy Myers presided over the administration of the oath of office to: Rick Cross, Mike Ernst and Chris Fowler. Each term is for four years.

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

**Council Members Absent:** John Guglielmi

#### **Adoption of the Agenda**

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

**Citizens Comments** – None

## **Proposed Meeting Action Items**

### **A. Appointing a Mayor Pro Tempore**

Mayor Rethmeier opened the floor for nominations to appoint a Mayor Pro Tempore at this organizational meeting of the Council.

*Council Member Jerry West made a motion to re-appoint John Guglielmi as Mayor Pro Tempore for the Council. Council Member Mike Ernst seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and none opposed.*

### **B. Proposed 2018 Council Meetings Schedule**

The proposed schedule keeps the Town Council meetings on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm and Agenda meetings the fourth Tuesday of each month at 9:00am.

*Council Member Rick Cross made a motion to adopt the 2018 Council Meetings Schedule as presented. Council Member Jerry West seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and none opposed.*

### **C. Public Hearing – TA 2017-03 Self Storage in Existing Buildings**

Zoning Administrator, Erin Burris, provided a report to the Town Council and those in attendance at the meeting regarding the proposed text amendment to allow self-storage in existing buildings built prior to the 2005 Town Zoning Ordinance in the Town Center and Village Mixed zoning districts.

Mayor Rethmeier opened the public hearing. There was no one who wished to speak.

Mayor Rethmeier closed the public hearing.

*Council Member Mike Ernst made a motion to approve TA-2017-03 in that the Town Council finds that the amendments are consistent with the Town of Bermuda Run Comprehensive Plan, specifically strategy 3.3, and considers the action to be reasonable and in the public interest. Council Member Rick Cross seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and none opposed.*

### **D. Request to Go Into Closed Session**

Town Manager, Lee Rollins, asked the Town Council to go into closed session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11 (a) (5) *to establish, or instruct the public body's staff of negotiating agents concerning the position to be taken on or 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 Jerry west made a motion to go into closed session. Council Member Rick Cross seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and none opposed.*

Representatives from the Development Finance Initiative provided a Phase I report to the Town Council.

*Council Member Rick Cross made a motion to come out of closed session. Council Member Mike Ernst seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and none opposed.*

**Council/Mayor Comments:**

Rick Cross - Thrilled to be elected to the Town Council and looks forward to serving.  
Mike Ernst - Thanked the residents of Bermuda Run for electing him to the Town Council.  
Continues to hear positive comments on the new Community Officer.  
Chris Fowler - Thankful for being elected to serve on the Town Council. Looks forward to  
working with the rest of the Council Members.  
Jerry West - Looking forward to working with the new members of the Council.  
Mayor Rethmeier - Congratulated Rick Cross, Mike Ernst and Chris Fowler on their election to the  
Town Council. The Mayor also wanted to recognize the passing of Bill Burnette  
and the legacy he left. He is the reason the town looks like it does today. The  
Town Council will recognize Mr. Burnette in an official fashion in the new year.

**Adjourn**

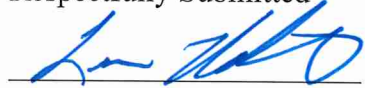
*With no further business to discuss, Council Member Mike Ernst made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Jerry West seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and none opposed.*

Approved



Kenneth A. Rethmeier, DrPH – Mayor

Respectfully Submitted



Lee Rollins, Town Manager