

**MINUTES OF THE AGENDA WORK SESSION
OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF LAUREL PARK, N.C.
April 15, 2010
9:30 P. M.**

The Laurel Park Town Council held an agenda work session in Town Hall on April 15, 2010 at 9:30 a. m. The following members were present: Mayor Henry T. Johnson, Commissioner Richard P. Cooke, Commissioner Dona M. Mennella, Commissioner J. Carey O’Cain, and Commissioner Robert O. Vickery. Town Manager Jim Ball was also present.

Mayor Johnson called to order the April 15, 2010, Council Agenda Work Session.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Vickery moved to approve the Agenda. Mayor Johnson asked for discussion; there was none. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion to approve the agenda.

AGENDA REVIEW – The Council reviewed the agenda items for the April 20, 2010 Town Council regular meeting.

1. Consent Agenda

- a) Minutes from the March 16, 2010, Council Regular Meeting
- b) Minutes from the March 16, 2010, Council Special Work Session – Town Ordinances
- c) Minutes from the April 15, 2010, Council Work Session

2. Public Hearings

None

3. Old Business

None

4. New Business

- a) Consideration, Town audit contract with Burleson & Earley, P. A.
- b) Consideration, Proclamation, Municipal Clerks’ Week
- c) Consideration, Proclamation, Police Week
- d) Consideration, Resolution in Support of North Carolina’s Current Public Alcoholic Beverage Control System

5. Town Manager’s Report

COUNCIL UPDATES AND OPEN DISCUSSION – The Council received updates on and discussed the following areas:

- 1. Discussion, Civic Association Activities. Robert Thrower, Laurel Park Civic Association President, discussed current and future association projects with Council. Mr. Thrower stated that the first historical marker depicting the Fleetwood Hotel was ready for installation. Council agreed to a small ceremony at the site on Friday, April 23, 2010 at 10:00 a. m. Mr. Thrower stated that the Civic Association has a web site and provided the web address (www.laurelparkcivicassociation.org). He also stated that the Civic Association was planning an event at Jump Off for the summer with music; several items were still to be worked out but if all went well, the event would take place in July or August. Mr. Thrower discussed with Council a possible project to add landscaping to the island on Laurel Park Highway. He asked Council if it would be interested in a cost sharing project of this nature. Mayor Johnson stated that, with the current budget situation, he felt that Council could not commit to any additional expenditure for the upcoming year.

2. Discussion, Sewer Study. Will Buie, of William G. Lapsley and Associates, reviewed with Council the draft results of the sewer study. Mr. Buie discussed, in detail, the purpose, methodology, assumptions and parameters, estimated costs, possible funding sources, and recommendations and conclusions for the sewer study. He also reviewed with Council the maps prepared for the study. Council agreed to review the information and provide any feedback to Mr. Ball to include in finishing the study.
3. Discussion, general review of Town ordinances for the Tuesday work session.
 - Nuisances Dangerous or Prejudicial to Public Health or Public Safety

Mr. Ball stated that, because of all the activities related with the ice storm clean up and budget preparation, staff had not had the opportunity to work on the ordinance. He recommended the scheduled special work session for Tuesday, April 20, 2010 at 10:00 a. m. be cancelled.

Commissioner Vickery moved to cancel the work session. Mayor Johnson asked for discussion; there was none. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

4. Discussion, Laurel Park vacancy on the Henderson County Historical Commission. Council discussed the vacancy on the Henderson County Historical Commission. Paul Hansen volunteered to attend the meetings on behalf of Laurel Park until a replacement could be found.
5. Discussion, update Old Lake Property. Mr. Ball informed Council that there was no new information on the condemnation action for the Old Lake Property. He had spoken with Town Attorney Sam Neill and Mr. Neill planned to provide Council with an update at the Tuesday regular meeting.
6. Discussion, Ice Storm Clean-up. Mr. Ball stated that Asplundh was approximately 90% complete with the ice storm clean-up. Mr. Ball estimated the entire clean-up effort would cost approximately \$75,000 to \$78,000 and should be completed by the following week, weather permitting. The final phase for the clean up effort would be Asplundh using a bucket truck to cut broken limbs that could endanger traffic along Town right-of-ways.
7. Discussion, FY 2009-2010 budget amendment. Mr. Ball discussed with Council the impact on the FY 2009-2010 budget as a result of the harsh winter ice and snow storms. A budget amendment would be discussed at the special budget work session scheduled for April 22, 2010 at 9:30 a. m. at the Hendersonville Country Club.
8. Discussion, FY 2010-2011 budget preparation. Mr. Ball provided an overview for the Council and staff on the special budget work session scheduled for April 22, 2010 at 9:30 a. m. at the Hendersonville Country Club.

KEY DATES – The Council reviewed and discussed the following key date(s):

2010 Regional Legislative Meetings, Tuesday, April 20, 2010 from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the Asheville Civic Center.
 Budget Work Session, Thursday, April 22, 2010 at 9:30 am at the Hendersonville Club.
 Civic Association Annual Dinner, Thursday, June 10, 2010 at the Hendersonville Country Club.

There being no further business, Commissioner O’Cain moved to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem Cooke asked for discussion; there was none. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

 Henry T Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

 Kimberly B. Hensley, CMC
 Town Clerk

 Date