

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

The Laurel Park Town Council held an agenda work session in Town Hall on July 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 July 15, 2010, Council Agenda Work Session.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Mennella 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 July 20, 2010 Town Council regular meeting.

1. Consent Agenda

- a) Minutes from the June 15, 2010 Council Regular Meeting
- b) Minutes from the July 15, 2010 Council Work Session

2. Public Hearings – None

3. Old Business – None

4. New Business

Discussion, Resolution Opposing Federally Mandated Collective Bargaining

5. Town Manager’s Report

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

1. Discussion, FY 2009-2010 budget close out. Mr. Ball reviewed with Council the current close-out status for the FY 2009-2010 budget through the month of June. In broad terms, he stated that estimated revenues were nearly on track. The one revenue source that needed to be closely monitored was sales tax. He stated that, currently, he estimated expenditures would be under spent by approximately \$48,000. He stated that, at the August work session, he would review the figures with Council through the 13th month. He stated that he would continue a monthly update until the budget year transactions were complete.
2. Discussion, Board Member Oath of office. Mr. Ball stated that, in discussions with Keith Maddox, ABC Store Board Member, the State ABC Commission had reminded the local ABC Boards of the requirement to execute an oath of office for each appointee. Mr. Ball stated that in reviewing the State statutes, an oath of office was a requirement for all Board appointees. He and the Town Clerk would review all appointees and insure the requirements of the State statutes were met.

3. Discussion, Henderson County Stormwater Program. Mr. Ball stated that he met with Anthony Starr, Henderson County Planning Director. The County had offered to administer both Watershed rules and Post-Construction Stormwater rules throughout the County at no cost to the municipalities. Mr. Ball presented the Council with an information paper on the subject. He fully supported the action. Anthony Starr would attend the August work session to answer questions from the Council.
4. Discussion, Town Medical Program. Mr. Ball stated that, during the current year's budget process, it was discussed that the Town's medical program should be reviewed in its entirety. It will be put on next month's work session agenda.
5. Discussion, Town Ordinance review. Mr. Ball stated that staff and Council would, again, begin the overall review of Town ordinances being next month. The action was suspended during budget preparations.
6. Discussion, Road maintenance program. Mr. Ball reviewed several minor road maintenances objectives for the fall. The majority of any resurfacing projects would be scheduled for the spring.
7. Discussion, Parks and Greenways Board. Mr. Ball stated that the Parks and Greenways Board would like to meet with Council at the August work session to review upcoming projects. Council concurred.
8. Discussion, Laurel View Farms. Scott Gillespie, owner of the property initially referred to as Laurel View Farms, discussed with Council the current status of the project. He proposed the idea of adding an assisted living facility as a part of the project and also that a portion of the project would include independent living cottages. A broad range of topics were discussed on the developer's proposal to include, certificate of need for the proposed assisted living facility, zoning requirements, and watershed rules. Major Johnson stated that Council would like the opportunity to review the proposal and, at a later date, have further discussions with the developer, as needed.
9. Update Old Lake Property. Mr. Ball stated he did not have any additional information on the property.

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

Civic Association Civic Association, Bluegrass on the Rock, Saturday, July 17, 2010 at 7:30 p. m. at Jump Off Rock.

Henderson County Chamber of Commerce, "Pig Pickin", Thursday, July 22, 2010 at 5:00 p. m. at the Cedars.

Land-of-Sky Regional Council, Mayors' Cup Raft Race, Sunday, August 15, 2010 at 3:30 p. m. at the French Board River Park on Amboy Road.

There being no further business, Commissioner Cooke moved to adjourn. Mayor Johnson 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