

**MINUTES OF THE AGENDA WORK SESSION
OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF LAUREL PARK, N.C.
May 14, 2009
9:30 P. M.**

The Laurel Park Town Council held an agenda work session in Town Hall on May 14, 2009 at 9:30 a. m. The following members were present: Mayor Henry T. Johnson, Commissioner Richard P. Cooke, Commissioner Keith A. Maddox, and Commissioner Robert O. Vickery. Commissioner Dona M. Mennella was absent. Town Manager Jim Ball was also present.

Mayor Johnson called to order the May 14, 2009, Council Agenda Work Session.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Maddox 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 May 19, 2009 Town Council regular meeting.

1) Consent Agenda

- a) Minutes from the April 21, 2009, Council Regular Meeting
- b) Minutes from the April 21, 2009, Council Special Work Session – Town Ordinances
- c) Minutes from the April 28, 2009, Council Special Work Session – Budget
- d) Minutes from the May 14, 2009, Council Work Session

2) Public Hearings

Voluntary annexation request from Sidney E. Kirkley and Margaret A. Kirkley, pursuant to G. S. 160A-31

3) Old Business

Consideration, An Ordinance to Extend the Corporate Limits of the Town of Laurel Park, by voluntary annexation request from Sidney E. Kirkley and Margaret A. Kirkley, pursuant to G. S. 160A-31

4) New Business

- a) FY 2009-2010 Budget Memorandum
- b) Consideration, to set a public hearing, as required by NC G. S. 159-12, for June 16, 2009 at 9:30 a. m. in the Laurel Park Town Hall to allow for public comment on the proposed FY 2009-2010 budget
- c) Consideration, Town audit contract with Burleson & Earley, P. A.
- d) Consideration, Road Construction and Rights-of-Way Ordinance
- e) Consideration, Resolution in Support of a Regional Recreational Greenway
- f) Consideration, Resolution for Sewer Project Funding to the North Carolina Clean Water State Revolving Fund

5) Town Manager's Report

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

1. Discussion, FY 2008-2009 execution status. Mr. Ball reviewed, with Council, the current execution status for the FY 2008-2009 budget with Council through the month of April. In broad terms, he stated that he estimated an approximate \$52,215 shortfall in revenues. The revenue source that showed the most significant shortfall was sales tax. He presented a list of items which totaled approximately \$71,500 that would not to be executed without Council approval. He also stated that, at the June work session, he would refine the figures and show a more overall execution status for the FY 2008-2009 budget.
2. Discussion, stimulus application for sewer project. Mr. Ball informed Council that the Town's application for funding a gravity sewer project from Fleetwood to Cedarbrook (Laurel Park Highway "backbone") was not funded on the State released first-round notifications on April 27, 2009. Mr. Ball stated that the application request was for \$2,023,530 and that the second-round notifications of funding were set for release on July 1, 2009.
3. Discussion, board member appointments. The Council discussed an upcoming vacancy on the ABC Board. A couple of names were discussed and the Mayor stated he would talk with the current ABC Board Chairman and the applicant before any final decisions were made.
4. Discussion, general review of Town ordinances for the Tuesday work session.
 - Chapter 7, Article 1, Parks

Mr. Ball presented a copy of the ordinance that Council would review at the special work session scheduled for Tuesday, May 19, 2009 at 10:00 am.

5. Discussion, update Old Lake Property. Mayor Johnson stated that, on November 18, 2008, the Town mailed 111 deeds to affected property owners and that 110 of these deeds had been executed and returned. Town Attorney, Sam Neill, informed Mayor Johnson and Mr. Ball that all 110 executed and returned deeds had been recorded. The Town prepared and delivered to Town Attorney, Sam Neill, the checks requested by him to cover the associated costs of filing the condemnation action.
6. Discussion, Crystal Spring lot. Mr. Ball informed Council that, at the May 4, 2009 Henderson County Board of Commissioners Meeting, the County Commissioners voted 5-0 to deed PIN 95-5887-0042 (REID #0110615) to the Town of Laurel Park for use by the public for the sum of \$1.00. The County Attorney will prepare the appropriate documentation. Mayor Johnson stated the property would make a nice addition to the Crystal Spring Park as open space.
7. Discussion, County antenna site upgrade. Mr. Ball informed Council that this issue was scheduled to be on the consent agenda at the Henderson County Board of Commissioners Meeting on May 20, 2009.
8. Discussion, real property located at 1810 Laurel Park Highway. Mr. Ball stated to Council that he had received the keys from James Garrison, owner of the property next to Town Hall. Several Council members had viewed the property. Mr. Garrison stated the asking price for the property was \$132,900. After a brief discussion, Council directed Mr. Ball to contact Mr. Garrison and let him know that the Town had no current interest in the property.

9. Discussion, Henderson's County 2009 Ten year Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan. Mr. Ball presented each member of Council a copy of the Henderson County 2009 Ten year Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan for review. Will Sager, Solid Waste Manager for Henderson County, would attend the June work session to answer any questions Council might have. The County will hold a public hearing on the Triennial Update of the Henderson County Ten Year Solid Waste Management Plan on May 20, 2009.

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

Mayor's Raft Race tentatively scheduled for June 7, 2009.
Land of Sky annual dinner at Taylor Ranch on October 7, 2009.

There being no further business, Commissioner Maddox 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