

TOWN OF GRIFTON
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
May 9, 2006

Present: Mayor Billy Ray Jackson; Commissioners Bill Smith, Johnny Craft, Richard Hill, Ardathy Spikes; Administrator Shawn Condon; Clerk Angel Hudson.
Absent: Commissioner Billy Kornegay.

7:00 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing of the Town of Grifton was held on May 9, 2006 in the Town Hall

The Public Hearing was called to order by Mayor Billy Ray Jackson.

Purpose: To receive public comment on the CDBG Hwy 11 Sewer Project closeout.

Randy Bowers, with the Wooten Company, was present to discuss the closeout documentation of the project. He stated that all obligations of the grant have been fulfilled and the project came in under budget.

After Board discussion, the Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

7:30 REGULAR MEETING MAY 9, 2006

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Billy Ray Jackson.

Mayor Jackson led the Board of Commissioners in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

Minutes approved as written on a motion by Commissioner Craft. Seconded by Commissioner Spikes. Motion carried.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

Joyce Jones of 6941 Martin Luther King Dr. Grifton, NC came before the Board to voice several concerns regarding the family-day event that was held on August 20, 2005 in Mattie's Mini Park. She presented a memo to the Board stating that she was at this function and was not aware of any incidents mentioned by Chief Morrisette. She asked the Board to require evidence of incidents before making any decisions regarding future events at the park.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Hill made a motion to approve the consent agenda with the addition of #7. Seconded by Commissioner Spikes for the following items:
Motion carried.

1. Action to schedule a Public Hearing on May 22nd at 6:00 p.m. to amend the Grifton Zoning Ordinance to allow day care facilities as a conditional use in the B-1 District and establish guidelines for the conditional use of day care facilities.
2. Action to schedule Public Hearing on May 22nd at 6:15 p.m. to consider rezoning request from Moore & Associates / High Meadows, LLC for Pitt County parcel #'s 47106 and 16382.
3. Action to schedule budget workshop on May 22nd at 6:30p.m.
4. Action to approve Resolution of Intent amending the Town of Grifton Charter to the Council-Manager form of government and scheduling a Public Hearing regarding the proposed change for June 6th at 6:15 p.m.
5. Action to approve Audit Contract for FY 2005-2006 audit between the Town of Grifton and Pittard, Perry, and Crone.
6. Action to approve Budget Amendments and Adjustments.
7. Action to approve CDBG Hwy 11 Sewer Project closeout and approve Resolution for the CDBG closeout, Project Ordinance and other related documentation.

CONSIDERATON/ACTION ITEMS

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the 2006 Clean Water Bond Resolution to urge the N.C. General Assembly to enact a \$1 billion bond bill in the 2006 session to fund construction and repair urgently need water, sewer, and stormwater facilities. Seconded by Commissioner Hill. Motion carried.

A consideration item from Richie Huggins regarding budgeting to pay umpires was discussed. The Board recommended that it be applied to the GBIA funding and the recreation committee needs to decide how the funds are allotted.

A proposal from Mike Gaskins was submitted for ditch cutting. After a lengthy discussion it was decided to table this issue.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to schedule a Public Hearing for FY 2007 Budget on Tuesday, June 13th at 7:00. Seconded by Commissioner Spikes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Spikes made a motion to schedule a special meeting on Tuesday, June 27th at 7:30 p.m. to adopt FY 2007 Budget, FY 2006 Budget Admendments, and FY 2007 Fee Schedule. Seconded by Commissioner Hill. Motion carried.

Bob Clark was unable to attend the meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES:

Administrator Condon ask the Board to consider building 2 houses on Birchwood instead of 1 on Pitt St. and 1 on Birchwood in order to go ahead and get the project started. The site on Pitt St. has posed a problem because part of the lot is in the floodplain and the specs for the house would have to be redone because the house would have to be elevated.

The Board asked Administrator Condon to investigate putting the house on another part of the lot.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Smith stated that Administrator Condon's 1 year anniversary is coming up on May 16, 2006 and his salary should be put on an annual basis.

Commissioner Craft would like to enter into a closed session and limbs that are hanging over signs need to be cut.

Commissioner Hill congratulated Angel Hudson on a fine job and he would also like to enter into closed session.

Commissioner Spikes thanked Angel Hudson and Administrator Condon on a good job they are doing. She also thanked Mrs. Joyce Jones for attending the meetings and voicing her concerns.

Commissioner Hill made a motion to enter into closed session to discuss personnel. Seconded by Commissioner Spikes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hill made a motion to come out of closed session. Seconded by Commissioner Craft. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted
Angel Hudson
Clerk