

Town Of Oakboro

Board of Commissioners
Minutes
Monday October 3, 2011
6:15 Briefing
7:00 PM Meetings

The Board of Commissioners met in a regular meeting that followed a Public Hearing but had a briefing beginning at 6:15 PM in the Oakboro Town Hall. Present were Commissioners Ernest Broadway, Georgia Harvey, Roy Helms, Ted Parker and Terry Whitley. Ross Holshouser was also present. Mayor Joyce H. Little presided.

During the briefing period, no relevant discussions took place.

Mayor Little called the meeting to order. Commissioner Harvey gave the devotion.

Mayor Little then opened the floor for David Deese from Congressman Kissle's office. He reminded the Board that their doors are always open to listen and thanked them for their continued support.

Commissioner Helms made a motion to accept the agenda. Commissioner Harvey seconded and the motion passed.

Commissioner Harvey made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 6th and 13th meetings. Commissioner Broadway seconded and the motion passed.

Commissioner Parker made the motion to pay the accounts payable in the amount of \$136,038.63. Commissioner Whitley seconded and the motion passed.

No one spoke during the open forum.

Mayor Little asked for a decision regarding the Public Hearings held.

Commissioner Whitley made a motion to adopt the text amendment regarding the change in ratio from the ETJ to the Town Limits residences affecting the membership. Commissioner Harvey seconded and the motion passed.

Commissioner Parker made a motion to adopt the text amendment regarding the noise and sound level ordinance to require permits for amplified sound. Commissioner Helms seconded and the motion passed.

The topic of radio read meter financing came up, the financing had gone through and the meters were in the process of being purchased. The installation should begin within the next month with the majority being installed by employees and some of the areas being installed would be contracted out. There are 750 meters being purchased. Commissioner Whitley asked if the purchase fell in line with what had been budgeted and Ross stated that it had.

The next item, regarding the Audit, concerned the fact that the McCoy's Creek Pump Station and Force Main Project required a separate audit that was outside the scope of work in the original contract with the Auditor. A new contract had been provided and Mayor Little asked what the boards pleasure was concerning this additional cost.

Commissioner Whitley made a motion to allow Mayor Little to sign the contract with Carrick that included the additional audit of the McCoy's Creek Pump Station and Force Main Project. Commissioner Parker seconded and the motion passed.

There were no updates or issues regarding the Cemetery.

The annual appointment for the Fireman's relief board came to the Board for approval.
Commissioner Helms made a motion to approve Ed Hill and Barry Smith as the representatives for the Fireman's Relief Board. Commissioner Harvey seconded and the motion passed.

Mayor Little then introduced the proposed amendment and ordinance regarding tobacco use in and on Town Property.
Commissioner Whitley made a motion to table the discussion to the next meeting. Commissioner Helms seconded and the motion passed.

Deputy Lieutenant Curlee gave the Police Update on behalf of the Chief.

Larry Branch updated the Board on the progress at the park. The Tot lots had been installed and are able to be used now.

The Board had discussed in the past the need to charge teams for practice on the District Park fields. There are many teams switching to our fields to use them just for practice because we don't charge, but not utilizing them for any games or tournaments.

After some discussion determining who should be charged and under what circumstances, the following motion was made.

Commissioner Whitley made a motion to charge \$10/hr. for the use of the fields for practice to anyone other than the Oakboro Youth League. Commissioner Helms seconded and the motion passed.

After discussion regarding the Amphitheater and the restoration necessary to return it to it's original state, the following motion was made.

Commissioner Harvey made a motion to proceed with Wohlmas @ \$170 / 5gal. and have the maintenance staff do it. Commissioner Whitley seconded and the motion passed.

Commissioner Helms asked that the sidewalk on the opposite side of the road from Wayside be repaired. His wife had fallen and broken her arm on a section that had lifted due to a tree root and didn't want someone else to hurt themselves. He also mentioned that he and Commissioner Broadway would go around and find potholes and provide a list to Ross.

Commissioner Harvey asked for Ross to get quotes to lay sidewalk to the school on the West side of Main Street. She would also like to have the Recycling dates sent out to the public via Black Board Connect on the week of pick up and also have the dates put on the water bill.

Ross stated that the leaf pick-up dates were set for November 29 and December 19 with a January or February date forthcoming. He also said that the dates for Recycling are always placed on the sign at the Memorial Park every month as well.

Larry Branch stated that the McCoy's Creek project final inspection would take place on Oct. 25 @ 10 am.

The Board has the need to adopt a sewer use ordinance. The original one is severely out of date. Commissioner Whitley stated that he had not had a chance to review the topic adequately and needs to be tabled to next meeting.

A request from Mrs. Swaringen regarding the sewer she had been being charged for failure to hook on was discussed. The topic needed a bit more research.

Commissioner Harvey made a motion to table the topic until an estimate for labor is available. Commissioner Whitley seconded and the motion passed.

Commissioner Whitley made a motion to hold a special meeting Tuesday October 11, 2011 at 5:30 pm to discuss the tabled topics. Commissioner Parker seconded and the motion passed.

Commissioner Whitley asked P&Z Chairman Allan McGuire how the board was coming on the density determinations and guidelines. Allan stated that the item was on their agenda for the next meeting and discussions were going well.

Ross reminded the Board and public that the 30 day billing cycle would begin in January and that the budgeted clarifier replacement was being installed.

The Mayors comments included a thanks to Mr. Deese for coming. She also recognized Meares Heustess from AWS and reminded everyone that they donate \$.50 per pink can picked up to Breast Cancer research. She reminded people about the GOBA meeting at noon on Thursday and thanked Larry Branch for going to the Liaison meeting.

Commissioner Whitley made a motion to go into executive session. Commissioner Harvey seconded and the meeting went to executive session.

Commissioner Broadway made a motion to return to open session. Commissioner Parker seconded and the motion passed.

While in closed session the board discussed the janitorial services needed for the Town and it's facilities.

Commissioner Whitley made a motion to have Ross get information on cleaning services versus hiring an employee, with prices for both options. Commissioner Parker seconded and the motion passed.

Commissioner Broadway made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Parker seconded and the meeting adjourned.

Joyce H. Little, Mayor

Whitney Mackey, Clerk