

**CITY OF LAURINBURG
AGENDA WORKSHOP
MARCH 9, 2010
W. CHARLES BARRETT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
305 WEST CHURCH ST.
LAURINBURG, NC
7:00 P.M.**

Minutes

The City Council of the City of Laurinburg held an agenda meeting March 9, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room of the W. Charles Barrett Administration Building with the Honorable Matthew Block, Mayor, presiding. The following Councilmembers were present: Curtis B. Leak, Kenton Spencer and Amanda Doerffel. Councilmembers Thomas W. Parker, III and Herbert M. Rainer, Jr. were absent.

Also present were: Edward F. Burchins, City Manager, Dolores A. Hammond, City Clerk and Charles L. Hicks, Jr., Assistant City Attorney.

Mayor Block called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember Doerffel gave the invocation.

The City Manager reviewed the consent agenda and items for the upcoming March 16, 2010 regular meeting.

1. Consent Agenda

- a. Minutes from the meetings of November 10, 2009 workshop; November 17, 2009 organizational meeting; November 17, 2009 regular meeting
- b. Accept low bidder, Utilities Plus, Inc. in the amount of \$384,514.80, for Creedle and Morris Streets Sewer Improvements
- c. Set public hearing on request to rezone from Residential-15/General Business to Residential-6 a 44.08 acre tract of land adjacent to College Park Subdivision
- d. Set public hearing on request for a conditional use permit to develop a single family subdivision on a 44.08 acre tract of land adjacent to College Park Subdivision
- e. Resolution No. R-2010-06 authorizing Mayor to sign easement to DOT for bridge repair at Shoe Heel Creek

There was no discussion regarding the above items listed on the proposed consent agenda. The below items are for review and discussion:

2. Ordinance No. O-2010-05 which rezones an 8.97 acre tract of land off McColl Road from General Business to Residential-15
 - a. *No Discussion-public hearing*
3. Ordinance No. O-2010-06 which rezones a 1.38 acre tract of land along 401 South (McColl Rd.) from General Business to Industrial
 - a. *No Discussion-public hearing*
4. Consider request for a conditional use permit to operate a carnival at 900 US 15/401 By-pass
 - a. *Conditional use permit required due to carnival end date*
5. Resolution No. R-2010-07 approving the City of Laurinburg Water Response Plan
 - a. *No Discussion-public hearing*
6. Authorize Mayor to execute agreement between the North Carolina Department of Transportation and the City of Laurinburg for the replacement on Bridge #81 on Commonwealth Avenue over Leith Creek in Laurinburg
 - a. *Every two years bridges have to be inspected by NCDOT – City will pay 20% of repair - move to consent agenda*
7. Report on ElectriCities regarding industrial park site development plan-
 - a. *ElectriCities has agreed to fund the costs for an industrial park site development plan - will attend April meeting - remove from agenda*

8. Animal Control Officer position
 - a. Revaluation *has been completed - Reduced from Grade 12 to 10 - remove from agenda - will be filled*
9. Market Furniture Building
 - a. *Need to draft letter that City does not want building - remove from agenda and send letter*
10. Request to lift hiring freeze for Telecommunications position in the Laurinburg Police Department
 - a. *Has not been filled for six weeks - administrative assistant retired - moved records clerk to position - moved dispatcher to records clerk - need to fill telecommunicator position - consensus that position be filled - remove from agenda*
11. Fire Contract discussion
 - a. *Two districts that City provides fire service in County - contracts received from County - contracts to be reviewed and brought back to Council at a later date - remove from agenda*
12. Local Government Commission (LGC) Response - City Audit
 - a. *Received letter from LGC congratulating fund balance has grown - LGC feels City needs to progress more - continue to raise revenues and cut expenditures - remove from agenda - note that most ElectriCities have fund balance of 38.7% - sent Electric Transfer Policy to LGC-Laurinburg has fund balance policy in place - remove from agenda - information only*
13. Discussion between the City of Laurinburg and the Scotland County Commissioners regarding a community center
 - a. *Manager has had discussion with Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee and the City and County should participate in building a community and recreation center - discussions between the Advisory Committee and Parks and Recreation recommended that County's portion be put in next year's fiscal budget - \$5,000 from both the City and County - draft Budget Ordinance Amendment transferring from contingency to non-departmental-contract services-recreation for \$5,000.00-to be put on consent agenda*
14. Resignation from the Laurinburg Beautification Committee - Mrs. Debbie Grant
 - a. *Has resigned and recommends Sandy Skamperle to serve as representative from the Board of Realtors*
15. Appointment to Laurinburg Beautification Committee
 - a. *Appoint Sandy Skamperle to Laurinburg Beautification Committee*
16. Laurinburg Youth Council
 - a. *Youth Council still being organized - appointments are not ready for agenda - remove from agenda*

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Spencer, seconded by Councilmember Doerffel, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Matthew Block, Mayor

Dolores A. Hammond, City Clerk