

**CITY OF LAURINBURG
AGENDA WORKSHOP
OCTOBER 12, 2010
W. CHARLES BARRETT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
305 WEST CHURCH STREET
LAURINBURG, NC
7:00 P.M.**

Minutes

The City Council of the City of Laurinburg held an agenda meeting October 12, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room of the W. Charles Barrett Administration Building with the Honorable Thomas W. Parker, II, Mayor Pro Tem presiding. The following Councilmembers were present: Curtis B. Leak, Kenton Spencer and Davian LaJoyce "Joy" Ellison. Mayor Matthew Block and Councilmember 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 Pro Tem Parker called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Councilmember Parker gave the invocation.

The City Manager reviewed the upcoming agenda for the October 19, 2010 regular meeting.

1. Consent Agenda
 - a. a. Minutes from the meetings of March 8, 9, 16, and 18, 2010; March 18, 2010 (citizen input session); April 13 and 20, 2010; May 11, 18, 25 and 26 (joint meeting with Scotland County), 2010; and June 1, 4, 7, 9, 21, 22, and 28, 2010
Attorney has reviewed minutes.
2. Phoenix Development Corporation - Dr. J. Michael Rush
Council asked to be sure that the Corporation has a copy of its 401(3)(c) documentation.
3. Quarterly Report from Laurinburg Downtown Revitalization Corporation - Mary Robinson
No discussion.
4. Quarterly Report from Laurinburg/Scotland County Area Chamber of Commerce - Theresa Lamson
No discussion.
5. Award bid for engineering services for Scottish Glen Phase II
Wampler Engineering is the recommended company to be awarded bid.
6. Ordinance No. O-2010-22 which amends Chapter 10, Article I, In General, Section 10-1 Definitions
Will amend to allow "Baby Plots" in Hillside Memorial Park. Citizens have asked the Cemetery Department to provide baby plots.
7. Consider revising the City of Laurinburg Schedule of Fees to include fees for a Baby Plot section for Hillside Memorial Park
Fees will be \$110.00 for Baby Plot and a \$40.00 fee for Perpetual Care for a total of \$150.00 per plot.
8. Consider Contract for Fire Protection Service between the City of Laurinburg and Scotland County and authorize Mayor and City Clerk to execute
This item was put on hold pending discussions, and it is time for Council to consider.
9. Consider request to send out bid packet to purchase new fire truck
*Interim Fire Chief John Evans explained that the City owns three fire trucks with one out of service and one beyond repair. The remaining truck is the ladder truck. An independent company has determined that two of the fire trucks would cost over \$84,000.00 to repair.
The City Manager requested that staff be allowed to bid out new truck to see if it could be included in the current budget.
Consensus among Council is to discuss this item at the November meeting.*
10. Proposed closing of rail crossing on Biggs Street

Consensus is to leave open.

11. Update on butane transfer station located near US 74 Business East and Kiser Road
The City Manager stated that a transfer station is being built where liquid butane can be off loaded from rail to trucks. He also stated that there are safety concerns and that there could be a zoning issue.
12. Discussion about detail of minutes
*Mayor concerned about length and detail of minutes as well as time it takes to prepare minutes.
Consensus is to continue minutes as provided by Clerk.*
13. City of Laurinburg Youth Council Members and Chairman to expire one year from appointment
Councilmember Spencer stated that there are over 20 applications. An official swearing in ceremony will be held at a later date. Council needs to appoint members and also a Chair.

CLOSED SESSION

At 7:58 p.m. motion was made by Councilmember Parker, seconded by Councilmember Spencer, and unanimously carried to go into closed session pursuant to General Statute 143-318.11(a) (3) for the purpose of consulting with attorneys employed by and/or retained by the City in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorneys and the City regarding possible litigation.

At 8:17 p.m., motion was made by Councilmember Parker, seconded by Councilmember Spencer, and unanimously carried to adjourn the closed session and resume the open meeting.

RECESS

Motion was made by Councilmember Parker, seconded by Councilmember Spencer, and unanimously carried to recess until Wednesday, October 13, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the conference room of the W. Charles Barrett Building located at 305 West Church St.

The meeting recessed at 8:18 p.m.

Matthew Block, Mayor Dolores A. Hammond, City Clerk