

Town of Carrboro

Town Hall 301 W. Main St. Carrboro, NC 27510

Meeting Minutes Board of Aldermen

Tuesday, February 28, 2017

7:30 PM

Board Chambers - Room 110

Present: Mayor Lydia Lavelle, Alderman Damon Seils, Alderman Sammy Slade, Alderman Bethany Chaney, Alderman Michelle Johnson

Absent: Alderman Jacquelyn Gist, Alderman Randee Haven-O'Donnell

Also Present: Catherine Dorando, Town Clerk, Nick Herman, Town Attorney

Also Absent: David Andrews, Town Manager

RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, POETRY READINGS, AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Gary Phillips, the Town's poet laureate, read a poem by Suzy Patlove called "Poor Patriarch."

ANNOUNCEMENT OF UPCOMING MEETINGS

Catherine Dorando, Town Clerk, announced the upcoming public meetings.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 7, 2017 AND FEBRUARY 14, 2017

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN SLADE, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN CHANEY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 7, 2017 AND FEBRUARY 14, 2017, AS AMENDED. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE FIVE, ABSENT TWO (GIST, HAVEN-O'DONNELL)

PRESENTATION ON ORANGE COUNTY REVALUATION

Dwayne Brinson, the County's Tax Administrator, presented the report of the County's recent revaluation process and findings to the Board of Aldermen.

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PUBLIC HEARING TO OBTAIN COMMENT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF BODY WORN CAMERAS (BWC) BY THE CARRBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT

The purpose of this item was for the Board of Aldermen to hold a public hearing to receive comments from the public regarding the implementation of body worn cameras by the police department and how the new law N.C.G.S.132-1.4A will affect disclosure and release of recordings including in-car recordings.

Police Chief Walter Horton presented the staff report.

Mayor Lavelle opened the public hearing.

Braxton Foushee stated that he opposed an officer having the opportunity to review the video footage before they write their official incident report. Chief Horton stated that it is necessary to have the facts straight in the report and that the officer would only review the report to ensure that the written report accurately reflects the footage. Alderman Seils clarified that if there is an officer involved shooting then the police officer will not be able to view the video prior to completing their report.

Nick Herman, the Town's attorney, stated that he wanted to add language to section VIII (A) to read "or as otherwise authorized by law." The new subsection would read: "Disclosure or releases of recordings will be governed by the procedures outlined in NCGS 132-1.4 A. or as otherwise authorized by law. It is the policy of the Town of Carrboro that the police department will have a strong presumption in favor of disclosure."

Alderman Seils asked that the policy and the disclosure request form be available on the town's website.

Alderman Chaney suggested that the Police Chief report back in one year after implementation on how the policy is working. She stated that she would like to know about compliance issues, training value, number of disclosure requests, and how they have been handled. She stated that she would also be interested in situations where an outcome has changed because of the use of video. She stated that she is in support of the policy.

Alderman Slade stated that he feels that the state statute regulating the release of the video limits the accountability of justice and for that reason he does not support the use of police body cameras in the town at this point.

Nick Herman, the Town's attorney, stated that he believes that either the Town Manager or the governing board should be able to review recordings for the purpose of ensuring that the Police Department is performing its duties properly as a personnel issue and suggesting striking the sentence in section VI (F) "Recordings made with this equipment are not public records."

Alderman Johnson stated that she likes the idea of a report in a year. She stated that she is in support of the policy.

Mayor Lavelle stated that she supports the policy and acknowledged how it is limited by the general statutes.

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The Mayor closed the public hearing.

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN SEILS, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN CHANEY TO:

1) AMEND THE POLICY AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TOWN ATTORNEY AS SHOWN BELOW:

VI.

F. Delete last sentence: Recordings made with this equipment are not public records.

VIII. Disclosure or Release of Recordings

- A.Disclosure or releases of recordings will be governed by the procedures outlined in NCGS 132-1.4 A. or as otherwise authorized by law. It is the policy of the Town of Carrboro that the police department will have a strong presumption in favor of disclosure.
- 2) AUTHORIZE THE APPROVAL OF THE BODY WORN CAMERA POLICY AS PRESENTED IN THE AGENDA ITEM
- 3) HAVE A REPORT FROM THE POLICE CHIEF AFTER ONE YEAR OF USE
- 4) HAVE A RESOLUTION, IF NECESSARY, BROUGHT BACK BY THE TOWN MANAGER FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE CAMERAS.

VOTE:

AYE: Alderman Chaney, Alderman Seils, Mayor Lavelle and Alderman Johnson

NAY: Alderman Slade

ABSENT: Alderman Gist and Alderman Haven-O'Donnell

PUBLIC HEARING ON SPACE NEEDS STUDY AND TOWN BUILDINGS CONDITION ASSESSMENT

The purpose of this agenda item was to provide the Mayor and Board members an opportunity to receive the final draft of a Space Needs Study and Town Buildings Condition Assessment.

Trish McGuire, the Planning Director, introduced the item.

A representative of the consulting firm, Creech and Associates, then provided the report to the Board of Aldermen.

Alderman Slade stated that he wants the Town to consider a lifecycle cost in regards to energy efficiency.

There were no comments provided from the public.

The Town Manager will continue to work with an architect to gather additional information to report back to the Board at a later date.

CONSIDERATION OF TOWN CODE AMENDMENTS TO MODIFY LIVESTOCK PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO CHICKENS AND RABBITS

The purpose of this agenda item was for the Board of Aldermen to consider amendments to the Town Code Amendments pertaining to chicken and rabbits.

Tina Moon, the Town's Planning Administrator, and Jeff Kleaveland, the Planner/Zoning Development Specialist, provided the staff report.

Alderman Chaney asked what else the Town needed to know regarding slaughter and stated that the definition of "fully enclosed structure" may need to be addressed. Jeff Kleaveland stated that adding further information may be needed. She asked if there could be an accessory use allowance for the sale of eggs. The Board stated that there is an interest to review the possible sale of eggs.

Alderman Seils stated that the current Town Code already allows the keeping of fowl and the slaughter of animals on their property. He stated that this amendment is about addressing the number of fowl as they pertain to lot size.

Mayor Lavelle opened the public hearing.

Justin Van Kleek, a resident of 87 Ranger Road, Chatham County, stated that he runs a 501(c)(3) with his wife and that he sees a lot of fowl that they have to rescue. He asked the Board to consider allowing roosters because the inability to keep roosters in town means that people set them free in the woods and they get sick and diseased. He stated that the requirements for the coop sizes are inadequate.

Alderman Johnson suggested a mandatory training course prior to receiving a permit for the chickens. The Board agreed with this and requested further information. She stated that the course would offer additional educational opportunity for those interested in keeping fowl.

Alderman Chaney stated that she is concerned about the comments received where people are uncomfortable with having chickens next door and she stated that she wants to make sure that there is a method of recourse that neighbors feel comfortable with. She also expressed concern with the public health issue related to slaughter and asked the Board to cite any regulations in the ordinance. She stated that she is also concerned about the rooster provision and stated that she is unsure how to remedy that issue but that they are not pleasant.

Bob Morotto, the County Animal Services Director, explained the permitting and compliance process. He also suggested that the Animal Control Board work by reaching out to the Cooperative Extension Agency and to various farm organizations in Orange County.

Mayor Lavelle closed the public hearing.

AMENDMENT OF TOWN CODE CHAPTER 10 – ANIMAL CONTROL Ordinance No. 13/2016-17

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN SLADE, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN JOHNSON TO APPROVE THE MODIFICATION OF THE TOWN CODE - ANIMAL CONTROL CHAPTER 10 – AS PRESENTED IN THE PACKET AND ATTACHED TO THE MINUTES AND TO REFER THIS ITEM TO THE ANIMAL CONTROL APPEALS ADVISORY BOARD FOR FUTURE INFORMATION ON HOW TO INCLUDE AN EDUCATIONAL COMPONENT TO THE PERMITTING PROCESS AND FOR STAFF TO BRING BACK A FUTURE ITEM ON THE DEFINITION OF "FULLY ENCLOSED STRUCTURE" AND ADDITIONAL LEGAL INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE FOR SLAUGHTER AND TO AMEND THE WORD "UNSPRAYED" TO "UNSPAYED." VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE FIVE, ABSENT TWO (GIST, HAVEN-O'DONNELL)

CHAPTER 10

ANIMAL CONTROL

(Amend. 2-15-2017)

On January 21, 2016 the Orange County Board of County Commissioners adopted a Unified Animal Control Ordinance with an effective date of March 1, 2016. The Town of Carrboro Board of Aldermen has adopted a Resolution authorizing the enforcement of the Unified Animal Control Ordinance in Carrboro's corporate limits with the exception of the sections below. As to matters covered by the sections below, the provisions apply in Carrboro's corporate limits. Otherwise, the Orange County Unified Animal Control Ordinance (UAO) applies in Carrboro.

Article I – Definitions Section 10-1 Definitions

Article II – Taxation and Tags Section 10-2 Privilege Tax on Dogs and Cats

Article III – Livestock and Wild Animals Section 10-3 Permits

Section 10-4 Feeding of Deer Prohibited

Article IV – Regulation and Control

Section 10-5 Dogs Prohibited Within Farmers Market

Section 10-5.1 Dog Owners Required to Remove Feces Deposited by Dogs

Section 10-5.2 Tethering of Dogs Generally Prohibited (Created 9/13/11)

Article V – Appeals

Section 10-6 Appeals

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

Section 10-1 Definitions

Unless otherwise specifically provided or unless otherwise clearly required by the context, the following words and phrases shall have the meaning indicated when used in this chapter:

- (1) *Domesticated Livestock*: Animals raised for the production of meat, milk, eggs, fiber or used for draft or equestrian purposes, including but not limited to horses, mules, cows, pigs, goats, llamas, ostriches, sheep, fowl such as chickens, turkeys, ducks, etc. (also referred to as poultry), rabbits, and all other animals that typically are kept primarily for productive or useful purposes rather than as pets.
- (2) *Tether*: To restrain a dog outdoors by means of a rope, chain, wire, or other line, one end of which is fastened to the dog and the other end of which is connected to a stationary object or to a cable trolley system. (This definition excludes walking a dog with a handheld leash). (Created 9/13/11).

ARTICLE II

TAXATION AND TAGS

Section 10-2 Privilege Tax on Dogs and Cats

- (a) The owner of every dog or cat over four (4) months of age that is kept within the town shall annually pay to the town (through Orange County Animal Control) a tax on the privilege of keeping such animal within the town.
- (b) The amount of the tax shall be established annually as part of the annual budget ordinance adoption process.
- (c) In order to further the goal of controlling animal population, the tax on unsprayed or un-neutered dogs and cats shall be higher than that of spayed or neutered animals.

ARTICLE III

DOMESTICATED LIVESTOCK AND WILD ANIMALS

Section 10-3 Permits:

(a) No person may keep or display within the town any wild or exotic animal as defined in Subsection 4-37(kk) and 4-37(o) of the UAO. In addition, no person may display snakes or reptiles of any kind.

- (b) No person may keep within the town any permissible domesticated livestock over four (4) months of age except in accordance with a permit issued pursuant to subsection (c).
- (c) Subject to the UAO and subsections (d) and (e) below, no permit may be issued for any domesticated livestock unless the applicant for the permit demonstrates that the livestock will be kept on a tract of land that satisfies each of the following conditions:
 - (1) The tract shall consist of at least 40,000 square feet of land under single ownership or control.
 - (2) There shall be at least 20,000 square feet of land per animal.
 - (3) No fence, coral, or other similar enclosure shall be erected within 15 feet of any property line.
 - (4) No barn, stable or similar structure used for the keeping of domesticated livestock other than fowl or rabbits shall be erected or maintained within 50 feet of any property line or street right-of-way.
- (d) The provisions of subsection (c)(3) and (c)(4) shall not preclude the establishment, with the consent of the affected adjoining property owners, of a commonly owned or used fence, barn or other enclosure, all of which is located along or near a common property line.
- (e) The provisions set forth above in (c)(1) and (c)(2) shall not apply to fowl and rabbits, provided, however, that a permit is required to keep fowl and rabbits within the town limits. Such permit is personal to the applicant to whom it is issued, and is not transferable to another property. No such permit may be issued for fowl or rabbits unless the provisions of subsection (e)(3) through (e)(7) are complied with and unless the permit applicant demonstrates compliance with the following conditions:
 - (1) The applicant shall submit with the application a drawing showing the location of the facilities, the shelter, coop (fowl) or hutch (rabbit), and associated enclosure for the run or pen subject to the dimensional requirements in the table below.

Type/Size of Facility	nber of Fowl/Rabbits		
	<u>3-5</u>	<u>6-10</u>	<u>11-20</u> **
Minimum coop/hutch Size in square feet (sf) (4 sf/fowl or rabbit)	12-20sf	24-40 sf	44-80 sf
Minimum run/pen size in square feet (sf) (6 sf flow or rabbit)	18-30 sf	36-60 sf	66-120 sf
Locational Requirements			
Coop/hutch and run/pen -property line setback	5 feet (rabbits) 0 feet (fowl)	10 feet	20 feet
Coop/hutch and run/pen -right-of-way setback	15 feet	20 feet	30 feet
Coop/hutch and run/pen -setback from nearest residence (other than the owner's)	30 feet	100 feet	100 feet

^{**}N.C. Gen. Stat. 160A-203.1, prohibits city ordinances from regulating standards of care for flocks of greater than 20 birds.

- (2) The following minimum standards apply to any facilities-shelter or enclosures associated with keeping fowl or rabbits:
 - a. Facilities shall provide adequate protection from adverse weather, predators and rodents.
 - b. Facilities shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition at all times.
 - c. Fowl and rabbits must at all times be contained within a run or pen unless the applicant constructs and installs a sufficient barrier to prevent fowl or rabbits from roaming beyond the confines of the subject property.
 - d. Fowl or rabbit food shall be kept in rodent-proof containers.
 - e. No fewer than three (3) fowl or rabbits are allowed.
 - f. All permits issued under this section are subject to annual review and inspection.

- g. If turkeys and/or geese are being kept, then the coop and run/pen size requirements shall be multiplied by two.
- (3) The keeping of fowl or rabbits shall be in accordance with all applicable State laws.
- (4) Such animals may be kept only (i) on a lot used for residential, educational, or day care purposes with written permission of the owner, if the owner is not the applicant, or (ii) on a common open space area within a residential development with the written permission of the owner of such common space land accompanied by a copy of the association minutes reflecting the approval decision.
- (5) Any sale of eggs produced on a residential lot must occur off-site, outside of residential zoning districts, and is subject to applicable provisions of the Town of Carrboro Land Use Ordinance for the district in which the lot is located.
- (6) It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or maintain on any lot with in the Town's corporate limits any rooster, duck, goose or other such bird or fowl that by loud and habitual crowing, quacking or honking or other manner constitutes a public nuisance. Failure to abate such nuisance within two (2) days after receiving written notice from the town shall be a violation of the provisions of this chapter, and shall subject the permittee to penalties as set forth in Section 10-6.
- (7) Slaughter of animals must occur within a fully enclosed structure. Disposal of deceased animal remains shall be in accordance with State law. (See N.C. Gen. Stat. 106-403)
- (f) Facilities for keeping fowl and rabbits for which permits have been issued prior to the effective date of this ordinance may remain provided that if use of such facility is discontinued for a period of 12 consecutive months, any new use of the facility must comply with this ordinance.
- (g) The permit required by this Section is an administrative permit. Before issuing a permit under this section, the Administrator shall notify the applicant and the applicant's neighbors owning and/or residing at property within 150 feet of the boundary of the applicant's property by any convenient means of the date and time of an informational meeting concerning the application. After the informational meeting, the Administrator shall set forth in writing his reasons for the issuance or denial of the permit and shall furnish a copy thereof to any person who requests a copy. Any person aggrieved by the issuance or denial of a permit under this Section may appeal the decision to the Animal Control Board of Appeals pursuant to Section 10-6 (except that the burden of demonstrating that the administrator erred shall be on the appellant).

- (h) The provisions of subsection (c)(1) through (c)(4) shall not apply to "fainting goats." However, no permit may be issued for a person to keep fainting goats unless the permit applicant demonstrates compliance with the following conditions: (Amend. 8/25/09)
 - 1. The tract where such livestock are kept shall consist of at least 25,000 square feet;
 - 2. Such livestock may be kept only on a lot used for residential purposes and only for the consumption of persons who reside at that lot; such livestock may not be kept for commercial purposes;
 - 3. No more than two (2) fainting goats may be kept on a single tract or lot;
 - 4. Any person wishing to keep fainting goats on their property must seek and obtain a permit to do so;
 - 5. The Administrator shall issue the permit required by this section unless he finds:
 - (a) The applicant has failed to comply with subsection (h)(1);
 - (b) The animal(s) for which the permit is requested poses a substantial danger of harm to any person, animal or property;
 - (c) The animal(s) for which the permit is requested is likely to or does interfere with the use and enjoyment of neighboring properties because of offensive noise or odor or for other reasons;
 - (d) The animal(s) for which the license is requested otherwise constitutes a threat to the public health or safety.
- (i) After compliance with subsection (h), the administrator shall issue the permit requested by this section unless he finds that:
 - (1) The applicant has failed to comply with subsection (e);
 - (2) The animal for which the permit is requested poses a substantial danger of harm to any person, animal or property;
 - (3) The animal for which the permit is requested is likely to or does interfere with the use and enjoyment of neighboring properties because of offensive noise or odor or for other reasons;
 - (4) The animal for which the license is requested otherwise constitutes a threat to the public health or safety.

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Section 10-4 Feeding of Deer Prohibited

- (a) Subject to subsection (f), no person within the corporate limits of the town may place or allow any device or any fruit, grain, mineral, plant, salt, vegetable, or other material to be placed outdoors on any public or private property for the purpose of feeding or attracting deer.
- (b) There is a rebuttable presumption that the placement of any fruit, grain, mineral, salt, plant, vegetable, or other material edible by deer at a height of less than five (5) feet off the ground is for the purpose of feeding deer.
- (c) There is a rebuttable presumption that the placement of any fruit, grain, mineral, salt, plant, vegetable, or other material edible by deer in a drop feeder, automatic feeder, or similar device regardless of the height of such device is for the purpose of feeding deer.
- (d) Each property owner shall remove any materials placed on the owner's property in violation of this section within 48 hours of being notified by the town that such violation exists. Failure to do so shall constitute a separate violation of this section.
- (e) Each property owner shall remove any device placed on the owner's property to which deer are attracted or from which deer actually feed. Alternatively, a property owner may modify such device or make other changes to the property that prevent deer from having access to or feeding from the device. Failure to remove the device or make necessary modifications within 48 hours of notice from the town shall constitute a separate violation of this section.
 - (f) This section does not apply to:
 - (1) Naturally growing materials, including but not limited to fruits, grains, seeds, vegetables, or other crops or vegetation;
 - (2) Stored crops, provided that such crop materials are not intentionally made available to deer;
 - (3) Feeders used to provide food to domestic animals or livestock.

Section 10-5. Dogs Prohibited Within Farmers Market

No owner, keeper or other person in possession of any dog may allow such animal to go upon the premises operated by or for the town as a farmers market during any period when the market is in operation.

Section 10-5.1 Dog Owners Required to Remove Feces Deposited by Dogs (Amend. 10/7/08)

(a) Subject to Subsection (b), it shall be unlawful for the owner of any dog, or any person walking or otherwise in charge of such dog, to fail or refuse to remove feces deposited by such dog on any street, sidewalk, park, or other publicly owned area, or on any private property.

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(b) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to the premises occupied by the owner or keeper of the dog, but shall apply to any common areas in any two-family or multi-family residential development.

Section 10-5.2 Tethering of Dogs Generally Prohibited

(a) The Board finds that:

- (1) Tethered dogs can and do become highly territorial and aggressive, presenting a significant risk of injury to the public through dog bites and attacks; and
- (2) Tethered dogs can and do negatively impact community life through nuisance barking; and
- (3) Tethered dogs are at risk of becoming tangled and prevented from reaching food, water, and shelter; and
- (4) Tethered dogs are at risk of sustaining injury or death from accidental strangulation and are less able to defend themselves from other animals.
- (b) Subject to subsections (c) and (d) of this section, no person may tether a dog, and no owner or keeper of a dog may or cause or permit such dog to be tethered.
- (c) Provided that the tethering does not extend for more than seven (7) consecutive days and that the tethering device meets the standards set forth in subsection (d), tethering of a dog shall be permissible under the following circumstances:
 - (1) Lawful dog activities such as hunting, hunting training, and hunting sporting events, field and obedience training, field or water training, law enforcement training, veterinary treatment and/or the pursuit of working or competing in these legal endeavors.
 - (2) Any activity where the tethered dog is in visual range of its owner or keeper and the owner or keeper is located outside with the dog.
 - (3) After taking possession of a dog that appears to be a stray dog, and after so notifying the Animal Control Officer, the dog may be tethered while the person taking possession of the dog searches for its owner.
- (d) When tethering is permitted under the circumstances specified in subsection (c), the tethering may take place only in accordance with the following requirements:
 - (1) Tethers must be made of rope, twine, cord or similar material with a swivel on one end or must be made of a chain that is at least ten (10) feet in length

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- with swivels on both ends and which does not exceed ten (10) percent of the dog's body weight.
- (2) The tethering may be fastened to the dog only by attachment to a buckle type collar or body harness.

The dog must be tethered in such a manner that it has access to food, water, and shelter.

ARTICLE V

APPEALS

AND

PENALTIES

Section 10-6

- (a) Appeals:
 - (1) The owner of any animal who (i) is required to remove his animal from the Town based upon a finding that the animal is or creates a public nuisance, or (ii) who has been assessed and has paid a civil penalty, (iii) whose permit is denied or revoked pursuant to applicable regulations, or (iv) whose animal is declared to be "dangerous" or "vicious" pursuant to applicable regulations, may appeal to the Animal Control Board. An appeal shall be taken within ten (10) days after receiving the written notice of the determination appealed from except that appeals from a determination that a dog is a vicious dog or a dangerous dog shall be taken within three (3) days of notification. An appeal is taken by filing a written notice of appeal with the administrator and stays all enforcement efforts of the administrator until the appeal is disposed of. An appeal from an order to pay civil penalties shall first be reviewed by the Chief of Police, or his designee, who shall have the authority to affirm, revise or modify the order. If the owner is unsatisfied with the first civil penalty review, the owner may then appeal to the Animal Control Board of Appeals within ten (10) days of the Chief's, or his or her designee's, decision.
 - (2) The Animal Control Board of Appeals shall consist of three (3) members and one (1) alternate appointed by the board of aldermen. The board of aldermen shall designate one member as chairman. The member shall serve three-year staggered terms. The alternate shall also serve a three-year term and shall be appointed initially for a term of three (3) years.
 - (3) The board shall meet within twenty (20) days after notice of appeal is filed. A quorum of the board shall consist of three (3) members, and all decisions shall be made by majority vote. The board may uphold, reverse, or modify the determination appealed from, and the administrator shall thereafter continue, modify or cease his enforcement efforts in accordance with the board's decision.
 - (4) The burden of justifying the administrator's determination shall be on the administrator. Strict rules of evidence need not be followed, but the board

- may consider only what a witness knows of his own knowledge, and no decision may be based upon hearsay alone.
- (5) The board shall reach a decision as expeditiously as possible and shall provide the appellant and the administrator with a written decision, stating the reasons therefore.

(b) Penalties:

(1) A violation of any of the provisions of Sections 10-3, 10-4, 10-5, 10-5.1 and 10-5.2 shall subject the offender to a civil penalty of \$25.00. A violation of Section 10-2 shall subject the offender to a civil penalty of \$50.00. The penalty for second and subsequent violation of the same provisions of Section 10-3 shall be set forth in the following table:

Violation				
Second	\$	50.00		
Third	\$	75.00		
Fourth	\$ 1	00.00		

A fifth or subsequent violation of Section 10-3 shall subject the permittees to revocation of their permit upon written notice of record. Said notice of revocation is subject to appeal pursuant to subparagraph (a) above.

If the offender fails to pay any penalty within fifteen (15) calendar days after being cited for a violation, the penalty may be recovered by the town in a civil action in the nature of a debt.

- (2) Each day that any violation continues after a person has been notified that such violation exists and that he is subject to the penalties specified in subsections (a) and (b) shall constitute a separate offense.
- (3) This chapter may also be enforced by any appropriate equitable action, including injunctions or orders of abatement.
- (4) The town may enforce this chapter by any one or any combination of the foregoing remedies.

PUBLIC HEARING ON LAND USE ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS RELATING TO SETBACK REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN LIVESTOCK FACILITIES

The purpose of this agenda item was for the Board of Aldermen to consider amending the Land Use Ordinance to reduce the existing building setback provisions for certain livestock facilities.

A motion was made by Alderman Seils, seconded by Alderman Slade to approve the resolution below:

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A STATEMENT EXPLAINING THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN'S REASONS FOR ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE TEXT OF THE CARRBORO LAND USE ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, an amendment to the text of the Carrboro Land Use Ordinance has been proposed, which amendment is described or identified as follows: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CARRBORO LAND USE ORDINANCE SETBACK REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN LIVESTOCK FACILITIES.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Carrboro Resolves:

Section 1. The Board concludes that the above described amendment is consistent with the Downtown Carrboro Vision document and Carrboro Vision2020 as it supports, in a controlled manner, the growing interest in urban chickens, considered by many as part of Carrboro's quirky, artsy, historic mill-town character, and helps to maintain the high level of town services by the Police Department, and by association, Orange County Animal Services, who administers the provisions of the animal control ordinance.

Section 2. The Board further concludes that the above described amendment which will align the provisions of the Land Use Ordinance, with regard to setback provisions for certain livestock facilities, to those in the Town Code relating to Animal Control is in the public interest.

Section 3. This resolution becomes effective upon adoption.

This the 28th day of February, 2017

VOTE:

AYE: Alderman Chaney, Alderman Seils, Mayor Lavelle and Alderman Johnson, Alderman Slade

ABSENT: Alderman Gist and Alderman Haven-O'Donnell

A motion was made by Alderman Seils, seconded by Alderman Slade to approve the ordinance below:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TOWN OF CARRBORO LAND USE ORDINANCE SETBACK REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN LIVESTOCK FACILITIES Ordinance No. 14/2016-17

- Section 1. Subsection (a)(3) of the Town of Carrboro Land Use Ordinance Section 15-184, "Building Setback Requirements" is amended with a new Subparagraph to read as follows:
 - d. Facilities that house and/or contain domesticated livestock except that the building setbacks for rabbits and fowl shall adhere to the requirements in Chapter 10, Article III, Domesticated Livestock and Wild Animals, of the Town Code.
- Section 2. All provisions of any Town Ordinance in conflict with this Ordinance are repealed.
- Section 3. This Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

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This the 28th day of February, 2017

VOTE:

AYE: Alderman Chaney, Alderman Seils, Mayor Lavelle and Alderman Johnson, Alderman Slade

ABSENT: Alderman Gist and Alderman Haven-O'Donnell

MATTERS BY BOARD MEMBERS

South Greensboro Street Road Closure

Alderman Seils requested that the Town work to make sure the message regarding the road closure is clear and consistent with NCDOT and CH Transit.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN JOHNSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN CHANEY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE FIVE, ABSENT TWO (GIST, HAVEN-O'DONNELL)

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