



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

Town of Carrboro

Meeting Minutes

Town Council

September 15, 2020

7:00 PM

Remote Meeting

This meeting was held via Zoom teleconference and broadcasted live on cable television and the internet.

Present: Mayor Lydia Lavelle, Council Member Barbara Foushee, Council Member Jacquelyn Gist, Council Member Randee Haven-O'Donnell, Council Member Susan Romaine, Council Member Sammy Slade

Absent: Council Member Damon Seils

Also Present: David Andrews, Town Manager; Cathy Dorando, Town Clerk; Nick Herman, Town Attorney

PROCLAMATION: HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Mayor Lavelle proclaimed the month of September as “National Hispanic Heritage Month” in Carrboro. Pilar Rocha-Goldberg and Eliazar Posada, both representatives of El Centro Hispano, were present to accept the proclamation.

PROCLAMATION: MINORITY ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT WEEK

Mayor Lavelle proclaimed the week of September 14-18 as “Minority Enterprise Development Week” in Carrboro. Barbara Jessie-Black and Jon Hartman-Brown were present to accept the proclamation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JULY 14, 2020 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER SLADE TO POSTPONE APPROVAL OF THE JULY 14, 2020 MINUTES AND DIRECT THE TOWN CLERK TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON HOW OTHER NORTH CAROLINA CITIES AND TOWNS HANDLE RESOLUTIONS WHICH ARE PRESENTED AND RECEIVE A MOTION BUT DO NOT RECEIVE A SECOND TO THE MOTION. THERE WAS NO SECOND TO COUNCIL MEMBER SLADE’S MOTION.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER SLADE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FOUSHEE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2020. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (SEILS)

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER SLADE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GIST, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JULY 14, 2020. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (SEILS)

STORMWATER UTILITY MONTHLY REPORT

The purpose of this agenda item was to provide the monthly update regarding Stormwater Utility projects and initiatives.

Randy Dodd, the Stormwater Manager, and Joe Guckavan, the Public Works Director, provided information from staff.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER GIST, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ROMAINE, TO ACCEPT THE REPORT. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (SEILS)

FIRE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT

The purpose of this item was to provide the Town Council a monthly overview of calls for service.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER FOUSHEE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SLADE, TO ACCEPT THE REPORT. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (SEILS)

POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT

The purpose of this agenda item was to provide the Town Council a brief overview of the monthly calls for service.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER FOUSHEE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SLADE, TO ACCEPT THE REPORT. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (SEILS)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

The purpose of this agenda item was to provide the Town Council with regular monthly activities and status report from the Economic Development Department.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER FOUSHEE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SLADE, TO ACCEPT THE REPORT. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (SEILS)

THE 203 SOUTH GREENSBORO PROJECT – UPDATE

The purpose of this agenda item was to provide the Town Council with an update on the 203 South Greensboro Project as it proceeds with the development of a schematic design.

Trish McGuire, the Town’s Planning Director, and Derek Jones, of the Perkins and Will Architecture Firm, presented the report.

David Jessee, representing the Carrboro Business Alliance, asked the Town Council to delay consideration and approvals of the project.

Sheila Neal, also representing the Carrboro Business Alliance and owner of Neal’s Deli, spoke to the Council about the impact on her business from South Greensboro construction. She stated that there is a cumulative effect of construction on local businesses in the area.

The Town Manager was asked to reach out to the skills development center and determine their needs in regards to a construction timeline.

Staff was asked to add additional community engagement sessions and opportunities.

UPDATE FROM CHIEF SCHMIDT ON COVID-19

Fire Chief Schmidt provided an update to the Town Council on the current state of emergency response around the COVID-19 pandemic.

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER SLADE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GIST, TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO NCGS 143-318.11(A)(4) FOR AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTER. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (SEILS)

OPEN SESSION

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER SLADE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HAVEN-O'DONNELL, TO ENTER INTO OPEN SESSION. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (SEILS)

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER FOUSHEE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SLADE, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

Town Clerk

Mayor