

MINUTES  
LOUISBURG TOWN COUNCIL  
FEBRUARY 15, 2021

The Town Council met on Monday, February 15, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. at the Operations Center. Mayor Karl Pernell and Council Members Chris Neal, Emma Stewart, and Betty Wright were present. Council Members Boyd Sturges, Tom Clancy and Mark Russell were absent.

Finance Director Sean Medlin gave the invocation.

Council Member Neal moved that the minutes be approved. Council Member Wright seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Stewart moved to open the public hearing on a proposed Text Amendment to establish a 911 Communications Center as a permitted use in the (I-1) Light Industrial District. Council Member Wright seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. No one was present to speak in favor of or in opposition to the amendment.

Council Member Stewart moved to approve Ordinance 2021-1, a Text Amendment to establish a 911 Communications Center as a Permitted Use in the (I-1) Light Industrial District. Council Member Neal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Stewart moved to open the public hearing on a proposed Text Amendment to establish Landscaping Supply as a permitted use in the A-R (Agriculture-Residential) District. Council Member Wright seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. No one was present to speak in favor of or in opposition to the amendment.

Council Member Neal moved to approve Ordinance 2021-2, a Text Amendment to establish Landscaping Supply as a permitted use in the A-R (Agriculture-Residential) District. Council Member Stewart seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Stewart moved to approve Resolution 2021-4 to authorize execution of One Year Lease Agreements for Lease of Town Owned Property. Council Member Neal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Wright moved to approve Resolution 2021-5 to award the final bid for surplus property for 604 Kenmore Avenue. Council Member Neal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Stewart moved to approve Resolution 2021-6 to declare and dispose of surplus property at 100 Bunn Road. Council Member Neal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Wright moved to move forward with the construction of a downtown solid waste receptacle enclosure as presented. Council Member Neal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Stewart moved to award the South Main and Edgerton Street Parking Lot and Playground Project to Rian's Paving & Patching and to authorize the Town Administrator to enter into contract negotiations and approvals. Council Member Wright seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Wright moved to authorize Mayor Pernell to move forward with closing on the Industrial Park Property as previously discussed. Council Member Neal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Town Administrator Jonathan Franklin discussed battery storage for our electric system. He explained battery storage is both affordable and economical, and would help our rates be more competitive.

Council Member Neal moved to approve the contract with S&S Enterprises of Franklin County, LLC for the Depot Hill Project. Council Member Wright seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Neal moved to approve the lease between South Main Street Baptist Church and the Town of Louisburg for the South Main Street lot, Parcel #013470. Council Member Stewart seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Neal moved to amend the Personnel Ordinance to include Paid Parental Leave (copy attached). Council Member Wright seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Neal moved to add to the agenda Approval of Engineering Contracts. Council Member Stewart seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Stewart moved to approve, upon review and approval by the Town Attorney, Municipal Engineering Services Company, PA and John A. Edwards Company as our engineers for the Industrial Park Expansion Project – MESCO \$298,000 and JAECO \$102,000. Council Member Wright seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Stewart moved that the meeting be adjourned. Council Member Neal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Carolyn D. Patterson

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