

MINUTES
LOUISBURG TOWN COUNCIL
MAY 17, 2021

The Town Council met on Monday, May 17, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. at the Operations Center. Mayor Karl Pernell and Council Members Mark Russell, Tom Clancy, Betty Wright and Chris Neal were present. Council Members Boyd Sturges and Emma Stewart were absent.

Finance Director Sean Medlin gave the invocation.

Council Member Clancy moved that the minutes be approved. Council Member Russell seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Planning & Zoning Administrator Philip Slayter announced that the application has been withdrawn for the rezoning of 948 North Main Street from O&I to B-3.

Mayor Pernell opened the public hearing on the rezoning of Parcel #17341 and #40857 at the intersection of Gayline Drive and Highway 56 West from Agricultural-Residential (A-R) to Office & Institutional (O&I). No one was present to speak in favor of or in opposition to the rezoning. Mayor Pernell closed the public hearing. Council Member Clancy moved that the parcels identified by Franklin County Tax ID Numbers 017341 and 040857 be approved for rezoning from Agricultural-Residential to Office & Institutional, given the findings for this request are consistent with the Louisburg Comprehensive Plan and because this area is shown to be developed as commercial use in accordance with the Town's economic needs, and moreover to be found reasonable as this will result in a more logical and orderly development pattern, Ordinance 2021-8. Council Member Neal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mayor Pernell opened the public hearing on a request for a text amendment to increase the minimum lot size in the Agricultural-Residential (A-R) Zoning District to 22,000 square feet with public water and sewer. No one was present to speak in favor of or in opposition to the text amendment. Mayor Pernell closed the public hearing. Council Member Clancy moved to adopt Ordinance 2021-9 to amend the Town of Louisburg's Zoning Ordinance, Section 13, Part A.1.d Dimensional Requirements. Council Member Wright seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Neal moved to approve the Capital Project Ordinance for the CDBG Bullock Drive Water Project. Council Member Wright seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Clancy moved to approve the Capital Project Ordinance for the Edgerton Street Park. Council Member Wright seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Clancy moved to approve MICA Electrical, LLC as the electrical contractor for Depot Hill and authorize the Town Administrator to negotiate the contract. Council Member Russell seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Clancy moved to change the Fire Department to an ABC Schedule, and to create a new full time Fire Engineer position in the Louisburg Fire Department; and move Fire Engineer

from an 8 to a 5, and move the Fire Administration Supervisor from an 11 to an 8 on the Grade Classification Scale. Council Member Neal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Clancy moved to approve the Logging Management proposal from Forest Management Specialists on Franklin County Parcel #026425 owned by the Town of Louisburg. Council Member Wright seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Clancy moved to authorize the Town Administrator to move forward with a BESS (Battery Energy Storage System) Project and to bring pricing to the Town Council by the July meeting.

Mayor Pernell announced that the annual Budget Workshop will be at the Operations Center on May 27th at 5:15 p.m.

Council Member Clancy moved that the meeting be adjourned. Council Member Wright seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Carolyn D. Patterson

Administrative Assistant/Town Clerk CMC