

January 4, 2010

The regular meeting of the Town of Franklin Board of Aldermen was held on Monday, January 4, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Hall Board Room. Mayor Joe Collins presided. Aldermen Verlin Curtis, Jerry Evans, Joyce Handley, Billy Mashburn, Carolyn Pattillo and Bob Scott were present.

Approval of the minutes

Motion was made by Handley, seconded by Evans to approve the minutes for the December 7, 2009 meeting as presented. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.

Public session

Ken Fromknecht – I have concerns that you are not moving forward on annexations. Joseph Moretti is my client and he has spent a lot of money. The project depends on annexation.

Tom Ritter – Joseph Moretti has sixteen acres in total. Only eight acres are developable. He needs to be able to market his property.

Consideration of request for non-profit funding for Habitat for Humanity

Joe Sustarsic said we are doing repairs on homes with the help of volunteers. He said we are asking for a one time request of \$5,000.00

Motion was made by Mashburn, seconded by Scott to allocate \$5,000.00 from the non-profit funding to Habitat for Humanity to be used for repairs for homes inside the Town of Franklin. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.

Discussion regarding annexation and extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) expansion

Michael Grubermann said we can enforce the UDO within our ETJ. He said we need to look into extending our ETJ along the corridors. He said we could (1) do it on our own or (2) do it with legislative action. He said I suggest that the Planning Board do a plan for your consideration. Alderman Scott said the only reason for voluntary annexation requests are so the business can sell beer and wine. He said the solution is to do a county wide vote on alcohol. Mayor Collins said the annexation down 441 South would give us layers of protection. Sam Greenwood said our next step would be for the Planning Board to do a recommendation for you to consider.

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Discussion of board retreat

Motion was made by Scott, seconded by Mashburn to set the date for the retreat for January 23, 2010 at 9:00 A.M. in the Town Hall Board Room. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.

Sam Greenwood said there will be two sessions. He said the first session in the morning will be on the personnel policy and the second session in the afternoon will be to set long term goals.

Schedule public hearing on petition for rezoning by Alton A. Alligood III

Motion was made by Curtis, seconded by Scott to set the public hearing on the rezoning petition from Alton A. Alligood III for Monday, February 1, 2010 at 7:15 P.M. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.

Mayor's committee appointments

Mayor Collins said I have done committee appointments for the 2009-2011 term. A copy of the committee appointments is attached.

Budget amendments

Janet Anderson presented a budget amendment to the board.

Motion was made by Mashburn, seconded by Pattillo to approve the budget amendment. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0. A copy is attached.

Consideration of bid for surplus property on Sloan Street

John Henning, Jr. said the procedure on the bid received is to accept or reject the bid.

Motion was made by Curtis, seconded by Handley to reject the bid of \$5,005.00 for the Sloan Street property from James Verran. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.

Administrative reports

Alderman Scott said the North Carolina Department of Transportation is delaying the bridge replacement but is proceeding with the Siler Road extension. He said the Board is on record as against this project. He said there needs to be an investigation.

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Janet Anderson said Jerry DeHart will be retiring at the end of January. She said his retirement reception will be on February 5, 2010 at 2:00 P.M. in the Town Hall Board Room.

Alderman Evans said we need to look at doing more handicap spaces in front of Vicky Moses beauty shop on Stewart Street. Sam Greenwood said we will check into this request.

Other business

Departmental reports are attached.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Scott, seconded by Evans to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 P.M. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.

Joe Collins, Mayor

Janet A. Anderson, Town Clerk