Town of Boiling Springs Council Special Meeting Minutes November 08, 2022

ROUTINE BUSINESS

Call to Order

PRESENT
Mayor Daniel Thomas
Councilmember Caleb Edwards
Councilmember Marty Thomas
Mayor Pro-Tem Patrick Litton
Councilmember Tommy Greene
Councilmember Tonya Gantt

Staff:

Town Manager Justin Longino

Town Clerk Noah Saldo

Chief of Police Nathan Phillips

Lead for NC Fellow Greyson Sonntag

Mayor Thomas Called the meeting to order at 6:30PM

Adoption of Agenda

Approve as Presented

Motion made by Councilmember Edwards, Seconded by Councilmember Greene. Voting Yea: Councilmember Edwards, Councilmember Thomas, Mayor Pro-Tem Litton, Councilmember Greene, Councilmember Gantt

Public Comment

No public comment

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented approves all items unless Council would like to take a vote on an item separately

Approve all as Presented

- 1. Minutes of the October 4th Council meeting
- 2. ARP Polices

These are requirements of the federal government for handling ARP funds

3. Budget Amendment for Pay Study Implementation

Motion made by Councilmember Greene, Seconded by Councilmember Thomas. Voting Yea: Councilmember Edwards, Councilmember Thomas, Mayor Pro-Tem Litton, Councilmember Greene, Councilmember Gantt

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Creative EDC Presentation

Crystal Morphis presented on current economic development trends

Cleveland County Economic Development Partnership

Brandon Ruppe with Cleveland County Economic Devlopment Partnership gave a presentation on employment trends.

Gardner-Webb University Update

Nate Evans, VP for Advancement provided a brief update

REGULAR BUSINESS

Revisions to Chapter 92 - Animals of the Code of Ordinances

Town Manager Longino gave a presentation on Revisions to Chapter 92 - Animals of the Code of Ordinances

Approve ordinance #221108.01 amending Chapter 92 - Animals of the Code of Ordinances

Motion made by Councilmember Greene, Seconded by Councilmember Gantt. Voting Yea: Councilmember Edwards, Councilmember Thomas, Mayor Pro-Tem Litton, Councilmember Greene, Councilmember Gantt

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Bike/Scooter Rental Program

Consensus was to move forward

Solicitor Ordinance

Consensus of the Council was to move forward with exploration of options of potential changes.

Councilmember Litton expressed interest int making permits 6 months instead of 90 days food truck

REPORTS

Manager, Council, and Mayor Reports

Town Manager Longino stated the following:

- RFP responses are due Friday for our land use plan update. If anyone is interested in reviewing those, please let staff know.
 - We'll also be sending out an RFP, soon for our system development fee study that we budgeted funds for this year. That's the study that NC Rural water talked to Us about adding a fee for when development occurs.
- We applied for another round of ARC funding this week. That will be for a downtown strategy study.
- The Christmas parade is set for November 27th at 3:00 PM.
 - Mrs. Kim Greene will be there as Grand Marshall
- The Christmas tree lighting will be on December 2nd, time to be determined, but the Gardner Webb Festival of Lights will be the day before and then the Christmas tree lighting on the 2nd.
- We are accepting applications for an equipment operator position in public works.
- The golf cart map is complete
- We're on track to have some options for discussion around the Old Town hall in December.
- And last, but certainly not least, I hope all of the other jurisdictions in the county are watching our meeting and they see the Cleveland Cup. The town of Boiling Springs brought home the Cleveland Cup last month.

Councilmember Gantt stated she was appreciative of the information that Mr. Ruppe presented.

Councilmember Litton wanted to thank visitors for coming out and was also appreciative of the economic development information. He also wanted to thank everyone that participated in Music on Main.

Councilmember Edwards mentioned meeting with the YMCA board representing the City Council. They reviewed their annual budget and are also planning their annual Turkey trot 5K on Thanksgiving Day.

Councilmember Thomas was appreciative of both the economic development presentations. He also stated he was very proud of the town and the work that we put into the streetscape, continuing that it's all coming together as a bigger picture item.

Councilmember Greene expressed his sincere appreciation for the job that Mayor Thomas has done since taking office. He commended Mayor Thomas for his leadership and the way he stepped into those shoes.

Mayor Thomas quoted former Mayor Ellis saying this is the best small town in America. He thanked the staff who make it all happen, commenting they are models of excellence and professionalism. He expressed appreciation for community partnerships and celebrating our representative government. He also recognized some of his students in the audience. His final comment was about how it's all work, but it's work worth doing.

ADJOURN

Adjourn at 7:50pm

Motion made by Councilmember Edwards, Seconded by Councilmember Greene. Voting Yea: Councilmember Edwards, Councilmember Thomas, Mayor Pro-Tem Litton, Councilmember Greene, Councilmember Gantt