



Town of Robbins Board of Commissioners
Thursday, September 8, 2022
Regular Meeting

The Town of Robbins Board of Commissioners convened for Regular Meeting at 6:02pm, Thursday September 8, 2022, in the Conference Room of the Robbins Fire Department, 101 Branson Circle, Robbins, North Carolina.

Commissioners Present:

Mayor Cameron Dockery, Mayor Pro Tem Nikki Bradshaw-(absent-excused), Brandon Phillips, Kevin Stewart, Lonnie English, Jody Britt.

Mayor Dockery called the meeting to order at 6:02pm

Invocation – Cameron Dockery

Pledge of Allegiance – Mayor Cameron Dockery

I. Public Comment Period

- a. **Wanda Stewart, representative of the board of the Library and wanted to tell the board all that the library does goes thru the monthly report of activities (back of packet every month). Sue Aklus is our librarian, she is just a nice person, very helpful, anyone that goes into the library will be made to feel at home there. Many different things the kids can use thru an extensive upgrade including a computer kiosk for our children. Just many things we have available and know that we are there and we love our library and the people of Robbins and surrounding use it and thank you for all you do for us. Any questions don't hesitate to ask. Theron Bell is our Chair.**
- b. **Lynn Williams – Update on Robbins demolition of Old School. Building is tore down, questioning if Town is ok with it. Lynn wants to get next ball rolling on what to do with the property and is asking Town to guide that process. Do we need to do a planning board? Is that the next step. Mr. Hussey was gonna be here, but due to his sickness he was unable. He works as he is able to work. It has worked out real good for him to have something to do and be able to do it at his pace. I believe there is a judgement on the property. He is looking at borrowing money to build a building. He has a couple people looking at Boiler room to sell which is left on property. He has hauled some dirt in and landscaping as he is going. Trying to just update board. TC, town atty asks...**

“can you summarize what you have left to do to get the property back in compliance?” Williams: as far as compliance just being removed debris that is there, Tommy has crusher and he is having trouble with that. The few stuff that is there he is no major to get rid of. That’s basically what we have to level. Clean up around the fence and then it should be in compliance with the Town if that is sufficient. TC: thank you for your work and if you think you’re gonna need more time let us know. Williams: As long as you are willing to work with us that is great. Mack: no problem I am in communication with Eric. Williams: I am talking with Neil at bank to do anything on the property. I will try to come to the meeting and give you an update. Anyway that is an update. We are open to any options. Stewart: I know it’s been a long process. As long as we see progress we are good. Williams: Let Eric to decide what he wants to do. We bought it for his auction. Mack: I have spoken to Eric about putting it on the Golden Leaf site list as a potential location for that in town. It helps you and helps the town. Williams: It’s a big enough property rather of having an auction house, having a multi use building is something you could have ya know. Mack: Outside resource is good, they look at a map and see what we don’t and it is a focal point of the town. Williams: Final grading and Lynn said he is gonna have a pad built before it’s done for a foundation. Dockery: Thank you Mr. Williams

Mayor Cameron Dockery asked whether any commissioner had a conflict of interest concerning agenda items the Board would address in the meeting and there was none.

II. Approval of the Consent Agenda

Upon motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stewart the board voted 3-0 to approve the following consent agenda items:

- Minutes, August 11, 2022, Regular Meeting
- Budget Amendments Interdepartmental

IV. OLD BUSINESS

Food Truck Ordinance

- Review and we can phase in Food Truck Ordinance ;Stewart: I appreciate the hard work on this but I have gotten nothing but negative comments on this and what I was trying to accomplish and what this accomplishes is we are putting extra work on the staff ; are we chasing a ghost that doesn’t exist at this point?” Mack: If you are asking my opinion, I do lean that way. Extra layer of bureaucracy, the work is already done” Stewart: Make the motion that we table it and should we need it we got it, we adopt it. Seconded by Commissioner Brit 3-0

V. NEW BUSINESS-

- Budget Amendment 2- second half of ARPA monies and FEMA reimbursement and insurance claims

- Mack requested to add to agenda Resolution for Financing Approval to finance the Paving Project, we have some numbers to work out. There is no Resolution prepared but we need to approve.-Fidelity has given us a quote and board will give Mayor the authority to sign loan docs. Motion made by Kevin Stewart approved by all
- Budget Amendment-got our second half of ARPA and we are putting in Capital Fund and have until 2024 to spend and a spending plan to come to cover unforeseen capital costs.
- San Juan Horse Parade Closure- Motion to Approve by Brandon Phillips all aye
- RFQ Water System Improvements sent out to discuss bids at next meeting just for your review and award letter.
- Harvest Fest Discussion to hold or not due to date conflict- Board chose to go forward for October 21st 7-9pm Hope all will come and visit both. Motion by English Approved by all

VI. MANAGER REPORT -Clint Mack, Town Manager

PROJECTS/EFFORTS

Closing up projects. See report on updates from Terracon and PIP.

Met with Partners in Progress and thanks to Senator McInnis and Rep Boles who are very influential. 1.2 Million was authorized for this district and \$500K was earmarked specifically for Robbins. For economic development. We met Tuesday and this is really good news! She is really excited, she is a huge proponent for growth here in Robbins. TC: Fun fact on that is Carthage got 300K to help with the Buggy building and Robbins did get more. Mack: Lots of options and the board will have influence on this. Yall think of all the stuff I cant think of and we will get together and decide.

RFB Fire House and Rescue Building. September 19th is pre bid meeting for Fire House Demo. I am not qualified structurally to make a decision on this. The bid will be for the police department and bays. HLZ will be at Growler and not have to land at Millikan. Much safer and legit HLZ.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. ADMINISTRATIVE

48 bookbags donated to our schools along with headphones, pencils, folders, paper and water bottles as a community outreach.

We are training Jonah S for WW specialist and Billy will do the water certifications to help fill Daniel position. Proud our boys stepped up.

Opioid Crisis popped and Wayne asked me to come. Literally same slides as 2016. The 15 year plan is now their 5 year plan. They have properties for deep river to build water plant. Long story short, Picerno says we want Robbins back in the fold, they got a reservoir. Mack: response said we are open to talks but we have 4 things on our mind 1-quality of water 2 stabilization of rates preferably on downslope 3-emergency services assistance 4 priority of economic development. We reviewed old minutes from old discussions and comes down personalities and I wasn't here then, but I will be fully transparent with yall. But you know that. Conversations will continue. Leased 2/3rd of Harnett County. Lots of factors. This could help us and help them but lots that needs to be addressed. Lots to swallow...just absorb and no official negotiations...just ideas. Stewart had questions about right a way.

2. FIRE

a. See report

3. POLICE

a. See report

4. PUBLIC WORKS

VII. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

none

VIII. CLOSED SESSION- 143-318.11

Closed session at 7:14pm by Jody Britt All in favor aye

To establish, or to instruct the public body's staff or negotiating agents concerning the position to be taken by or on behalf of the public body in negotiating (i) the price and other material terms of a contract or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchase, option, exchange, or lease.

Out of Closed Session at 7:38pm by Stewart All in favor aye

VIX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, upon motion made by Commissioner Britt to adjourn at 7:40pm

Cameron Dockery, Mayor

Jessica C Coltrane, Town Clerk

Accepted into record _____.

In Favor _____ Against _____