

Fletcher Town Council
Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2014

Call the meeting to order at: 07:00 pm

Those who were in attendance are as follows:

Mayor Bill Moore
Mayor Pro-Tem Eddie Henderson
Councilman Bob Davy
Councilwoman Sheila Franklin
Councilman Hugh Clark
Town Manger Mark Biberdorf
Planning & Zoning Director Eric Rufa
Police Chief Erik Summey
Administrative Services Director Heather Taylor

Public Works Director Steve Morgan did not attend this meeting.
Parks & Recreation Director Greg Walker did not attend this meeting.

Invocation: Mayor Pro-Tem Eddie Henderson
Pledge of Allegiance: Boy Scout Troop # 602

Public Input**
None at this time

Approval of Minutes-corrections, additions or deletions.
(9/2, 9/8)

Mayor Pro-Tem Eddie Henderson made a motion to approve the minutes as written and it was seconded by Councilman Bob Davy

Council Updates

Councilwoman Sheila Franklin: None at this time
Mayor Pro-Tem Eddie Henderson: None at this time
Councilman Bob Davy: None at this time
Councilman Hugh Clark: None at this time

Mayor Moore reminded everyone about the Friends of the River Dinner tomorrow night.

Consent Agenda

Tax refunds/releases

Approval of Resolution R-14-04 to sell surplus property by public auction on Gov Deals.

Councilman Hugh Clark questioned the list of back taxes owed by businesses and wanted to know if these were checked before their privilege license was renewed. He started that if back taxes are owned then they need to be paid before their license is renewed.

Discussion Followed:

Mayor Pro-Tem Eddie Henderson made a motion to approve the consent agenda and it was seconded by Councilman Hugh Clark.

Discussion on request for BRCC to hold classes at Town Hall-Ben Kish Director of Business Training & Personal Enrichment.

Director of Business Training & Personal Enrichment Ben Kish gave an overview of Continuing Ed classes that he would like to offer here at town hall for the community. He is also requesting an alternative fee schedule for use of the multipurpose room. He stated that he has been working for some time now to build new classes in Henderson and Transylvania counties to meet the needs of the community.

These would be evening classes with the hours of 5 to 9 pm.

Suggested classes to be offered

Photography

Jewelry making

Computer classes

Theatre performing arts

Basic Financial management

Brain Building Classes

Personal Enrichment

Discussion Followed:

Classes are usually have the capacity of about 10-12 people per class and are 1 to 2 hours long per evening and about 2 nights a week.

Discussion Followed:

Town Manager Mark Biberdorf stated that he would work up some figures and bring them back to council next month for discussion.

Discussion of a Town flag to be created by FAHA –Kimberly McNeilly, President.

President Kimberly McNeilly gave an overview of a potential Fletcher town flag to be put on the flag pole in front of town hall. FAHA would purchase the first flag and then the town would be responsible to purchase additional flags in time to replace the original one as needed.

Discussion Followed:

Mayor Moore: This town council and the mayor support FAHA and we need to preserve history so that these young folks here (boy scouts) can know the history of Fletcher.

It has been suggested that post cards or calendars be made from old photos in the Fletcher area to earn extra funds for FAHA.

Council is not interested in a town flag at this time.

Discussion of development steps for the Heart of Fletcher- Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager and Eric Rufa, Planning & Zoning Director.

Town Manager Mark Biberdorf stated that there is nothing really different from last week on this agenda item. I attached a staff report of a couple pages long on some bulleted items and some of these things are in the goals list that I had submitted to you. Next year, I want to focus on something more concise as far as a marketing package that Eric and I can submit to potential developers. I mentioned to you last week about a meeting with adjoining property owners regarding an update on the project but also on the possibility of assignable options if that should be something to put in a package for the bigger project area. I also would like to get some numbers on opening up a path (Greenway) between the town hall site here and Fletcher Community Park. The last thing was implementation on a phase or phases of the Highway 25 corridor study that we had done back in April.

Discussion Followed:

The item below was added at this time to the agenda.

Discussion on the results from the testing done on the paving in the area of the new town hall – Harry Buckner and Ben Cathey Engineers from McGill & Associates.

Town Manager Mark Biberdorf referred to a letter (will be attached to final minutes) that he sent out to council with supporting documentation that was received from Kessel Engineering communicating the results from the supplemental compaction testing. They have suggested that a reduction or credit taken for everything except for the C-1A section on the south parking lot which was recommended this be milled up and repaved. There were seven samples taken with five that failed and two that passed. The averaged results were 91.1 % for the road samples and 90.6 % for the parking lot samples.

Engineer Ben Cathey gave a brief explanation to council from this testing and his suggested recommendations on these results.

Discussion Followed:

Implementation plan for transition to automated solid waster collection system- Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager and Steve Morgan, Public Works Director.

Town Manager Mark Biberdorf stated that since last week I had talked to you about public informational actions implementing the new semi-automated trash collection service and getting the carts delivered to households and making citizens aware of the changes. I have a draft of a Connect CTY call to send out twice to notify residents of the new trash cans. I am working on a door hanger flyer and talking to a printer about getting these completed. Next week we will have public works deliver those when they do the trash route. The new truck came in week ago and we will retro fit the other truck as a back up to use in case the new truck breaks down.

Discussion Followed:

Comments from the Town Manager-Mark Biberdorf

Alice Lough from FAHA had contacted me about additional meeting room space here in the town hall. We really do not have the space available here in town hall.

Discussion Followed:

Council is not in favor of this.

The Cross Country meets that are being held at the park and they are being charged 250.00 for large events and 50.00 for the smaller events.

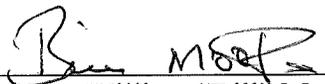
I am going to get in touch with Ken Youngblood about Kate's Park on the lease renewal.

Mayor Moore asked for a motion to adjourn and it was so moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Eddie Henderson and seconded by Councilman Bob Davy

Adjourned: 09:33 pm

Approved:

Date:



Mayor William "Bill" Moore