# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN TOWN OF KERNERSVILLE, N.C. BRIEFING SESSION FEBRUARY 27, 2013

The Board of Aldermen of the Town of Kernersville met in a briefing session at 6:30 P.M. on the above date in the Town Hall Executive Conference Room at the Municipal Building at 134 East Mountain Street.

**Present**: Mayor Dawn Morgan, Alderman Keith Hooker, Mayor Pro Tem Dana Caudill Jones, Alderman Irving Neal, Alderman Tracey Shifflette and Alderman Neal Stockton.

Absent: None.

**Staff Present:** Curtis L. Swisher, Town Manager; Dale F. Martin, Town Clerk; John Wolfe, Town Attorney; Jeff Hatling, Community Development Director; Ken Gamble, Police Chief; Terry Crouse, Fire Rescue Chief; Doran Maltba, Public Services Director; Russell Radford, Engineering Director; Ernie Pages, Parks & Recreation Director, and Ray Smith, Human Resources Director.

#### Call to order and invocation.

Mayor Dawn Morgan called the meeting to order and Mayor Pro Tem Dana Caudill Jones delivered the invocation.

Mayor Morgan welcomed several boy scouts in attendance who are currently working on their merit badges.

#### 1. Briefing on the March 5, Regular Meeting Agenda.

Mayor Morgan noted the proclamation presentation for Arbor Day to John Edwards in the Parks & Recreation Department.

Item # 1 PUBLIC HEARING: On the Annexation of property owned by the Town of Kernersville and located on Smith Edwards Road, containing approximately 26.159 acres.

Item # 2 PUBLIC HEARING: Curtis Swisher, agent for the Town of Kernersville, for consideration of an amendment to the Kernersville Development Plan to amend the Land Use Plan for properties located at 567 Smith-Edwards Road (unnamed), being all of PIN#(S) 6896-26-1242 containing a total of 26.47 +/- acres; 716 Beeson Road (Beeson Park), being all of PIN#(S) 6885-15-5398 containing a total of 28.6 +/- acres; and 309 Century Blvd (Century Park), being all of PIN#(s) 6875-79-8492 containing a total of 9.96 +/- acres, from various Land Use Designations to "Park" Designation. Zoning Docket KDP-39

Item # 3 PUBLIC HEARING: Curtis Swisher, agent for the Town of Kernersville, for properties located at 567 Smith Edwards Road, being all of PIN#(S) 6896-26-1242

containing a total of 26.47 acres more or less. Petitioner requests a General Use rezoning from RS20 (Residential, Single Family – 20,000 square foot minimum lot size) to IP (Institutional, Public). Zoning Docket K-718

Mr. Jeff Hatling, Community Development Director briefed the Board on Agenda Items 1, 2 and 3. He noted that the property is located on Smith Edwards Road outside the Town limits. He spoke briefly of the annexation of the property, the Kernersville Development Plan amendment and rezoning the property.

Mr. Hatling stated that the area residents have expressed a concern with parking however, are very supportive of the park as well. He added that the Planning Board and Staff recommend approval.

# Item # 5 Consideration of a Request by the AACA Old Salem Chapter Car Club to hold the Downtown Kville Cruise-In from June 2013 to October 2013.

Mr. Curtis Swisher, Town Manager stated that this event has been held for the last couple of years. It used to go through the KDPDC for recommendation but now will come directly to the Board. He stated that he has met with those organizing the event and it will be basically the same as last year. The event will be held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday from June through October from 4 PM to 8PM with the streets closing around 3:00 PM. He pointed out that most merchants downtown close at 2:00 PM so the closing of the street should not be a problem. He stated that the food vendors downtown plan to be open up for these events. They have talked with the new Italian restaurant and he is very supportive of the event also.

#### Item # 6 2013 Annual Reports and Budget Requests:

**Korner's Folly Community Appearance Commission Sister City Commission** 

Mayor Morgan stated that these are the annual reports for our local non-profits groups. Mr. Swisher stated that these are the non-profits that have been funded by the Town in the past. He stated that this is the first group with the others making a presentation in April.

## Item #7 Consideration of Budget Amendment No. 3 for Fiscal Year 2012-13.

Mr. Swisher briefed the Board on the budget amendment and added that there is nothing out of the ordinary included in this request.

### Item # 8 Discussion on FY 13-14 Budget.

Mr. Swisher stated that he hopes to receive updated revenue projections from Forsyth County Tax Office as they will be mailed on Friday. He will present projections for the revenues we expect to receive next year compared to last year.

#### Item #9 Consideration of Agreement with Energy United.

Town Attorney John Wolfe briefed the Board on a proposed agreement which has been sent to Energy United for review however, we have not heard back from them. Mr. Swisher presented the Town's history with Energy United which services a portion south of town near Beeson Park. He noted that Duke Energy is the main provider in town. Energy United is asking for an agreement to allow them to offer a choice in this area. He noted that State regulations will come into play as well. This proposed agreement has been sent back and forth between the Town and Energy United and we believe we are near an agreement. However, if we have not received word from them by Tuesday, the item will be pulled from the agenda.

#### **Item # 10 CONSENT AGENDA:**

- C-1 Approval of Minutes for January 30, 2013 Briefing Session Approval of Minutes for February 5, 2013 Regular Session Approval of Minutes for February 5, 2013 Closed Session
- C-2 Consideration of a Resolution establishing dates for the Spring Folly.
- C-3 Consideration of a Request by the Chamber of Commerce to hold various events in the Town Hall Courtyard.
- C-4 Forsyth County Tax Refunds
- C-5 Consideration of Amended Rules & Regulations for the Farmer's Market

Mr. Swisher stated that the items on the Consent Agenda are all routine items. He stated that the Farmer's Market is changing their times of operation to Tuesday, Thursday and Saturdays and are adding the sale of beef and poultry.

Mr. John Wolfe explained that the sale of these items would be subject to rules and regulations by the Dept. of Agriculture and inspected periodically. It was noted that the Board did not have the revised document. Staff will send out the correct version to the Board and replace the document on the website.

Alderman Tracey Shifflette asked if the farmers have considered evening hours. Mr. Swisher stated that they have discussed it. He explained that they have discussed having one group come out during the day time hours and then another group coming out in the evening. They may set up for the Music at Twilight concerts to see how that works.

#### 2. Matters to be presented by the Town Manager and Town Attorney.

Mr. Swisher stated that he will present a Resolution in support of the City of Asheville retaining control of their water & sewer system. He added that the State is considering legislation that would require Asheville to relinquish their system to a Metropolitan District System which would set a precedent that could affect other systems across the State. He added that

Municipalities want to send the message that we should take care of our own business and not be run by the State.

Mr. Swisher stated that the State is interested in purchasing some more land from us and he may bring that to the Board on Tuesday night.

Mr. Swisher reported on his attendance at the NCLM meeting in which each Municipality identified their goals and requested the NCLM to lobby on their behalf. Approximately sixty (60) different goals were identified. Each municipality voted for its top fifteen (15) and the top thirty (30) as a whole were chosen to be the goals for the League. He presented that list to the Board. Mr. Swisher noted that the hold harmless provision was selected. He noted that some of the items do not pertain to Kernersville but do affect other areas of the State and have a big impact on the State. He briefly explained the proposed changes to sales and income taxes.

# 3. Closed Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters.

Alderman Keith Hooker made a **Motion** to go into Closed Session at 7:17 p.m. to discuss personnel matters as permitted by NCGS 143-318.11(a) (6). Alderman Tracey Shifflette seconded the motion and the vote was all for and motion carried.

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:37 p.m.

# 4. Adjournment.

Alderman Irving Neal made a **Motion** to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m. Alderman Neal Stockton seconded the motion and the vote was all for and motion carried.

Being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

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Attest:

Dale F. Martin MMC, NCCMC Town Clerk

I, Dale F. Martin, Town Clerk of the Town of Kernersville, North Carolina, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the meeting duly held on February 27, 2013.

This the <u>day of April</u>, 2013.

Dale F. Martin MMC, NCCMC Town Clerk