

**TOWN OF HUNTERSVILLE  
TOWN BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES**

**October 16, 2017  
6:30 p.m. – Huntersville Town Hall**

**PRE-MEETING**

The Huntersville Board of Commissioners held a pre-meeting at the Huntersville Town Hall at 5:15 p.m. on October 16, 2017.

GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor John Aneralla; Commissioners Melinda Bales, Dan Boone, Mark Gibbons, Charles Guignard, Rob Kidwell and Danny Phillips.

**Northwest Huntersville Transportation Study.** Bill Coxe, Transportation Planner, presented update on the Northwest Huntersville Transportation Study. *Refer to PowerPoint attached hereto as Exhibit No. 1.*

**Closed Session.** Commissioner Kidwell made a motion to go into three closed sessions for instructions for negotiations for acquisition of real estate or interest in real estate as follows: (1) some or all of Tax Parcels 01120130 and 01120126 (2) easements or rights-of-way for portions of Tax Parcels 01721106 and 01705101 (3) parcels or interest in parcels necessary for the Main Street project.

Commissioner Gibbons seconded motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

Upon return from Closed Session, there being no further business, the pre-meeting was adjourned.

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**REGULAR MEETING  
TOWN OF HUNTERSVILLE  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The Regular Meeting of the Huntersville Board of Commissioners was held at the Huntersville Town Hall at 6:30 p.m. on October 16, 2017.

GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor John Aneralla; Commissioners Melinda Bales, Dan Boone, Mark Gibbons, Charles Guignard, Rob Kidwell and Danny Phillips.

Mayor Aneralla called the meeting to order.

Mayor Aneralla called for a moment of silence.

Representatives from the Mecklenburg County Young Marines led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **MAYOR AND COMMISSIONER REPORTS/STAFF QUESTIONS**

### Mayor Aneralla

- The next meeting of the Metropolitan Transit Commission is next Wednesday.
- Commissioner Gibbons attended the North Meck Alliance Meeting. They received an update from Bill Coxe on the Northwest Transportation Study.

### Commissioner Bales

- The Lake Norman EDC is going to be hosting a CEO roundtable discussion on workforce development on November 1.

### Commissioner Boone

- Recognized new hires in the Police Department.
- Huntersville Fire Department is still selling breast awareness t-shirts.
- The Huntersville Fire Department has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$19,460 from Firehouse Subs.

### Commissioner Gibbons

- The next meeting of the NC 73 Council of Planning has not been scheduled.
- Participated in the first Queen City Honor Flight.

### Commissioner Guignard

- Requested update on Veterans Park. Mecklenburg County Commissioner Jim Puckett donated time to paint the caboose.
- Commissioner Bales attended the Centralina Council of Governments meeting and provided updated of that meeting.

### Commissioner Kidwell

- The next meeting of the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization is October 18.

### Commissioner Phillips

- Updated the Board on Lake Norman Chamber and Visit Lake Norman events.
- Expressed appreciation to the Lake Norman Chamber for supporting the opposition of the CMS school bonds.

Michael Jaycocks, Parks & Recreation Director, updated the Board on Veterans Park. Charlotte Water put a new water line in, however it cannot be pressurized and tested until Charlotte Water repairs a leak at a gate valve up the line on Huntersville-Concord Road.

Commissioner Kidwell commended Parks & Recreation for their Start Smart Soccer program.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS, REQUESTS, OR PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor Aneralla proclaimed October 23-31, 2017 as Red Ribbon Week in the Town of Huntersville.

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Proclamation

WHEREAS, communities across America have been plagued by the numerous problems associated with illicit drug use and those that traffic in them; and

WHEREAS, there is hope in winning the war on drugs, and that hope lies in education and drug demand reduction, coupled with the hard work and determination of organizations such as the Mecklenburg County Young Marines of the Marine Corps League to foster a healthy, drug-free lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, governments and community leaders know that citizen support is one of the most effective tools in the effort to reduce the use of illicit drugs in our communities; and

WHEREAS, the red ribbon has been chosen as a symbol commemorating the work of Enriqu  “Kiki” Camarena, a Drug Enforcement Administration Special Agent who was murdered in the line of duty, and represents the belief that one person can make a difference; and

WHEREAS, the Red Ribbon Campaign was established by Congress in 1988 to encourage a drug-free lifestyle and involvement in drug prevention and reduction efforts; and

WHEREAS, October 23-31 has been designated National Red Ribbon Week, which encourages Americans to wear a red ribbon to show their support for a drug-free environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Aneralla, Mayor of the Town of Huntersville, do hereby proclaim October 23-31, 2017 as **“RED RIBBON WEEK”** in the Town of Huntersville.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Huntersville to be affixed this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.

Mayor Aneralla proclaimed October 24, 2017 as World Polio Day in the Town of Huntersville.

Town of Huntersville  
Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, in 1985 Rotary International launched PolioPlus and spearheaded the Global Polio Eradication Initiative with the World Health Organization, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and UNICEF that has immunized over 2.5 billion children to date; and

**WHEREAS**, polio cases have dropped by 99.9 percent since 1979 and the world stands on the threshold of eradicating the disease; and

**WHEREAS**, to date, Rotary has contributed nearly US \$1.7 billion and is working to raise an additional \$150 million to be matched with a \$300 million grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Rotary Club of Lake Norman-Huntersville is one of over 58 clubs throughout our Rotary District 7680 with over 3,000 members sponsoring service projects to address such critical issues as poverty, health, hunger, illiteracy, and the environment in their local communities, and abroad.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, John Aneralla, Mayor of the Town of Huntersville, do hereby proclaim October 24, 2017 as **“WORLD POLIO DAY”** in Huntersville, North Carolina, and encourage all citizens to join me and Rotary International in the fight for a polio-free world.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I do hereby set my hand and cause the Seal of the Town to be affixed, this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.

Doug Youngblood updated the Board on the Partners for Parks program.

Jeanie Welch, 7838 Ashby Glen, invited everyone to attend Fall Festival at Huntersville United Methodist Church on Saturday.

BeeJay Caldwell, 14521 New Haven Drive, addressed the Board concerning institutional racism. *Refer to written comments attached hereto as Exhibit No. 2.*

Todd Steiss, 8932 Deerland Court, announced that the October 17 Greenway Committee had been canceled due to staff not being available to facilitate.

Zach Brown, Interim Executive Director of HFFA, updated the Board on results of membership survey. Also noted they have been collecting past due balances.

### **AGENDA CHANGES**

Commissioner Guignard made a motion to adopt the agenda.

Commissioner Gibbons seconded motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**Daumar Economic Development Incentives.** Mayor Aneralla called to order public hearing on proposed economic development incentives to Daumar Corporation relating to their establishment of new manufacturing facilities in Huntersville.

Commissioner Phillips made a motion to continue the public hearing to the November 6, 2017 Regular Town Board Meeting to allow for additional advertising.

Commissioner Guignard seconded motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

**Daumar Economic Development Incentives.** Commissioner Kidwell made a motion to defer decision on resolution authorizing the execution of a Business Investment Program Agreement with Daumar Corporation to November 6, 2017.

Commissioner Guignard seconded motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Petition #TA17-07.** Petition #TA17-07 is a request by the Town of Huntersville to amend Section 8.17.15 of the Zoning Ordinance offering additional options to meet Huntersville's Water Quality Ordinance.

Jack Simoneau, Planning Director, reviewed the Staff Report. *Staff Report attached hereto as Exhibit No. 3.*

Commissioner Boone made a motion in considering the proposed amendment TA17-07, Water Quality, the Town Board grants approval based on the amendment being consistent and reasonable and in the public interest to amend the Zoning Ordinance because it allows additional options to meet Huntersville's Water Quality Ordinance for development of smaller lots and redevelopment projects in the TC zone without significantly diminishing the effectiveness of the ordinance in protecting water quality. An exception to the location of the mitigation project can be made if the Storm Water Administrator determines there are no viable mitigation projects in that watershed provided mitigation is done in the Town of Huntersville zoning jurisdiction.

Commissioner Gibbons seconded motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Communication and Record Management Services.** Gerry Vincent, Town Manager, explained in February 2017 the Town received information from the City of Charlotte CMPD indicating an increase in dispatch from the current contract of \$289,212 to \$688,613. The proposed increase led staff to consider options available with neighboring jurisdictions. The neighboring jurisdictions were narrowed down to two, Iredell County and the Town of Cornelius. Both jurisdictions were willing to accommodate the Town of Huntersville's request, but there were significant costs to provide the infrastructure ranging from \$500,000 to \$700,000 plus.

Discussions remained between the City of Charlotte and the Town of Huntersville, mainly with Marcus Jones, City Manager and his staff. This agreement provides the final negotiated offer establishing a 5-year term with fiscal year 2018-19 at \$300,000 and increases of 3 percent each year thereafter. The proposed offer establishes known budget amounts for the next 5 years and significant savings from the one-time costs of infrastructure ranging from \$500,000 to \$700,000 with our neighboring jurisdictions.

Commissioner Phillips made a motion to authorize the Town Manager to execute Second Amendment to Agreement to Provide Communication and Record Management Services.

Commissioner Kidwell seconded motion.

Commissioner Guignard said I am vehemently opposed to staying with Charlotte. We will eventually be sued over the fact that they do not respond to us in a timely fashion. I was aware of that just recently at 6 a.m., 40' from where I am sitting. Charlotte 911 does not provide the service to Huntersville that the Huntersville citizens deserve. I was opposed to it before. I'm opposed to it now and one of these days it's going to come back and bite us. I personally have been a victim twice of irresponsible 911 service. I've personally been involved in three others, one that took 44 minutes to respond to a 2 year old and a 4 year old that were without any adults around them findable or seeable. That was not all dispatch but I blame a lot of that on the dispatch. I don't think that they picked me out. I think it's a pandemic situation and fluoride doesn't cause it. We will regret staying with Charlotte before these 5 years are up. All you have to do is look and see what they did to us with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools bonds. It's all the same mentality. They get our money and they don't care. We are going down the wrong path. Money is not always the bottom line.

Mayor Aneralla called for the vote to authorize the Town Manager to execute Second Amendment to Agreement to Provide Communication and Record Management Services.

Motion carried 5 to 1, with Commissioner Guignard opposed.

*Amendment attached hereto as Exhibit No. 4.*

**Board of Adjustment Appointment.** As historically practiced, when filling a vacancy of a Regular member, it is suggested to rotate the Alternate members up and into Regular membership. In this case example, Alternate 1 would be appointed to fill the Town Seat 6 position left vacant, and the current Alternates 2 and 3 would move up into the Alternate 1 and 2 seats, respectively; thus leaving Alternate 3 (Town or ETJ) open for the new appointment with a term expiration of June 2019. Alternate 1 has

indicated his desire, and would like to be considered for appointment to fill the vacant seat of Town Seat 6, as a Regular member.

Commissioner Bales made a motion to move Edward Cecil up to the Town Seat 6 vacant seat and I would like to add Mr. Marshburn, it was the application we received unfortunately it was slightly late due to an error at the post office.

Commissioner Kidwell said could I amend that to moving the second alternate and third alternate over as well.

Commissioner Bales said yes.

Commissioner Boone said the term historically really bothers me on here because specifically I was on the Board of Adjustment as Seat 4 and there was a vacancy open on the board and that particular night the board voted and the next morning I found not only was I not Seat 4 but I was an alternate, so the historic thing of everything flowing up does not always happen.

Commissioner Kidwell seconded motion.

Commissioner Guignard made a substitute motion to appoint Steve Genenbacher to Seat 6 as the representative on the Board of Adjustment

Commissioner Phillips seconded motion.

Mayor Aneralla called for the vote on the substitute motion.

Motion carried 4 to 2, with Commissioners Bales and Kidwell opposed.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Approval of Minutes.** Commissioner Guignard made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 2, 2017 Regular Town Board Meeting. Commissioner Gibbons seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**Budget Amendment – Parks & Recreation.** Commissioner Guignard made a motion to approve budget amendment appropriating Signage revenue in the amount of \$3,000 to the Parks & Recreation Department's non-capital expense to purchase AED's for Huntersville Athletic Park and the new Recreation Center. Commissioner Gibbons seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **CLOSING COMMENTS**

Commissioner Kidwell invited everyone running for office to a fundraiser at the Kilted Buffalo for the Lotta Foundation on October 24.

Jack Simoneau, Planning Director, announced there will be a charrette at Town Hall October 17-19 for a 400 acre parcel near Metrolina Greenhouses that has a potential to be a residential age restricted development.

Mayor Aneralla announced the Mayor's Luncheon is tomorrow.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved this the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

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