

City of Mount Holly
Mount Holly City Council Meeting
Monday, March 9, 2020
Council Chambers
7:00 pm

Call to Order

Mayor Bryan Hough called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The following were present:

Mayor Bryan Hough	Danny Jackson, City Manager
Mayor Pro Tem David Moore	Miles Braswell, Assistant City Manager
Councilwoman Phyllis Harris	Ryan Baker, Fire Chief
Councilman Charles McCorkle	Tony Walker, Streets and Solid Waste Director
Councilman Jeff Meadows	Dave Johnson, Utilities Director/City Engineer
Councilwoman Christina Pawlish	Don Roper, Chief of Police
Councilwoman Lauren Shoemaker	Greg Beal, Planning Director
Kemp Michael, City Attorney	Africa Otis, Finance Director

Invocation

Pastor Shannon Williams of Finish Line Christian Center gave the invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

Boy Scout Troop 59 led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

SET THE AGENDA

Mayor Hough advised that there are no changes to the agenda. Councilwoman Harris made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilwoman Pawlish seconded the motion. All council members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Liens for Clearing of Grass and Weeds
 - 5070 Clearwater Lake Road
 - 102 Price Street
 - 124 Oakland Road
 - 807 Noles Drive
 - 105 Vance Street
 - 205 Fite Road
2. Approval of Budget Amendment to recognize revenue from Duke Energy for the Carolina Thread Trail Project
3. Approval of Budget Amendment for Appraisal Services
4. Approval of Budget Amendment for the Broker Fee for the Lease at 420 East Central Avenue
5. Approval of Budget Amendment to Appropriate Fund Balance for Storm Damage
6. Approval of a Letter of Credit reduction for River Park Phase 4
7. Approval of the Meadowbrook Phase 2 Financial Guarantee Release
8. Approval of a Resolution Declaring Surplus Property
9. Approval of Imagery on Mountain Island Phase 2, Maps 1-3 Final Plat
10. Approval of River Park Phase 6 Final Plat
11. Approval of the Traffic Control Request Policy and Fee—*moved to Old Business*
12. Approval of the minutes from December 9, 2019 Council Meeting

Mayor Pro Tem Moore made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilwoman Harris seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation of Mount Holly Athletic Association Donation for a Batting Cage at Tuckaseege Park and Approval of Budget Amendment to Recognize the Revenue *Connor Sisk*

Mr. Sisk came before the Council and advised that the Mount Holly Athletic Association has agreed to donate \$12,500 for a batting cage at Tuck Park. There was discussion in regard to a possible shortfall. Council agreed they fully support the project and did not want to hold up the process. Councilman Meadows made a motion to accept the donation from the Mount Holly Athletic Association in the amount of \$12,500 with 15% to cover any shortfall in funding and approve the budget amendment recognizing the revenue. Councilwoman Harris seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

At this time Councilman Meadows made a motion to move consent agenda item #11 *Approval of the Traffic Control Request Policy and Fee* to Old Business. Councilwoman Shoemaker seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

2. Special Recognition Resolution

Mayor Hough and the City Council presented Mr. Henry Massey with a resolution and a key to the City for his continued service on the Parks and Recreation Commission.

3. Recognition of Ida Rankin Student for winning the Aviation Art Contest

Mayor Hough and the city Council recognized Beckham Clawson, a local Ida Rankin student for winning 1st place in the Aviation Art Contest.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Public Hearing to adopt Feasibility Study EB-5749

Mr DuPont gave a brief history of the project and advised that adoption of the study would bind the City to any type of financial obligations. Mayor Pro Tem Moore made a motion to open up the Public Hearing. Councilwoman Shoemaker seconded the motion. Motion carried. With no one signed up to speak, Councilman Meadows made a motion to close the public hearing. Councilwoman Shoemaker seconded the motion. Motion carried. Councilman Meadows made a motion to approve the Feasibility Study EB-5749. Councilwoman Shoemaker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2. Public Hearing for a text amendment to amend Article 7, Note 5 Multifamily, Mixed-use, Apartments and townhome/condominium dwellings

Mr. DuPont advised that the proposed is a recommendation from the Strategic Visioning Plan. He advised that the objective of the changes is to provide a document that is easy to read and follow. The Planning Commission made a recommendation with one change as noted in the packet. Councilwoman Shoemaker made a motion to open up the Public Hearing. Councilman Meadows seconded the motion. Motion carried. With no one signed up to speak, Councilman Meadows made a motion to close the public hearing. Councilman McCorkle seconded the motion. Motion carried. Councilman Meadows had concerns in regard to the height restrictions and advised that it should be 50 ft. Councilman Meadows advised that he would like to be supportive of the concept but is afraid of the unintended consequences.

3. Public Hearing for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Councilwoman Shoemaker made a motion to open up the Public Hearing. Councilman Meadows seconded the motion. Motion carried. With no one signed up to speak, Councilman Meadows made a motion to close the public hearing. Councilwoman Shoemaker seconded the motion. Motion carried. Councilman Meadows made a motion to adopt the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Councilwoman Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4. Public Hearing, regarding a request by Eastwood Homes, for a rezoning of Tax Parcel ID #'s 202122, 181227, 202690, 181214, 225889, 199264 and 180092 from R-1 and RS-12 Gaston County to Conditional District Residential. (Hunter's Ridge) ***postponed until May 11, 2020 Council Meeting***

Councilwoman Harris made a motion to continue the public hearing at the May 11, 2020 Council Meeting. Councilwoman Shoemaker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5. Public Hearing, regarding a request by Eastwood Homes, for Annexation into the City Limits of Mount Holly for Tax Parcel ID #'s 202122, 181227, 202690, 181214, 225889, 199264 and 180092 (Hunter's Ridge) ***postponed until May 11, 2020 Council Meeting***

Councilwoman Shoemaker made a motion to continue the public hearing at the May 11, 2020 Council Meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded the motion. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Approval of the Traffic Control Request Policy and Fee

Councilman Meadows advised that he pulled this item from the consent agenda because he has an issue with the fee. Councilman Meadows made a motion to approve with no fee. Councilwoman Shoemaker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration and Approval of an Amendment to City Code of Laws for Chapter 9, Housing, Section 9.39 Minimum Standards of Fitness for terminating utilities

Councilman Meadows made a motion to approve. Councilwoman Shoemaker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2. Consideration and Approval of the Award of Contract to the Low Bidder for the Mount Holly Police Department Roof Replacement Project

Councilwoman Harris made a award the bid to Radco Construction and SKA Consulting Engineers in the amount of \$235,526. Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. Consideration and Approval of Master Service Agreement - Property Broker

There were some unanswered questions and confusion in regard to the agreement and whey it wasn't a standardized form therefore the Council agreed to move this item to the work session for further discussion.

ADJOURN

With no additional items for discussion, Mayor Hough entertained a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Pawlish made the motion to adjourn the March 9, 2020 Council Meeting. Councilman McCorkle seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.