City of Mount Holly
Mount Holly City Council Meeting
Monday, January 12, 2015
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 Perry Toomey	Jamie Guffey, Assistant City Manager
Councilman Jerry Bishop	Greg Beal, Planning Director
Councilwoman Carolyn Breyare	Ray Clemmer, Assistant Director of Utilities
Councilman J. Jason Gowen	Ryan Baker, Interim Fire Chief
Councilman Jim Hope	Don Roper, Chief of Police
Councilman David Moore	Dave Johnson, Utilities Director/City Engineer
Kemp Michael, City Attorney	Miles Braswell, Director of Streets and Solid Waste

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<u>Invocation</u>

Reverend Peggy Thornes gave the invocation.

<u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>

Boy Scout Troop 59 of the First United Methodist Church in Mount Holly led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

<u>Set the Agenda</u>

Mayor Hough advised that Public Hearing #1 would need to be removed from the agenda due to advertising technicalities. Councilman Gowen made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Councilwoman Breyare seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

<u>CONSENT AGENDA</u>

1. Approval of the Dixie Youth Baseball Registration Fees
2. Budget Amendment (Recycle Truck)
3. Approval of Lien for Weeds and Grass
4. Approval of Meadowbrook Estates Phase I Plat
5. Approval of the minutes of the December 8, 2014 Council Meeting
6. Approval of the minutes of the December 17, 2014 Special Meeting

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

<u>PRESENTATIONS</u>

1. Swearing – in Ceremony for Fireman CJ Beheler

Interim Chief Baker introduced CJ Beheler. He advised that Fireman Beheler was recently hired as a fulltime firefighter by the Department. Fireman Beheler's father pinned the badge. Mayor Hough preformed the Oath of Office.

<u>PUBLIC HEARING</u>

1. Public Hearing to Consider Amending Section 6.1 and Section 7 of the Mount Holly Zoning Ordinance Concerning Restricting Use of Existing Downtown Buildings
   This item was removed from the agenda.
2. Public Hearing to consider a request to amend the proposed Riverfront Marina Development Plan

Mr. Beal advised that the original plans for Riverfront Marina required 7400 square feet for a restaurant. Due to unforeseen circumstances, the developer is coming back to Council to request the square footage for the restaurant be reduced to 5000. That would be a 4000 square foot for the restaurant and 1219 square feet for the covered deck. Also, the Developer, Mr. Arnold, would like to split a few of the 3-bedroom apartments into 2-bedroom apartments as the market study show the 2-bedroom apartments would rent more easily.

At this time, Councilman Bishop made a motion to enter into the public hearing. Councilman Moore seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor.

Misty Raye
212 Riverfront
Mount Holly, NC 28120

Ms. Raye advised that she attended the Planning Commission Meeting as the President of the HOA and she does not see a problem with the changes. She further advised that she has gotten some very positive feedback from owners in the community regarding the proposed changes.

Mr. Arnold came before the Council and explained that the footprint of the restaurant would remain the same. However it would just be one story. He advised that hopefully construction would start in the next few months.

Councilwoman Breyare made a motion to close the public hearing. Councilman Bishop seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor.

Councilman Bishop made a motion to approve the Resolution (#112201A) reducing the square footage of the restaurant at the Riverfront Marina to 5000 square foot and change the number of approved apartments from 124 to 128. Councilman Moore seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Three (3) Minute Limit

No one was signed up to speak at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Consideration and Approval of Scope of Services with Buxton Company regarding a proposed Business Recruitment Plan

   Mr. Beal advised that Mr. Miller with Buxton and the City Attorney, Mr. Michael have worked diligently on the scope of services for this contracrt. He advised that any questions regarding the contract would need to be addressed to them. Councilman Moore asked, if Council approved this contract tonight when would the Buxton Company start working on the recruitment plan. Mr. Miller replied that the Buxton team would start tomorrow with a full solution back to Council in 60 days. Mayor Pro Tem Toomey made a motion to approve the Scope of Services between the City of Mount Holly and the Buxton Company. Councilman Gowen seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval Award of Contract for the Beaty-Ferstl Intersection Improvement

Mr. Braswell presented the 7 bids that were received for the Beaty Road, ferstl Road intersection. He advised that the scope of work was changed slightly due then the original 2014 plans due to the project coming in over budget in its original state. Mr. Braswell advised that Tarpon Construction came in with the low bid at $248,610. Mr. Braswell recommended at 10% contingency be added to the project to cover any unforeseen conditions during construction. Councilman Bishop made a motion to approve the bid to Tarpon Construction plus 10% contingency for the Contract for the Beaty-Ferstl Intersection Improvement in the amount of $273,471 of Powell Bill Funds. Councilman Moore seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor.

2. Consideration and Approval of NCDENR 2015 Community Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant

Mr. Braswell advised that NCDENR recently released a request for proposal for the 2015 Community Waste and Reduction Recycling Grant. With Council approval he would like to submit a grant application that would allow for recycling opportunities in the downtown streetscape and Tuckaseegee Park areas. He advised that if the City is awarded the grant we would be responsible for 50% of the costs which could be part of next year’s budget. He presented a few recycle receptacle options for the areas of which he spoke. Councilwoman

Breyare made a motion to proceed forward with the NCDENR 2015 Community Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant application. Councilman Hope seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor.

3. Consideration and Approval of Purchase of Fire Truck

Interim Chief Baker advised that as part of the 2014-2015 budget staff was directed to spec a fire truck to replace the fire engine located at the Headquarters Station. Doing so, Atlantic Coast Fire Trucks submitted a bid for the fire truck. Mr. Baker advised that Atlantic Coast contacted him and advised that the bid would expire on January 15, 2015 and at that time a 3% price increase would be in effect for the Smeal Fire Truck that was bid out. There was further discussion regarding the trucks that would be replaced with the new trucks and the use of the trucks as far as emergency calls and mutual aide calls. Council asked Mr. Guffey questions in regard to financing options for two (2) fire trucks. He advised that the City would more than likely finance the trucks for ten (10) years with the first payment being due next fiscal year. Councilman Gowen made a motion to approve the purchase of two (2) Smeal fire trucks at the bid amount of $955,794. Councilman Hope seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor.

ADJOURN

With no additional items for discussion, Mayor Hough entertained a motion to adjourn. Councilman Moore made the motion to adjourn the January 12, 2015 Council Meeting. Councilman Bishop seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.