

City of Mount Holly
Mount Holly City Council Meeting
Monday, January 9, 2017
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	Greg Beal, Planning Director
Councilman Jerry Bishop	Ryan Baker, Fire Chief
Councilwoman Carolyn Breyare	Ray Clemmer, Assistant Director of Utilities
Councilman Jeff Meadows	Dave Johnson, Utilities Director/City Engineer
Councilman Jim Hope	Don Roper, Chief of Police
Councilman Perry Toomey	Miles Braswell, Assistant City Manager
Kemp Michael, City Attorney	Africa Otis, Finance Officer

Invocation

Reverend Kendall Cameron, Pastor at Mount Holly First Baptist Church gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman Jim Hope led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

SET THE AGENDA

Mayor Hough advised that Presentation #1 Resolution Honoring Mike Gruno upon Retirement from City needs to be removed from the agenda and a Closed Session for Attorney Client Privilege needs to be added. With no additional changes to the agenda Councilwoman Breyare made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilman Toomey seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Release of Maintenance Bond for the warranty period closeout for the 2015-2016 Powell Bill Street Paving Project posted by Red Clay Industries
 2. Approval of the minutes of the December 12, 2016 Council Meeting
- Mayor Pro Tem Moore made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilman Bishop seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation of Service Award to Captain David Stevens 20 years
Mayor Hough and the City Council recognized David Stephens for his 20 years of service with the City of Mount Holly.
2. Swearing In of Fire Inspector Bob Nightingale and Fire Fighter U’Ryan Byers
Mayor Hough administered the Oath of Office to Fire Inspector Bob Nightingale and Fire Fighter U’Ryan Byers. Chief Baker pinned Inspector Nightingale’s badge and Fire Fighter Ryan had his father present to pin his badge.
3. Presentation of Award to Fire Fighter Ricky Brown for Achieving the Advanced Fire Fighter Certification
Fire Fighter Ricky Brown was called out on a duty. Council will recognize him in January.
4. Presentation of a Resolution Recognizing Dr. Lee Beatty for 2016 Family Physician of the Year Award

Mayor Hough and the City Council recognized Dr. Lee Beatty for receiving the 2016 Physician of the Year Award given by the North Carolina Academy of Family Physicians.

5. Presentation of Gaston County CLT Airport Economic Positioning Strategy

Mark Cramer with the GGDC came before the City Council to present their latest project which was described as a unique opportunity to position Gaston County as an extension of the Charlotte Airport. He advised that CLT is the 5th busiest airport in the United States and the 6th busiest in the nation. With Mount Holly being strategically placed in the vicinity to the airport the City could have lots of economic benefits come from the proposed project. Mr. Cramer advised that a steering committee will be formed with participants from the larger municipalities in Gaston County that agree to participate. The GGDC is requesting 50/50 public/private funding from the municipalities. Mr. Jackson advised that he would talk to the TDA in regard to partially funding Mount Holly's portion. It was consensus of the City Council to take this item under consideration at the next meeting and determine the funding.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Three (3) Minute Limit

Kristina Beatty

516 Belmont Mount Holly Road

Ms. Beatty came before the City Council to request the cart path right of way that goes by her house be withdrawn from the City maps. She advised that the cart path creates a nuisance for her and her family and it does not meet the minimum requirement for a city street. Therefore if Council would agree to pull the cart path from the maps that would take care of the issue.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Extension of public hearing regarding a request by C2 Design Development for a rezoning and annexation of Tax Parcel ID #'s 202122, 202120 and 181214 from R-12 Single Family to Single Family Conditional District and Tax Parcel ID #'s 181227 and 202690 from R-1 Gaston County to Single Family Conditional District until the February 13, 2017 Council Meeting

Mr. Beal advised that the applicant has requested the public hearing be postponed until February. Council Meadows made a motion to postpone the public hearing until the February 13th Council Meeting. Councilwoman Breyare seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration and Approval to Include Refunding Existing Debt into Bank RFP

Ms. Otis advised that staff is requesting authorization to include old debt into the new debt. Councilman Bishop made the motion and Councilman Meadows seconded the motion. (Resolution # 010917A) All Council Members voted in favor. (Motion carried).

2. Consideration and Approval of Grass Mowing Bid and Contract Negotiations

Mr. Braswell advised that Denver Landscape's contract expired December 31st. Staff put the contract out to bid and Allgreen Ground Management came in with the low bid at \$105,306. All references and the background check came back positive. Councilwoman Breyare made a motion to award the grass mowing contract to Allgreen Ground Management. Councilman Toomey seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. (Motion carried).

3. Consideration and Approval of CWRAR 2017 Grant Application

Mr. Braswell requested approval for the 2017 CWRAR application process. He advised that this is the same grant funding that the City received for the receptacles that were placed downtown and at the parks. If the grant is awarded it would help with the cost of recycle roll out containers. Councilman Toomey made a motion to approve the CWRAR grant application. Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session - pursuant to N.C.G.S 143-318.11 (a)(3 and 6)

At this time Councilman Bishop made a motion to enter into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (3and 6). Councilman Meadows seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

Councilman Bishop made a motion to return to open session. Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded the motion. All Council members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

ADJOURN

With no additional items for discussion, Mayor Hough entertained a motion to adjourn. Councilman Bishop made the motion to adjourn the January 9, 2017 Council Meeting. Councilwoman Breyare seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

The meeting adjourned.