City of Mount Holly
Mount Holly City Council Work Session Meeting
Monday, September 26, 2016
Council Chambers
6:30 pm

Call to Order
Mayor Hough called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. The following were present:

Mayor Bryan Hough	Danny Jackson, City Manager
Mayor Pro Tem David Moore	
Councilman Jerry Bishop	David Johnson, City Engineer/ Director of Utilities
Councilman Jim Hope	Ryan Baker, Fire Chief
Councilman Perry Toomey-absent	Mark Jusko, Recreation Supervisor
Councilman Jeff Meadows	Miles Braswell, Assistant City Manager
Councilwoman Carolyn Breyare	Don Roper, Police Chief
Attorney Kemp Michael	Greg Beal, Planning Director
	Africa Otis, Finance Officer

Invocation

Mayor Pro Tem David Moore led the Council, staff and attendees in prayer.

SET THE AGENDA

With no changes to the agenda, Mayor Pro Tem Moore made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilman Meadows seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Surplus Property
2. Call for a Public Hearing to amend Chapter 17, Subdivision Ordinance of the City Code of Laws in regard to regulating private trails in developments

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

WORK SESSION AGENDA

1. Update from the Strategic Visioning Plan Scope of Services

   Mr. Beal advised that Arnett Muldrow will make a presentation at the October meeting regarding the Strategic Visioning Plan. Mr. Beal commented that the company will research what things are feasible for Mount Holly. Mr. Meadows commented that he hopes this process isn't redundant of what is being done by Buxton Company. Councilwoman Breyare advised that if there is a committee for this process Kathy Haverty would like to serve on the committee.

2. Presentation of Water Tank Options

Mr. Johnson asked what we can do to brand the City. The branding would come from people seeing the logo from Interstate 85 and becoming familiar with it. Mr. Johnson showed an example of each tank to council and explained how each one would look lighted. We also looked at the Hewitt tank because this is what is seen when you come across the bridge into Mount Holly on Highway 27. He suggested placing the logo only on this tank as well. Michael Butler took pictures of the Hewitt Street tank and configured the placement of the logo. Councilwoman Breyare commented that she showed the proposed pictures to 18 different people and no one knew what the logo meant. She suggested putting GO GASTON on the stem and maybe that would pay for the painting of the tanks. Mayor Pro Tem Moore stated he likes option 3. Mayor Hough prefers the option with Mount Holly around the bottom. Mr. Johnson advised that he will get final prices (bids) and bring those results back to Council.

3. Americans with Disabilities Act – Title II Update

Mr. Braswell updated the City Council regarding the ADA Title II program and compliance within the City. He advised that he is serving in the capacity of the coordinator of the program; however each department will have a liaison. There were questions from Council regarding staffing for enforcement of the program. Mr. Braswell advised that currently the City is sufficiently staffed for the program but we are working on putting a reasonable plan in place to correct the issues within the City. Mr. Jackson added that at the last Manager's meeting he asked the question about ADA plans and only one of the municipalities have a plan in place.

4. Update on the Grand Hall Policy

Mr. Jackson advised that back in April, Gaston Hospice was allowed to have an event in the upstairs administration area as a test run to see if this could possibility work as an extra revenue stream for the City. Mr. Jackson showed pictures of the event and asked for feedback regarding their feeling toward the use of the space. He advised that only a select few would be allowed to hold events in the space. It was consensus of the Council to allow Mr. Jackson to use his own discretion in regard to renting the Admin space.

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

At this time Mayor Pro Tem Moore made a motion to enter into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (3). Councilman Bishop 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)

6. Adjourn

With no additional items for discussion, Mayor Hough entertained a motion to adjourn. Councilman Bishop made the motion to adjourn the September 26, 2016 Council Work Session Meeting. Councilman Meadows seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.