

City of Mount Holly
Mount Holly City Council Meeting
Monday, September 10, 2012
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	Jamie Guffey, Assistant City Manager
Councilman Jerry Bishop	Greg Beal, Senior Planner
Councilwoman Carolyn Breyare	James Friday, Director of Utilities
Councilman J. Jason Gowen	Dale Oplinger, Fire Chief
Councilman Jim Hope	David James, Interim Chief of Police
Councilman Perry Toomey	Mike Santmire, Streets and Solid Waste Director
Kemp Michael, City Attorney	Ed Smith, Recreation Director

Invocation

Joe Mullins from Grace Baptist Church in Mount Holly gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Set Agenda

Mayor Hough commented that Councilwoman Breyare has requested that the Grand Hall Rental Policy be taken off of the Consent Agenda and placed on the regular agenda. He advised that it will be Old Business #2. Mayor Hough further advised that Presentations 1 and 2 need to be switched. With no other changes to the agenda, Mayor Pro Tem Moore made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Councilwoman Breyare seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Budget Amendments (wayfinding signage, repairs to Streets Dept Explorer and TDA)
2. Approval of Catawba River District Letter of Endorsement
3. Approval of Surplus Property
4. Call for a Public Hearing for Rezoning 800 and 806 Belmont Mount Holly Road from R-12 to B-2
5. Approval of a Resolution to Call for a Public Hearing to Close First Street in the River Street Park Area
6. Call for a Public Hearing to amend Article 9 Signs of the Mount Holly Zoning Ordinance
7. Approval of the minutes for the August 13, 2012 Council meeting

Councilman Bishop made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilwoman Breyare seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation from the Mount Holly Chamber *Doug Bess*
Mr. Doug Bess came before the City Council to give an update on the initiatives of the Mount Holly Chamber. He advised that the Mount Holly Chamber formed in 2009. Mr. Bess reported on the Mount Holly Mornings, Let's Have Lunch and the most recent Buy Local campaign. Mr. Bess invited the Council to these events and added that the Mount Holly Chamber hopes to partner with the City and other community groups in Mount Holly.
2. Proclamation for a "Moment of Remembrance" on September 11, 2012
Mayor Hough read the "Moment of Remembrance" proclamation to remember all those that lost their lives on 9/11.

3. Presentation of Certificate of Completion for Traffic Enforcement and Investigation Certification to Officer Ronnie Parsons

Chief James presented Officer Parsons with a plaque to honor his achievement completing his Traffic Enforcement and Investigation Certification. Chief James advised that Officer Parsons is only the 181st officer in North Carolina to receive this award.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Public Hearing regarding an application to rezone Broomer's Car Wash, located at 706 South Main Street, Tax Parcel #124488, from B-2 Neighborhood Business to B-3 General Business

At this time, Councilman Toomey made a motion to enter into the public hearing. Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded the motion. All council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried) With no one signed up to speak, Mayor Pro Tem Moore made a motion to return to regular session. Councilman Bishop seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

Mayor Pro Tem Moore made a motion to approve the rezoning of Broomer's Car Wash, located at 706 South Main Street, from B-2 Neighborhood Business to B-3 General Business. Councilman Bishop seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion of the Public Works Facility

Mr. Jackson advised that staff has been made aware that the Duke Energy property may become available and some Council Members have expressed interest in the property for the possible location of the Public Works Facility. It was the consensus of Council to hold off on any decision regarding the Public Works Facility Site until Staff can gather more information on the Duke Property.

2. Approval of Fees Associated with the Grand Hall Rental Policy

Mr. Jackson advised that is item is a follow up to the discussion at the work session regarding the Grand Hall Rental Policy. He further advised that the revisions to the policy include fees that required the approval of Council. The fees include a \$200 refundable damage deposit and \$125 per hour late fee. Councilman Hope made a motion to approve the fees associated with the Grand Hall Rental Policy. Councilwoman Breyare seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

REPORTS

Councilman Gowen publicly commended the Police Department for an excellent job last week during the DNC.

Councilwoman Breyare reported that the grass needs to be cut on West Catawba Avenue at the old city hall. She also commented that the City needs to send a thank you letter to the Ida Rankin Safety Patrol and to Boy Scout Troop #59 for their community service

Council Toomey asked if flags are being flown at half staff for 9/11.

Mr. Jackson advised that he made mention in the weekly update that there is some interest in the property in front of the Holiday Inn. He asked Council for permission to work with Mr. McClure on negotiating the price of the property.

Councilman Moore congratulated Mr. Jackson on his 1 year wedding anniversary.

ADJOURN

With no additional items for discussion, Mayor Hough entertained a motion to adjourn. Councilman Gowen made the motion to adjourn the September 10, 2012 Council Meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.