City of Mount Holly
Mount Holly City Council Meeting
Monday, August 12, 2013
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
Mayor Pro Tem David Moore
Councilman Jerry Bishop
Councilwoman Carolyn Breyare
Councilman J. Jason Gowen
Councilman Jim Hope
Councilman Perry Toomey
Kemp Michael, City Attorney

Danny Jackson, City Manager
Jamie Guffey, Assistant City Manager
Greg Beal, Senior Planner
James Friday, Director of Utilities
Dale Oplinger, Fire Chief
Don Roper, Chief of Police
Mike Santmire, Streets and Solid Waste Director

Invocation

Reverend Angela Pleasant, Pastor of First United Methodist Church gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mike Santmire, the Streets and Sanitation Director led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Set the Agenda

Mayor Hough advised that #2 on the Consent Agenda, *Approval of a Proclamation Supporting the Dedication of a Plaque for Stuart Cramer High School,* is a work in progress but will be presented Sunday at the dedication of the new high school. He further advised that Consent Agenda item #3, *Approval of the Amended MOU to Participate in the Gaston-Cleveland-Lincoln MPO,* will be taken off the agenda and put on the August work session agenda for discussion. With no additional changes, Councilman Gowen made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the Comprehensive Pedestrian Plan
2. Approval of a Proclamation Supporting the Dedication of a Plaque for Stuart Cramer High School
3. Approval of Allocation Fee
4. Approval of Liens for Grass and Weeds
    - 102 Maple Drive
    - 308 Norton Road
    - 121 Woodwinds Drive
    - 217 Highland Street
5. Approval of TDA Bylaws and Resolution
6. Approval of Budget Amendments
    - Police
    - Parks and Recreation
    - Holly Hills Apartments
7. Approval of a Resolution for the Exchange of Property Located at 201 North River Street with Three Parcels in the River Street Park Area owned by the Habitat for Humanity
8. Approval of the minutes for the June 10, 2013 Council meeting
9. Approval of the minutes for the June 24, 2013 Work Session Meeting

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

PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation to the CRO from Springfest

Ms. Oplinger came before the City Council to report on the success of this year's Springfest event and to present the CRO with a check from the proceeds of the event.

2. Presentation of the Gaston-Cleveland-Lincoln MPO

Mr. Graham with the Gaston MPO came before the Council to present the ridership survey for the 85X Gastonia Express Bus Route that runs from downtown Gastonia to Charlotte along I85. During his presentation he asked the Mount Holly City Council with funding assistance. It was the consensus of the Council to discussion this proposal further at the August work session.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Public hearing, regarding a request made by CaroMont Health, to amend the Manual for Development in Downtown Mount Holly, an appendix to the Zoning Ordinance, to exempt all medical uses greater than 25,000 square feet, including freestanding emergency care centers, physician offices, ambulatory care facilities, and other outpatient facilities, from the design standards of the Manual and Downtown Gateway Overlay District.

Mr. Beal advised that the proposed amendment to exempt all medical uses greater than 25,000 square feet, including freestanding emergency care centers, physician offices, ambulatory care facilities, and other outpatient facilities, from the design standards of the Manual and Downtown Gateway Overlay District was brought before the Planning Commission at their meeting on August 5th. He advised that the Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend to the Council approval of the proposed CaroMont request with the following requirements: no exemption from parking requirements, exterior walls primarily in brick and vinyl or aluminum siding, particle board, corrugated metal, unfinished concrete block, false stone cladding, rough-sewn wood, and synthetic stucco systems are visually incompatible with the Downtown Gateway Overlay District and are prohibited for all uses.

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

Councilman Bishop made a motion to approve the request from CaroMont to amend the Manual for Development in Downtown Mount Holly with the three (3) conditions listed above as recommended by the Planning Commission. Councilman Hope seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

OLD BUSINESS

1. Consideration and Approval of a Policy for the Rental of Tables and Chairs for the Grand Hall

Councilman Bishop made a motion to approve the policy for the rental of tables and chairs for the Grand Hall as presented. Councilman Hope seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

CLOSED SESSION

1. Closed Session *(pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (5))*

At this time Mayor Pro Tem Moore made a motion to enter into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (5). Councilman Gowen seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

Councilman Gowen made a motion to return to open session. Councilman Bishop seconded the motion. All Council members voted in favor. **(Motion carried)**

Mayor Hough advised that there was no action taken during closed session.

ADJOURN

With no additional items for discussion, Mayor Hough entertained a motion to adjourn. Councilman Bishop made the motion to adjourn the August 12, 2013 Council Meeting. Councilman Gowne seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.