City of Mount Holly
Mount Holly City Council Work Session Meeting
Monday, June 27, 2011
Council Chambers
6:30 pm

Call to Order

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

Mayor Bryan Hough	Danny Jackson, City Manager
Mayor Pro-Tem Carolyn Breyare	Jamie Guffey, Assistant City Manager
Councilman Jerry Bishop	David Belk, Police Chief
Councilman Jim Hope--**absent**	Dale Oplinger, Fire Chief
Councilman Perry Toomey	James Friday, Director of Utilities
Councilman Bennie Brookshire	Mike Santmire, Director of Streets and Solid Waste
Councilman David Moore	Ed Smith, Director of Parks & Recreation
Brooke Lopez with Kemp Michaels Office	Greg Beal, Senior Planner

Invocation

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

Set the Agenda

Mayor Hough asked Council for any changes to the June 27, 2011 work session agenda. With no changes to the agenda, Councilman Brookshire made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilman Toomey seconded the motion. All Council Members present, voted in favor. The motion passed.

At this time, Mr. Jackson recognized our one of the summer intern's Trey Burke. He advised that Trey is going into graduate school at Mississippi State in the fall.

1. Presentation from Montcross Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Ted Hall with the Montcross Chamber of Commerce came before the Council to ask for a partnership with to bring businesses to the area. Mr. Hall presented the Forward Together Plan and explained that partnering in the plan would be a tremendous asset to the economic growth of Mount Holly. He advised that the goal of this plan is to provide jobs and development to this area. Mayor Hough advised that the Council will take the information that has been provided into consideration and discuss it further at the next meeting.

2. Presentation on Revision for the Grand Hall Marketing Material

Ms. Brinkley presented the latest revisions to the marketing material for the Grand Hall. She advised that the brochure is ready to move forward with printing pending final approval from Council. Councilman Brookshire commented that he does not see the words "Mount Holly" on the cover of the pamphlet. Ms. Brinkley responded that she counted "Mount Holly" throughout the brochure at least seven (7) times. Therefore anyone hat picks up the brochure and looks in side will, without doubt know where the Grand Hall is located. At this time, Councilman Moore made a motion to approve the brochure as presented and move forward with the printing. Mayor Pro Tem Breyare seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

3. Consideration and Approval of Year End Budget Amendments

Ms. Otis presented budget amendments that would cover any budget "overages" in various Departments within the City. Ms. Otis took the opportunity to recognize the Department Heads for a job well done in regard to managing their Department budgets. Councilman Bishop made a motion to approve the proposed budget amendments. Councilman Toomey seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

4. Consideration and Approval of a Capital Project Ordinance for Sewer Line Repairs at West Catawba Avenue

Mr. Friday explained that a sewer line located on West Catawba Avenue unexpectedly collapsed and repairs need to be made as soon as possible. He advised that there is enough funds leftover in the Water and Wastewater budget to cover the cost of the repair. However, being it this close to the end of the fiscal year, Council will need to approve a Capital Project Ordinance for the project. Councilman Bishop made a motion to approve the Capital Project Ordinance for Sewer Line Repairs at West Catawba Avenue. Mayor Pro Tem Breyare seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor.

5. Consideration and Approval of the Wesley Chapel Block Party Request

Mr. Jackson advised that the proposed request came before the Council at the last meeting. This request will be a minimal cost to the City. Councilman Bishop made a motion to approve the Wesley Chapel Block Party request. Councilman Moore seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

6. Consideration and Approval of the Conditional Use Re-Zoning for 128.7 acre parcel for Crescent Industries

Mr. Beal advised that he received a letter from the River Keeper and passed it out to the City Council. Mayor Hough advised that due to the absence of the City Attorney and a Council Member, there will not be action taken on this item tonight. However it will be placed on the July meeting agenda for consideration.

7. Discussion of Marketing Plan for a Branding Logo

Mr. Beal reported that Mr. Nocik with American Classic Signs came before the Economic Development Committee and presented his companies wayfinding proposal. With the EDC being very impressed with the proposal, they recommended that Mr. Nocik come before the City Council with the same presentation. Mr. Beal explained that of all the companies that were contacted, American Classic Signs were most impressive especially with the examples samples that were provided from the Town of Aberdeen. At this time, Mr. Nocik was introduced and presented his company portfolio and the Mount Holly proposal. Mr. Beal added that the EDC recommends moving forward with a branding/logo and wayfinding campaign and the City use American Classic Signs for this service. Council directed staff to break the pricing into 3 phases and bring a proposal back for Council consideration at the July work session.

8. Discussion of Amendment to Chapter 4 *"Building Code"* and Chapter 9 *"Housing Code"* in the Mount Holly Code of Laws

Mr. DuPont advised that the proposed amendments to Chapters 4 and 9 of the Mount Holly Code of Laws is past due. Therefore, code enforcement has been working on these update for the past three (3) years. He advised that at the last meeting, City Council directed staff to provide a summary of the proposed changes. There were some minor typo's pointed out. Councilman Bishop made a motion to approve the proposed amendment to Chapter 4 *"Building Code"* and Chapter 9 *"Housing Code"* in the Mount Holly Code of Laws with the mentioned typographical changes. Councilman Moore seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

9. Discussion of Uses for the Annex at the Old City Hall

Mayor Pro Tem Breyare suggested that the City Council postpone this discussion until the next meeting when Councilman Hope is present. She feels with his background he will be able to give valuable input.

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

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

Councilman Bishop made a motion to come out of closed session. Mayor Pro Tem Breyare seconded the motion. All Council members voted in favor. **(Motion carried)**

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

At this time, Mayor Hough asked for comments from Council.

Councilman Toomey reported that here is an area on First Street that is asphalt is uneven and needs patching.

Councilman Bishop asked about the CDBG grant money. Mr. Jackson advised that the Federal Government had the funds held up but have recently released them. There will be a public hearing and then the final paper work will be submitted.

Councilman Bishop suggested that the Council look into the FOG Ordinance regulations as part of the Economic Development Incentive package. Council briefly discussed this potion and it was the consensus of that staff look into some finance options regarding the FOG Ordinance and bring a proposal back to the Council at the next meeting.

Councilman Moore reported that the cross walks need to be repainted,

Mr. Jackson reported that at the last meeting, as part of the Economic Development Grant Incentive Program, staff was directed to develop an application review committee for this program. He advised that Staff is recommending the Committee membership be made up with Greg Beal, Danny Jackson, Scott Anderson, James Allen and Angie Saunders. Councilman Bishop made a motion to approve the Committee. Mayor Pro Tem Breyare seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

11. Adjourn

With no additional items for discussion, Mayor Hough entertained a motion to adjourn. Councilman Bishop made the motion to adjourn the June 27, 2011 Council work session meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Breyare seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor. **(Motion carried)**

The meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.