

City of Mount Holly
Mount Holly City Council Meeting
Monday, June 10, 2019
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 Perry Toomey	Miles Braswell, Assistant City Manager
Councilwoman Carolyn Breyare	Ryan Baker, Fire Chief
Councilman Charles McCorkle	Tony Walker, Assistant Streets and Solid Waste Director
Councilman Jeff Meadows	Dave Johnson, Utilities Director/City Engineer
Councilman David Moore—absent	Don Roper, Chief of Police
Councilwoman Lauren Shoemaker	Greg Beal, Planning Director
Kemp Michael, City Attorney	Africa Otis, Finance Director

Invocation

Councilman Charles McCorkle 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 THE AGENDA

With no changes to the agenda, Councilman McCorkle made a motion to approve the agenda as submitted. Mayor Pro Tem Toomey seconded the motion. All council members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Call for a Public Hearing to amend Rules and Procedures for the Planning Commission
2. Approval of a Bond Release for Rhyne's Trace Phase II
3. Approval of the minutes of the April 29, 2019 Council Work Session
4. Approval of the minutes of the May 13, 2019 Council Meeting

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

PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation of Springfest Proceeds to CRO
Gina Hough was present to speak on behalf of the Springfest Committee. She thanked all those involved in with the Springfest event. She then presented the CRO with a donation of \$2500.
2. Presentation of Funds from FROGS Organization to the City
Cindy Michael was present to speak on behalf of FROGS. The FROGS organization recently held a Chili Brew event and made a donation of the proceeds in the amount of \$2649.35 to the City to be used for greenway amenities. Mayor Hough thanked the Friends of the Greenway.
3. Employee Recognition Awards
Mr. Jackson advised that this is a new program that he implemented to recognize employees that go above and beyond their call of duty. Mr. Jackson presented Officers Cox and McManus with certificates for going above and beyond their call of duty in a certain situation.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Public Hearing on the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Budget and Fee Schedule

Mr. Braswell reported that a draft budget was presented to Council at the May meeting. Since that time, Council has met to discuss the proposed budget. Mr. Braswell advised that the budget includes a 3% COLA for employees and the employees insurance will be switched to BCBS. In the Administration Department, 2 new budgets were created, an IT Budget and a Building Maintenance Budget. Mr. Braswell reviewed the budget highlights that include the update to the Land Use Plan. At this time, Councilwoman Breyare made a motion to enter into Public Hearing for the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Budget and Fee Schedule. Mayor Pro Tem Toomey seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. With no one signed up to speak, Councilman Meadows made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Councilwoman Shoemaker seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor.

2. Public Hearing to amend Article 7 of the Zoning Ordinance, Special Requirement Notes to the Table of Uses, Note 5 Multi-Family, Mixed Use, Apartment and Townhome/Condominium Dwellings

Mr. DuPont advised that as a recommendation from the Strategic Visioning Plan the percentage of 1 bedroom apartment and townhome/condominium dwellings need to be lowered from 50% to 25%. He advised that the Planning Commission approved this recommendation unanimously.

At this time, Councilwoman Breyare made a motion to enter into Public Hearing to amend Article 7 of the Zoning Ordinance, Special Requirement Notes to the Table of Uses, Note 5 Multi-Family, Mixed Use, Apartment and Townhome/Condominium Dwellings. Councilman McCorkle seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. With no one signed up to speak, Councilman Meadows made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Councilwoman Breyare seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor.

Councilwoman Shoemaker made a motion to approve the proposed amendment to Article 7 of the Zoning Ordinance, Special Requirement Notes to the Table of Uses, Note 5 Multi-Family, Mixed Use, Apartment and Townhome/Condominium Dwellings. (Resolution #06102019A) Mayor Pro Tem Toomey seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Three (3) Minute Limit

Rodney Williams 315 South Main Street. Mr. Williams came before Council to ask that larger lot sizes in any future development be a consideration of the Council. He advised that larger lot sizes bring in better development.

Julia Benfield-204 Beatty Drive. Ms. Benfield reported on the recent Arts in Mount Holly Conair Event. She advised that there were 14 artists and thanked the City for their support.

Ray Herrington-400 Brookridge Drive. Mr. Herrington reported that there was serious flooding at Mountain Island Lake yesterday. He advised that he received word that there was plenty of room in Lake Norman to release flood waters. He asked if the City Council had any control over the release of water.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Presentation and Explanation of NCDOT Prioritization Process

Mr. Ledbetter came before the City Council to report on the NCDOT process for prioritizing road projects.

2. Discussion of the Installation of Stop Signs in Autumn Woods Subdivision

Rogers Richards from Autumn Woods HOA advised that stop signs are needed in their subdivision due to safety issues. Mr. Jackson commented that as Mount Holly continues to grow a more formal should be established. He advised that Staff would work on the process and bring back to the City Council at a future date.

3. Consideration and Approval of the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Budget Ordinance and Fee Schedule

Mr. Jackson advised that since the Council has heard the budget review they would now have the option to approve. He asked Council to consider postponing the vote to the work session. The LGC will be present at the work session meeting to answer any additional questions that Council may have. It was the consensus of Council to postpone the vote until the June work session.

ADJOURN

With no additional items for discussion, Mayor Hough entertained a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Breyare made the motion to adjourn the June 10, 2019 Council Meeting. Councilman McCorkle seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.