



## MINUTES

Tuesday, August 10, 2021: 6:00 PM

Town Council Business Meeting

Douglass Community Center: 1185 W. Pennsylvania Ave

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Haney called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### 3. TOWN MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Town Manager Reagan Parsons reviewed the meeting agenda noting several changes.

### 4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

#### a. AX 03-21: Voluntary Annexation Petition for 260 Saunders Blvd.

Robert and Tracy Currie have petitioned the Town for a voluntary annexation of a contiguous +.459-acre parcel, located at 260 Saunders Blvd. Town Manager Parsons noted that due to an error in publishing the legal ad, staff requests reschedule the public hearing August 23, 2021.

Councilmember Saulnier moved to reschedule the Public hearing regarding AX 03-21 to the work session scheduled for August 23, 2021 at 3:00 pm to be held at the Haney Room of the Town of Southern Pines Police Department, 450 West Pennsylvania Ave. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy and carried unanimously 5-0.

#### b. PD-04-21: CDP for NC 22 Overseas Shipping Container Self-Storage for 7688 NC 22 Hwy.

Dan Pritchard has submitted an application for a Planned Development Conceptual Development Plan in order to develop a storage facility with a commercial outparcel. The subject property is on the west side of NC 22, between Waynor Rd. and Russett Ct.

Upon motion by Councilmember Saulnier, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy and carried unanimously 5-0, the public hearing for PD-04-21 was opened.

Applicant Bob Koontz requested a continuance for approximately sixty days to allow his client to consider changes to the application.

Upon motion by Councilmember Saulnier, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy and carried unanimously 5-0, the public hearing for PD-04-21 was closed.

Councilmember Saulnier moved to continue the public hearing for PD-04-21 to October 14, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy and carried unanimously 5-0.

**c. PD-05-21: PDP for NC 22 Overseas Shipping Container Self-Storage for 7688 NC 22 Hwy**

Dan Pritchard has submitted a Preliminary Development Plan for the first phase of the overall development, to include a maximum of 290 storage units.

Upon motion by Councilmember Saulnier, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy and carried unanimously 5-0, the public hearing for PD-05-21 was opened.

This application is subject to the rezoning requested under PD-04-21 and cannot be addressed until that item is completed. Mr. Koontz requested a continuance of the scheduled hearing to October 14, 2021.

Upon motion by Councilmember Saulnier, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy and carried unanimously 5-0, the public hearing for PD-05-21 was closed.

Councilmember Saulnier moved to continue the public hearing for PD-05-21 to October 14, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy and carried unanimously 5-0.

**d. RA-02-21: Right-of-Way Abandonment on W. Michigan Ave.**

The Town, on behalf of the Mid-South development, proposes to abandon a section of right-of-way in order to facilitate an emergency access point for the Mid-South development . The section proposed for abandonment is located northwest of the intersection with Pine Street and West Michigan Avenue.

Upon motion by Councilmember Saulnier, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy and carried unanimously 5-0, the public hearing for RA-02-21 was opened.

Town Planner Lauren Long provided an overview of the project and the staff report associated with it. There were no further comments.

Upon motion by Councilmember Saulnier, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy and carried unanimously 5-0, the public hearing for RA-02-21 was closed.

Councilmember Saulnier moved that the proposed vacation of a section of W. Michigan Ave. does not deny any adjacent property owners their rights or means of reasonable access and that the closure is in the public interest. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy and carried unanimously 5-0.

Councilmember Saulnier moved to approve the order as drafted to vacate a section of W. Michigan Ave. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy and carried unanimously 5-0.

## 5. ACTION ITEMS

a. **AR-02-21: Consider Architectural Compliance Permit for 540 SW Broad St.**

John Heckethorn, on behalf of Colin and Emi Webster, requests approval of an Architectural Compliance Permit for a 4,668 square-foot commercial office building.

Upon motion by Councilmember Saulnier, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy and carried unanimously 5-0, AR-02-21: Architectural Compliance Permit for 540 SW Broad St. was approved.

b. **WP-02-21: Watershed Protection Permit for NC 22 Overseas Shipping Container Self-Storage for 7688 NC 22 Hwy.**

Dan Pritchard has submitted an application for a Watershed Protection Permit in order to develop a storage facility with a commercial outparcel. If approved, the project will be permitted to develop up to the 70% of the built-upon land area. The subject property is on the west side of NC 22, between Waynor Rd. and Russett Ct.

As this application is associated with PD-04-21 and PD-05-21, it will be rescheduled for October 12, 2021.

c. **Consent Agenda**

*All items listed below are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and without discussion.*

1. **AX-04-21: Approve Resolution to Set Public Hearing for Annexation Petition**

Ms. Toni Anne Washington has petitioned the Town for a voluntary annexation of a contiguous +2.03-acre parcel, located at 1042 SW Broad St. Upon receipt of a Certificate of Sufficiency from the Town Clerk, the next step is to adopt a resolution setting a date for a public hearing. The hearing is proposed for September 14.

2. **Re-Appoint Cooper Carter to the Planning Board for a Term to Expire May 15, 2024**

Cooper Carter has served on the Town's Planning Board since 2019. His term expired on May 15 and he requests re-appointment for a three-year term.

3. **Approve Minutes**

- a. July 7, 2021 Agenda Meeting
- b. July 7, 2021 Closed Session
- c. July 13, 2021 Business Meeting
- d. July 23, 2021 Work Session

Upon motion by Councilmember Saulnier, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy and carried unanimously 5-0, the Consent Agenda was approved.

**d. Appointment of Council Treasurer & Vice-Treasurer**

Councilmember Mitch Lancaster, who currently serves as Treasurer, is vacating his seat to move to Pinehurst.

Upon motion by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy, seconded by Councilmember Pate and carried unanimously 5-0, Councilmember Saulnier was appointed Treasurer.

Councilmember Saulnier moved to appoint Mayor Haney as Vice-Treasurer, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy and carried unanimously 5-0 the motion was approved.

The Mayor and Council wished Councilmember Lancaster well and thanked him for his service, unique perspective and hard work.

**6. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The following attendees addressed Council:

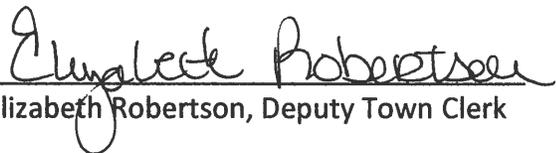
- a. Felicia Winfield of 1760 W. New York Ave. expressed thanks to those who supported the ongoing efforts of West Southern Pines and its residents.
- b. Dorothy Brower of 102 Eastman Rd. indicated her appreciation for the Town engaging with the Southern Pines Land and Housing Trust regarding possible assistance in supporting the purchase of the former Southern Pines Primary School.
- c. Don Rich of Mechanic Street spoke in opposition to enhanced code enforcement and expressed his dissatisfaction with the School Board's decision regarding the primary school.
- d. Donnie Miller of 980 Lowe Ave. questioned the lack of black representation in the administration and the racism he perceives in the community.
- e. Arthur Mason of 795 W New Hampshire Ave. expressed his dissatisfaction with the Moore County School Board decision.
- f. Marsh Smith of Warrior Woods declared his support to the Southern Pines Land and Housing Trust's effort to acquire the primary school campus.
- g. Oliver Hines of Southern Pines stated that the community as a whole should fight against gentrification and encouraged the Council and Town to rally and support the West Southern Pines community.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Councilman Saulnier, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy and carried unanimously 5-0, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 pm.

As so incorporated to these minutes of August 10, 2021 are exact copies as so recorded in the ordinance and resolution books of the Town of Southern Pines as fully set out in the minutes.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Elizabeth Robertson, Deputy Town Clerk

