



## MINUTES

Monday, August 23, 2021: 3:00 PM

Town Council Work Session

C. Michael Haney Community Room: Southern Pines Police Department  
450 W. Pennsylvania Ave

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Carol Haney called the work session to order and welcomed everyone to the meeting. All members of Council were present.

### 2. TOWN MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Town Manager Reagan Parsons reviewed the pending agenda.

### 3. PUBLIC HEARING: 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  $\pm$ .459-acre parcel, located at 260 Saunders Blvd.

Upon motion by Councilmember Saulnier, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy and carried unanimously 4-0, the public hearing for AX-03-21 was opened.

Planning Director B.J. Grieve gave an overview of the application.

Upon motion by Councilmember Saulnier, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy and carried unanimously 4-0, the public hearing for AX-03-21 was closed.

Councilmember Mike Saulnier moved to adopt an Ordinance approving the Voluntary Annexation request in application AX-03-21 for the property as defined in the submitted written metes and bound description, and to have the Ordinance effective immediately. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Paul Murphy and carried 4-0.

### 4. ACTION ITEM: AX-05-21: Voluntary Annexation Petition for 200 & 300 Pavilion Way

Planning Director Grieve gave an overview of the request. Pinehurst Medical Group, LLC and Pinehurst Surgical Clinic Realty, LLC have petitioned the Town for a voluntary annexation of two contiguous parcels, totaling  $\pm$ 19.78 acres. The parcels are on Pavilion Way between W. Morganton Rd. and S. Carlisle St. State law requires that Council direct the Town Clerk to investigate the sufficiency of the petition before proceeding further.

Councilmember Pate questioned the timing of the annexation request. Planning Director Grieve stated that it is preferable that the annexation request come much earlier in the process due to water

connection needs but that was not needed in this case. Town Manager Parsons mentioned that an earlier annexation would have eased some jurisdictional issues that have occurred on this project site with law enforcement responding to theft reports.

Councilmember Mike Saulnier moved to adopt a Resolution directing the Town Clerk to investigate application AX-05-21. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Paul Murphy and carried 4-0.

## 5. COUNCIL UPDATES AND DISCUSSION

### a. Paddock Lane: Speed Reduction Petition

Town Manager Parsons briefly reviewed the petition. The Town has received a petition from 25 residents of Paddock Lane requesting a reduction of the speed limit from 35 MPH to 25 MPH.

Town Manager Parsons stated that as this street ends in a cul-de-sac the Town does not typically support a reduction in the speed limit to 25mph nor does the Town it put up signage on a cul de sac, however this is also one of the last publically dedicated streets in the Longleaf community that has not been reduced to 25mph.

Council discussed the matter. Most of the complaints of speeding on this street come from the service staff of Longleaf Club. Given this is of such a concern to residents and the majority of the surrounding streets are signed at 25mph, Council directed staff to draft a resolution for review.

### b. Potential Negotiations with Moore County Board of Education

Mayor Haney has requested that the School Board consider negotiations that would allow the Town to acquire the Blanchie Carter Park, part of the campus for the former Southern Pines Primary School and is seeking the support of the Council in the form of a Resolution that she read aloud to the Council.

There is an appraisal and survey already available on the property. The property is currently FRR zoned. Mayor Haney feels this is consistent with the Town's efforts to revitalize West Southern Pines. Councilmembers Saulnier, Pate and Mayor Pro Tem all agreed to give the Council's support.

Councilmember Mike Saulnier moved to adopt a Resolution as written Authorizing The Town of Southern Pines To Privately Negotiate With The Moore County Board Of Education to Acquire The Property Know As Blanchie Carter Park, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Paul Murphy and carried 4-0.

### c. Library Surplus Books and Materials

Town Manager Parsons gave a brief overview of the request. He shared that the current practice requires staff to store proposed surplus items until a future time when Council approves the surplus. Staff recommends that Council grant ongoing authority to the Library Director and Purchasing Agent to surplus books and other circulating materials that are no longer usable by the Town on an as-needed basis.

**d. NCDOT Agreement for Relocation of Main Water Transmission Line**

Town Manager Parsons, with Town Engineer James Michel's assistance, gave an overview of the project. NCDOT has plans to improve the US-1 corridor between Southern Pines and Aberdeen. This project will require the relocation of an existing 18-inch transmission water line owned by the Town to the right-of-way of North Poplar Street in Aberdeen. NCDOT has prepared a draft three-party agreement to execute with Southern Pines and Aberdeen.

Actual work will not start until after the 2024 Men's U.S. Open in Pinehurst. Under current NC General Statute, the Town is responsible for 25% of the actual costs to relocate these lines. The amount in the draft agreement is only an estimate of the pre-bid cost and could be significantly higher when construction is completed.

**e. Aberdeen Bulk Water**

Town Manager Parsons gave an overview of the request. The Town of Aberdeen has requested to purchase bulk water from the Town of Southern Pines in order to serve a new development off SW Broad Street. Staff is continuing discussions with Aberdeen about this and will forward the agreement to Council when it is ready.

**f. FFCRA Program Extension**

Town Manager reviewed the request and the accompanying memo from Administrative Services Director Bruce Rosenberg. The Town extended the FFCRA (Families First Coronavirus Response Act) program on a voluntary basis through June 30, 2021. Staff recommends that Council voluntarily extend the program.

Councilmember Saulnier motioned to extend the FFCRA program until December 31, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Murphy and carried unanimously, 4-0.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Councilmember Saulnier, seconded by Councilmember Pate and carried unanimously 4-0, the meeting was adjourned at 3:56 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Elizabeth Robertson, Deputy Town Clerk

