

SPENCER BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING  
JANUARY 18, 2011  
7:00 P.M  
(RESCHEDULED FROM 1/11/11)

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Jody Everhart  
Mayor Pro-Tem Scott Benfield  
Aldermen: Tracy Aitken  
Delaine Fowler  
David Smith  
Reid Walters

MEMBERS ABSENT: Alderman: Jeff Morris

Also present were Town Manager Larry Smith and Town Attorney Rivers Lawther. Mayor Everhart opened the meeting with prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

RECOGNITION – Alderman Benfield thanked the public works, police, and fire departments for their extra efforts during the recent ice and snow. Alderman Fowler recognized the Community Appearance Commission, many of whom were present in the audience, for their work during the past year.

STUDENT APPRECIATION AWARDS went to Stephanie Garcia Padua, North Rowan Elementary School, and Veronica Leasure, North Rowan Middle School.

1. ADDITIONS / DELETIONS AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

**MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN FOWLER TO ADD “CAC UPDATE AND MEMBERSHIP CHANGES” AS #11 ON THE AGENDA, AND ADD “RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NC’S CURRENT PUBLIC ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL SYSTEM” AS #12 ON THE AGENDA. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BENFIELD AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN AITKEN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING ON DECEMBER 14, 2010. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN FOWLER AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS were given by Public Works Director Jeff Bumgarner, Land Management Director Dustin Wilson, and Town Clerk Lisa Perdue. Chief James introduced Hunter Shue, who has accepted a conditional offer of employment as a Spencer police officer. The Fire Department report was presented in writing.

4. TOWN MANAGER LARRY SMITH reported on major town projects. The Board gave their approval to the tentative agenda for the planning retreat to be held on Friday, January 28, from 6 to 9 pm, and Saturday, January 29, from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

5. MAYORAL & DELEGATE REPORTS – Mayor Everhart reported on his activities since the last Board meeting.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Gobbel, 609 Eighth Street, expressed concern over the deterioration of downtown buildings.

NEW BUSINESS

7. PROCLAMATION – DR. DAVID N. SMITH

**MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN BENFIELD TO ADOPT THE ATTACHED PROCLAMATION CONCERNING DR. DAVID N. SMITH. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN SMITH AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

8. PROPERTY LIEN

**MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN AITKEN TO APPROVE THE LIEN AGAINST 301 NORTH SALISBURY AVENUE FOR \$581.00. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN SMITH AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

9. BUDGET AMENDMENTS

**MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN BENFIELD TO APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS 2011-01 THROUGH 2011-03. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN WALTERS AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

10. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS / REAPPOINTMENTS

**MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN FOWLER TO APPOINT SHUNTALE SMITH TO THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION, REAPPOINT RON GERLOCK AND CRAIG POWERS TO THE PLANNING BOARD, AND REAPPOINT LARRY BOLEN AND JIM SAIN TO THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN AITKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

11. CAC UPDATE AND MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

Ed Robinette reviewed the CAC Report of Activities for 2010, and introduced new Chairman, Ashley Myers. The Commission requests the removal of Rodney Jester from the roster and the appointment of Lynn Plummer.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN AITKEN TO REMOVE RODNEY JESTER FROM THE COMMUNITY APPEARANCE COMMISSION ROSTER. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN FOWLER AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN WALTERS TO APPOINT LYNN PLUMMER, 405 S BALDWIN AVENUE, TO THE COMMUNITY APPEARANCE COMMISSION. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN AITKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

12. RESOLUTION-SUPPORT OF CURRENT PUBLIC ABC SYSTEM

A letter was received from Rowan Kannapolis ABC Board opposing the privatization of the Alcoholic Beverage Control System. Aldermen are being asked to approve the attached resolution in support of North Carolina's Current Public Alcoholic Beverage Control System.

Following discussion, **MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN WALTERS NOT TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL SYSTEM. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN SMITH AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF FOUR:**  
**AYES: AITKEN, FOWLER, SMITH, WALTERS**  
**NAYS: BENFIELD**

With no further business, Mayor Everhart adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa B. Perdue, CMC  
Clerk to the Board