

SPENCER BOARD OF ALDERMEN
CALLED MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 23, 2011
5:30 P.M.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Alderman: Delaine Fowler

Also present were Town Manager Larry Smith, Attorney Rivers Lawther, Police Chief Mike James, and Town Clerk Lisa Perdue.

1. CLOSED SESSION – PERSONNEL ISSUE

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN BENFIELD TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS A PERSONNEL MATTER. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN SMITH.

The Board discussed with the Town Attorney which Permitted Purposes for Closed Sessions would be applicable under GS 143-318.11. Alderman Morris questioned the use of #6, stating that the statute deals with initial hire of an employee. Attorney Lawther advised that the rest of that section was why the meeting was called – “to hear or investigate a complaint, charge, or grievance by or against an individual public officer or employee”. Morris stated that he wanted to add #7 – “to plan, conduct, or hear reports concerning investigations of alleged criminal misconduct”.

ALDERMAN BENFIELD REVISED HIS MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AS ALLOWED BY G.S. 143-318.11 (a)(6) AND (a)(7). MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN SMITH AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Following the closed session, Alderman Morris summarized that the Board had discussed an allegation of alleged criminal misconduct that was said to have occurred on March 2, and were briefed by the Chief of Police and the Town Manager, and no action was taken.

With no further business, Mayor Everhart adjourned the meeting at 5:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa B. Perdue, Clerk to the Board