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CITY OF STATESVILLE PRE-AGENDA MEETING – August 17, 2015
CITY HALL – 227 S. CENTER STREET, STATESVILLE, NC – 6:00 P.M.
STATESVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA**

Mayor Costi Kutteh presiding:

Council Present: J. Johnson, Schlesinger, Morgan, Williams, M. Johnson, West, Watt

Council Absent: Phifer

Staff Present: Pressley, Fugett, Gaines, Davis, Currier, Houpe, Triplett, Watts, Ferguson, Harrell, Smyth, Hutchens, Cornelius

Others: 0

Media Present: Jim McNally-Statesville Record & Landmark

I Call to Order

Mayor Kutteh called the meeting to order and advised an Executive Session would be held following the Pre-Agenda meeting to discuss a personnel matter.

Mayor Kutteh asked if Council wanted any items on the Consent Agenda to be moved to the Regular Agenda. No items were moved.

II Consent Agenda – All items below are considered to be routine by City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Council member so requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered with the other items listed in the Regular Agenda.

- A. Consider approving the minutes of the August 03, 2015 Pre-Agenda meeting, and August 03, 2015 Council meeting.**
- B. Consider approving 2nd reading of an ordinance to annex the Heath Property located at 1336 Northside Drive.**
- C. Consider approving the purchase of one (1) bucket truck with utility body for \$206,869 from Altec through a NJPA contract and \$1,011 for tax and tag.**
- D. Consider approving a revision to the Utility Customer Policies and Procedures section of the Services Policy Manual.**
Mayor Kutteh explained that the Utility Customer Policies and Procedures were updated in the last revision to the Services Policy Manual adopted by City Council on February 4, 2013. At that time, staff amended the Customer Delivery Points section of the Services Policy Manual to state that the City would provide three phase self-contained meter bases only. Staff would now like to reinstate the practice to provide single phase, self-contained meter bases as well. Providing these meter bases guarantees that all self-contained meter bases will include a bypass handle. This allows meters to be changed without interrupting power.
- E. Consider authorizing the rollover of outstanding purchase orders and other encumbrances and approve Budget Amendment #03.**
- F. Request approval to appropriate insurance money in the amount of \$3,069.00 to the Police Department's Vehicle Maintenance and Repair account and approval of Budget Amendment #2.**
- G. Consider approving the appropriation of additional funds for Leslie Mazingo to develop a Federal Action Plan and to fund City Council's approval on August 03, 2015 to hire Leslie for an additional 11 months to implement that FAP and approve Budget Amendment #4.**
- H. Consider approving a motion to close Oakhurst Street between 241 & 248 Oakhurst Street on Sunday, September 6, 2015, between 12:00 p.m. and**

12:00 a.m. for the Swinestock Committee to host their 16th Annual fundraising event.

Mayor Kutteh reviewed the Regular Agenda as follows:

Regular Agenda

VI Conduct a public hearing and consider approving first reading of an ordinance to annex the property owned by the City of Statesville located at 1824 Amity Hill Road.

VII Conduct a public hearing and consider approving first reading of ZC15-08 filed by Myron Black to rezone the property located at 851 Salisbury Road; Tax Map 4744-52-1771 from B-4 CU to B-4.

David Currier listed Council's options regarding this item. He said that Council is under no obligation to approve and no justification is needed. Council member M. Johnson asked if this property is part of their Service Area. Mr. Currier stated that 1,900 square feet is in the B4-CU section and they are in compliance. Council member Schlesinger asked why this was zoned B4-CU. Mr. Currier explained. Council member Schlesinger asked if there are currently residential properties located on Dorsett Road. Mr. Currier replied there is one building that has sixteen condominiums. Council member Watt asked if landscape buffers are required. Mr. Currier reviewed the buffering requirements explaining that the applicant has indicated there will also be a 15 ft. retaining wall. Mr. Currier said that for Council to add conditions at this point the applicant should probably resubmit with Council's conditions added.

VIII Review report regarding the City of Statesville's utility deposit policy.

Mayor Kutteh asked if the utility deposit policy is going to be expanded to include residential. Mr. Triplett replied yes and distributed a handout with additional information to Council.

IX Consider adding additional members to the Statesville Regional Airport Commission.

Mayor Kutteh stated that staff has put together several alternatives to changes to the Statesville Regional Airport for consideration by City Council. The Airport Commission currently has seven members with five appointed by City Council, one City Council member appointed by the Mayor, and one County Commissioner appointed by Iredell County Commissioners. As detailed in the Airport Commission By-laws, two to three members can be either pilots and/or current tenants; two to three could be local business owners with an interest in airport issues; and the final two represent the City Council and County Commission. Members of the Airport Commission shall reside in Iredell County; however, no more than three of the members can live outside of the City limits. To amend the makeup of the Commission, the Bylaws may be amended, repealed, or altered, in whole or in part, by a majority vote of the Commission Members present at any duly organized meeting of the Commission, provided that a copy of any amendment proposed for consideration shall be mailed to the last recorded address of each Member at least thirty days prior to the date of the meeting. These Bylaws, and any amendments to these Bylaws, shall take effect only upon approval or ratification by the City Council and the City Code Section 4-28 (b) must be amended. Below are alternatives from staff:

Alternative A

Leave the Commission as it is currently made up.

Alternative B

Add one additional person to the Commission to represent a major tenant on the Airport. The residency requirement would need to be changed as per the By-Laws and City Code of Ordinances.

Alternative C

Add two positions on the Airport Commission, one to represent a major tenant on the Airport (with change in residency) and one person with specific aviation knowledge with residency within the Statesville City limits.

If an alternative is recommended at the August 17, 2015 City Council Meeting, then the Airport Commission could approve the By-law change at their meeting on October 8.

This is to meet the 30 day notification requirement; however the September Airport Commission meeting could be rescheduled to meet the 30 day requirement. City Council could approve the By-law change and the City Ordinance change in September. If the number of members changes, staff recommends that the City advertise that applications are being accepted for the new position as this will provide a fresh set of applications from which to consider.

X Receive a brief synopsis from Council member William Morgan on the Economic Development Course held at UNC-CH School of Government. (Pre-Agenda Meeting Only)

Council member Morgan distributed information from the course to Council members and reviewed it. Council briefly discussed ideas to recruit new business to the City.

Council member West made a motion to move to Executive Session in accordance with N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6) to discuss a personnel matter and N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3) to preserve the attorney client privilege, seconded by Council member Morgan. The motion carried unanimously.

Upon return from Executive Session Mayor Kutteh stated that a personnel matter was discussed and the attorney client privilege preserved and no action was taken.

Council member West made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Council member J. Johnson. The motion carried unanimously.



Attest:


Constantine H. Kutteh, Mayor


Brenda Fugett, City Clerk