

**Town of Angier  
Board of Commissioners  
Tuesday, June 5, 2018, 7:00 P.M.  
Angier Municipal Building  
28 North Raleigh Street  
Minutes**

The Town of Angier convened during a regularly scheduled Board of Commissioners meeting Tuesday, June 5, 2018, in the Board Room inside the Municipal Building at 28 North Raleigh Street.

**Members Present:** Mayor Lewis W. Weatherspoon  
Commissioner Bob Smith  
Commissioner Loru Boyer Hawley  
Commissioner Mike Hill

**Members Excused:** Mayor Pro-Tem/Commissioner Craig Honeycutt

**Staff Present:** Interim Town Manager Michael McLaurin  
Planning and Permitting Technician Sean Johnson  
Library Director Amanda Davis  
Police Chief Bobby Hallman  
Corporal Lee Thompson  
Officer Scott Pollard  
Officer Tito Frink  
Officer Jerrel Wilson  
Public Works Director Jimmy Cook  
Parks & Recreation Director Derek McLean  
Town Attorney Dan Hartzog Jr.  
Town Clerk Veronica Hardaway

**Others Present:** Rick Curl, represented *The Daily Record*

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Weatherspoon presided, calling the Board of Commissioners meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Boy Scout Troop #125 and Cub Scout Troop #125 led the pledge of allegiance.
3. **Invocation:** Boy Scout Troop #125 and Cub Scout Troop #125 offered the invocation.
4. **Approval of the June 5, 2018, meeting agenda:** The Town Board amended the agenda; adding new business item #9D – Discussion and Determination of which search firms the Board would like to interview; and #9E – Appointment of a Finance Officer.

**Board Action:** The Town Board unanimously approved the June 5, 2018 meeting agenda with the above amendments.

**Motion:** Commissioner Smith

**Second:** Commissioner Hawley

**Vote:** Unanimous, 4-0

**5. Town of Angier Employee Recognition:**

Mayor Weatherspoon announced that Officer Scott Pollard recently received his Intermediate Law Enforcement Certificate through the NC Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission.

Mayor Weatherspoon recognized Angier Police Officers in attendance: Corporal Lee Thompson, Officer Scott Pollard, Officer Jerrel Wilson, and Officer Tito Frink.

The Board welcomed new Officer Frink to the Town of Angier.

**6. Public Forum:** Mayor Weatherspoon provided an opportunity for audience members who wished to address the Board of Commissioners on issues not listed on the Agenda.

Mayor Weatherspoon addressed the audience and asked that each speaker limit comments to three minutes (3) in addressing the Town Board. He also reminded attendees that citizens who appear before the Town Board should note that the Board may not take any action regarding subject matter. Topics requiring further investigation will be referred to the appropriate town officials or staff and may be scheduled for a future agenda. Any handouts distributed must be furnished to the Town Clerk.

Alan Coats, 131 Wilma Street, wanted to clarify that at the April meeting he was not representing the Chamber of Commerce but as a concerned citizen. He also mentioned that the newspaper reported he was attacking the Mayor and that was not his intent. Mr. Coats informed the Board that the Town has lost one of their leading pastors recently, Mr. Allen Mason. He reminded everyone of the upcoming concerts. He also expressed his regret to learn that two more Town employees have left.

**7. Consent Agenda:** The Town Board unanimously voted to approve the Consent Agenda as listed below:

- A. Minutes – May 1, 2018 – Town Board Regular Meeting Minutes; May 14, 2018 – Town Board Special Called Meeting Minutes; May 22, 2018 – Town Board Work Session Meeting Minutes**
- B. Budget Amendments: #BOA2018.28 – Hwy 210/Park Street Sidewalk Project; #BOA2018.29 – Police vehicle payoff; #BOA2018.30 – severance payout to former Town Manager**
- C. Consideration of joining Triangle J Council of Government – Resolution #007-2018**

**D. Consideration to participate with the Small Town Main Street Program – Resolution #008-2018**

**Motion:** Commissioner Hill  
**Second:** Commissioner Smith  
**Vote:** 4-0, unanimous

**8. Public Hearing:**

A. Proposed Budget for the Town of Angier's 2018-2019 Fiscal Year and adoption of the Budget Ordinance.

Interim Town Manager Mike McLaurin presented the FY2018-2019 proposed Budget along with the Budget Ordinance.

Mayor Weatherspoon opened the public hearing.

Jr. Price, 609 N Dunn Street, questioned why the Town is spending \$45,000 on a wall around the pond at the park versus hiring a full time Planning/Code Enforcement position.

Mr. McLaurin stated the wall is needed due to erosion problems around the pond.

Joe Langley, 298 Kirk Adams Road, agreed with Jr. Price and stated he would rather see the money go back into Parks and Recreation. He stated he would like to see a recreation facility built. He thinks the Town should wait to vote on the budget and suggested the Board look into impact fees at the county level designated for Black River Township.

Mr. McLaurin stated he will speak to the County Manager.

Seeing no one else come forward, Mayor Weatherspoon closed the public hearing.

**Board Action:** The Town Board voted to adopt the Budget Ordinance and accept the proposed FY2018-2019 budget.

**Motion:** Commissioner Smith  
**Second:** Commissioner Hill  
**Opposed:** Commissioner Hawley  
**Vote:** 3-1, motion carried

**9. New Business:**

**A. Consideration to contract with the League of Municipalities for Liability and Risk Management.**

Interim Town Manager Mike McLaurin stated the NC League of Municipalities specializes in dealing with cities. He stated the Town will be getting additional coverage at considerable savings.

**Board Action:** The Town Board voted unanimously to contract with the NC League of Municipalities to conduct the Town's Liability and Risk Management.

**Motion:** Commissioner Smith

**Second:** Commissioner Hawley

**Vote:** 4-0, Unanimous

#### **B. Consideration to withdraw from Mid Carolina Council of Government**

Mr. McLaurin stated the Board just approved to join Triangle J Council of Government that provides several valuable services. In order to withdraw from Mid Carolina COG they must be given a 60 day notice by the new fiscal year. Since Mid Carolina will not receive a 60 day notice by the new fiscal year, the Town will be a member of two COG's until next fiscal year.

**Board Action:** The Town Board voted unanimously to withdraw from Mid Carolina Council of Government.

**Motion:** Commissioner Hill

**Second:** Commissioner Smith

**Vote:** 4-0, Unanimous

#### **C. Tri-Tronics – consideration to purchase two additional microphones and speaker in the Board Room.**

Mr. McLaurin stated the Board has identified the need for additional microphones in the Board Room. The Town received an estimate for two additional gooseneck microphones as well as an additional speaker facing the Dias for Board members to be able to hear more clearly. With that estimate, it was also included that all mics be programmed to the "push to talk" feature.

**Board Action:** The Town Board voted unanimously to purchase two additional microphones and speaker in the Board Room.

**Motion:** Commissioner Smith

**Second:** Commissioner Hawley

**Vote:** 4-0, Unanimous

#### **D. Executive Search Firm Interviews**

Mayor Weatherspoon stated he and Mayor Pro-Tem Craig Honeycutt checked search firm references and received excellent references from The Mercer Group, Developmental Associates, and Colin Baenziger.

It was the consensus of the Board to schedule interviews with the following firms to conduct the search for the Town's new Manager: Colin Baenziger, The Mercer Group, Triangle J, and Developmental Associates.

#### **E. Appointment of a Finance Officer**

Mr. McLaurin stated that since the Finance Director has left, the Town is required to have a Finance Officer. The Interim Town Manager suggested the Board appoint him as the Finance Officer until a Finance Director is hired.

**Board Action:** The Town Board voted unanimously to appoint Interim Town Manager Mike McLaurin as the Finance Officer until a Finance Director is hired.

**Motion:** Commissioner Hill

**Second:** Commissioner Smith

**Vote:** 4-0, Unanimous

#### **10. Manager's Report**

Mr. McLaurin gave an update on the Finance Department. He stated that Amy Coats has been moved to the HR/Finance Assistant position as well as processing payroll. He is working on hiring a retired Finance Director part time until a permanent replacement is hired. Mr. McLaurin stated he would also like to change the Finance Director's position to full time to better serve the Town. The Town will need to advertise for a Utility Billing Clerk to fill in Ms. Coats' previous position and also increase part time staff's hours to cover any gaps.

Mr. McLaurin stated that last November a new Leaf & Limb Policy was modified to read "pick up is limited to an area three feet wide by three feet deep by three feet tall." However, the Ordinance states that "material should not exceed four feet in length nor six inches in diameter." The Ordinance supersedes the policy and must be reconciled as soon as possible. Mr. McLaurin suggested the Board modify the Ordinance to refer to the current Leaf & Limb Policy to help prevent the Ordinance from having to be changed in the future and only the policy will be modified when changes occur.

It was the consensus of the Board to place the Leaf & Limb Policy and Ordinance on the June 26, 2018 Work Session Agenda.

Mr. McLaurin informed the Board that a Small Town Main Street representative will be doing a site visit June 13, 2018 to do a walk through downtown and Board members are invited to attend.

Mr. McLaurin stated the Depot Concert Series is coming up and thanked Veronica Hardaway for the countless hours coordinating the events.

**11. Mayor and Town Board Reports:**

Mayor Weatherspoon called for a Special Called Meeting following the June 26, 2018 Board Work Session Meeting. The purpose of the meeting would be if any action needs to be taken on the Leaf & Limb Ordinance and if any Budget Amendments need to be made for the closeout of FY2017-2018.

Commissioner Smith commended Mike McLaurin and Vanessa Young on the Budget.

Mayor Weatherspoon requested the Board to think about any advocacy goals that the League of Municipalities will take to the legislature.

Mayor Weatherspoon stated he and Mr. McLaurin attended the Town and State Dinner May 29<sup>th</sup> and Mayor Weatherspoon attended Legislative Day with Triangle J.

Mayor Weatherspoon stated in Senate Bill 99 there is a \$25,000 allocation to the Town of Angier given by Larry Strickland to use the way they choose.

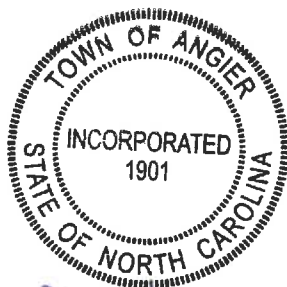
**12. Staff Reports and Informational Items:** Staff reports were enclosed in the agenda packet.

**13. Adjournment:** The Town Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:14pm.

**Motion:** Commissioner Hawley

**Second:** Commissioner Hill

**Vote:** 4-0, Unanimous



  
Lewis W. Weatherspoon, Mayor

Attest:

  
Veronica Hardaway, Town Clerk