

**Town of Angier
Board of Commissioners
Tuesday, December 1, 2020, 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 on Tuesday, December 1, 2020, in the Board Room inside the Municipal Building at 28 North Raleigh Street.

Members Present: Mayor Bob Smith
Mayor Pro-tem Honeycutt
Commissioner Alan Coats
Commissioner Loru Boyer Hawley
Commissioner Mike Hill

Members Excused:

Staff Present: Town Manager Gerry Vincent
Town Clerk Veronica Hardaway
Planning Director Sean Johnson
Chief of Police Arthur Yarbrough
Library Director Katy Warren
Finance Director Hans Kalwitz
Parks & Recreation Director Derek McLean
Public Works Director Jimmy Cook
Administrative Assistant Donna DiMambro
Town Attorney Dan Hartzog, Jr.

Others Present:

Call to Order: Mayor Smith presided, calling the Board of Commissioners meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Smith led the pledge of allegiance.

Invocation: Mayor Smith offered the invocation.

Approval of the December 1, 2020 meeting agenda: The Town Board unanimously approved the agenda as presented.

Board Action: The Town Board voted to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion: Commissioner Hill

Vote: 4-0; unanimous

Presentation

1. **Mayor Smith presented outgoing Commissioner Craig Honeycutt with a Proclamation in honor of his 17 years of service.**

Public Comment

Seeing no one, Mayor Smith closed the public comment portion of the meeting.

Consent Agenda

1. **Approval of Minutes**
 - a. November 2, 2020 – Regular Meeting

Board Action: The Town Board unanimously voted to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion: Commissioner Hawley

Vote: 4-0, unanimous

New Business

1. Election of the Mayor Pro-Tem

Due to outgoing Mayor Pro-tem Honeycutt, the Board nominated a replacement and the Town Clerk administered the Oath of Office.

Board Action: The Town Board unanimously voted to appoint Commissioner Loru Boyer Hawley as Mayor Pro-Tem.

Motion: Commissioner Hill

Vote: 4-0, unanimous

2. Resolution #R019-2020 – to adopt Town of Angier’s Holiday Schedule

Board Action: The Town Board unanimously voted to approve Resolution #R019-2020 to adopt the Town of Angier’s 2021 Holiday Schedule.

Motion: Commissioner Honeycutt

Vote: 4-0, unanimous

3. Resolution #R020-2020 – to adopt the 2021 Board of Commissioner’s Meeting Schedule.

Board Action: The Town Board unanimously voted to approve Resolution #R020-2020 to adopt the 2021 Board of Commissioner’s Meeting Schedule.

Motion: Commissioner Coats

Vote: 4-0, unanimous

4. Discussion Regarding R-6 Rezoning

Planning Director Sean Johnson presented an overview of all major subdivisions approved in Angier in recent years. The overview included the lot counts, zoning district, open space dedicated and units per acre in each subdivision in an effort to display the average density of new developments.

In summary, the average density of developments approved in Angier since 2016 is 2.79 units per acre; there are seven R-6 subdivisions out of twelve total; the average open space reserved is 35%; and the minimum open space required is 20%.

Mr. Johnson explained that a developer will often seek a higher density zoning district, such as the R-6 district, when a significant portion of a property is unusable due to environmental constraints. The R-6 district allows a developer to maximize the usable portion of the land while reserving a large percentage of open space.

Mr. Johnson invited discussion from the Board as to how they feel about the density of approved developments and how Staff should direct developers going forward in choosing an appropriate zoning district. He then explained the advantages of conditional zoning districts, which allow the Board to negotiate with a developer to ensure appropriate density limits and other standards are tied to a zoning approval.

There was a consensus of the Board to direct staff to discourage standard R-6 rezoning requests and to encourage conditional zoning whenever feasible.

5. TJCOG Proposal – 160D Compliance

Planning Director Sean Johnson stated the Planning Department has contacted Triangle J Council of Governments for assistance in amending the Town's Ordinance to ensure compliance with newly effective Chapter 160D of the NC General Statutes. The deadline for Ordinance compliance is July 1, 2021.

Board Action: The Town Board unanimously voted to contract with Triangle J COG to assist in amending the Town's Ordinance to ensure compliance with NCGS Chapter 160D.

Motion: Commissioner Hill

Vote: 4-0, unanimous

Manager's Report

- Department Reports (Informational Items included in Agenda packets)

Mr. Vincent updated the Board on various items. Those items are the following:

1. Angier received School Resource Officer (SRO) funding from the Carolina Charter School. This revenue was not anticipated, but a welcomed surprise. There have been discussions of continued support of the school, and a future full-time SRO that would be 100% paid for by the school (salary, benefits, and equipment costs).
2. Governor Cooper has implemented Executive Order 180, effective November 25th at 5pm. Staff immediately prepared in advance of EO 180, and will follow its guidelines. The EO is in effect until December 11th.
3. Some highlights in the Financial Report:
Sales Tax Revenues are up from last fiscal year at 9%
Utility Revenue is up 10%
Investment of funds is 86%
General and Utility Funds are performing exceptionally well. To date, during the pandemic, with a few exceptions due to the Governor's executive orders, revenues are on track.
4. The workshop scheduled for December 15th will be held differently in the past. A couple of items will require the Boards discussion and direction, such as:
Parking Lot Improvements
Main Street Designation/Downtown Manager Position; and
Interview Potential Candidates for Board Appointments
5. A new streaming camera system has been installed due to the pandemic that has forced local governments to conduct monthly meetings virtually. The new system is an upgrade in terms of audio and visually. In addition, the system will allow for motion and options to broadcast. The system was purchased and installed by Tri-tronics, but may not go live until the first meeting in January.

Mayor & Town Board Reports

Board Action: The Town Board unanimously voted to go into Closed Session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (3) and (a) (6) to consult with the Town Attorney and to discuss a personnel matter at approximately 7:48pm.

Motion: Commissioner Coats

Vote: 4-0, unanimous

Board Action: The Town Board unanimously voted to reconvene in open session at approximately 8:51pm.

Motion: Commissioner Hill

Vote: 4-0, unanimous

Adjournment: Being no further business, the Town Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:51pm.

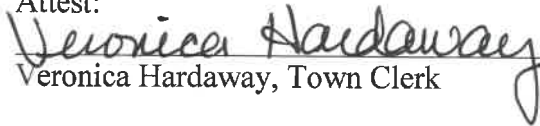
Motion: Commissioner Hawley

Vote: Unanimous, 4-0



Robert K. Smith, Mayor

Attest:


Veronica Hardaway, Town Clerk