# Town of Angier Board of Commissioners Workshop Session Tuesday, May 21, 2019, 6:30 P.M. Angier Municipal Building 28 North Raleigh Street Minutes

The Town of Angier convened during a regularly scheduled Board of Commissioners Workshop Session meeting Tuesday, May 21, 2019, in the Board Room inside the Municipal Building at 28 North Raleigh Street.

**Members Present:** Mayor Lewis W. Weatherspoon

Mayor Pro-Tem/Commissioner Craig Honeycutt

Commissioner Loru Boyer Hawley

Commissioner Bob Smith Commissioner Mike Hill

**Staff Present:** Town Manager Gerry Vincent

Town Clerk Veronica Hardaway Police Chief Arthur Yarbrough Downtown Manager Christy Adkins Town Attorney Dan Hartzog Jr.

### **Others Present:**

**Call to Order:** Mayor Weatherspoon presided, calling the Board of Commissioners meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

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

**Invocation:** Mayor Weatherspoon offered the invocation.

Town Attorney Dan Hartzog Jr. discussed new rules and procedures recommended by UNC School of Government and suggested the Board adopt the procedure that does not require a second on motions.

It was the consensus of the Board to adopt the procedural change of not requiring a second on motions.

Approval of the May 21, 2019, meeting agenda: The Town Board unanimously approved the agenda as presented.

**Board Action:** The Town Board unanimously approved the May 21, 2019 meeting agenda as presented.

**Motion:** Commissioner Smith

Vote: Unanimous, 4-0

# A. Downtown Revitalization Grant Revision (\$25,000)

Town Manager Gerry Vincent reminded the Board the Town was awarded a \$25,000 grant from the NC Department of Commerce for Downtown beautification. Originally the grant application expressed the Town had the desire to use those funds for Downtown WiFi as well as property acquisition. However, the Town has the opportunity to acquire WRAL Weather Cam. According to the Department of Commerce, the Town can modify the grant request to include the WRAL Weather Cam. Mr. Vincent requested the Board to allow him to revise the Downtown Revitalization grant to include the WRAL Weather Cam.

Commissioner Smith asked the Town Manager to look into providing a room to WRAL reporters to report back to the station and provide presence in our community.

It was the consensus of the Board to allow the Town Manager to revise the Downtown Revitalization Grant to include the WRAL Weather Cam and place this item on June's Consent Agenda.

### B. Leaf & Limb Ordinance

Town Manager Gerry Vincent explained to the Board that many homeowners utilize licensed landscape contractors to take care of their yard. This causes a problem for the Public Works Department as they have to decide whether the homeowner is using a landscaper or not. The majority of calls lately are due to piles of limbs, brush, and leaves not being picked up. After Public Works goes through their routes they then have to go back to pick up remaining piles.

It was the consensus of the Board to leave the Ordinance as written but to encourage homeowners to have their landscapers remove their debris. The Public Works Department will pick up all leaf and limb debris as long as it's within the Ordinance guidelines.

# C. Dumpster Screening Ordinance

Mayor Weatherspoon stated that following a six month grace period beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>, every dumpster in Town should be screened matching the façade of the primary structure.

Commissioner Smith agreed with moving forward with the Ordinance, but in addition proposed the following: The Town of Angier, subject to the availability of funds and with a limit of one grant per property, will award grants of up to \$250 for each screened trash enclosure that has to be built pursuant to the changes in the Town of Angier Ordinance 7.3.4. Construction of such enclosure(s) must begin within six months of the enactment of such Ordinance. Such grants may be made by the Town Manager in his discretion, from 2018-19 and 2019-20 budgeted funds. This does not apply to new construction.

It was the consensus of the Board to include Commissioner Smith's proposal to the Dumpster Screening Ordinance and directed staff to revise the Ordinance with the above changes.

Town Attorney Dan Hartzog Jr. suggested using Commissioner Smith's proposal in policy form rather than being part of the Ordinance as this would prevent an additional Public Hearing. It was the consensus of the Board to do so.

## **Closed Session**

**Board Action:** The Town Board unanimously voted to go into Closed Session pursuant to 143-318.11 (a) (3) – attorney-client privilege, 143-318.11 (a) (6) – to discuss a personnel matter at approximately 7:01pm.

**Motion:** Commissioner Smith

Vote: Unanimous, 4-0

**Board Action:** The Town Board unanimously voted to reconvene in Open Session at approximately 7:30pm.

**Motion:** Commissioner Hawley

**Vote:** Unanimous, 4-0

**Board Action:** The Town Board unanimously voted to appoint Town Manager Gerry Vincent as Finance Officer until a Finance Director is hired.

**Motion:** Commissioner Hawley

Vote: Unanimous, 4-0

Veronica Hardaway, Town Clerk

**Adjournment:** The Town Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:31pm.

Lewis W. Weatherspoon, Mayor

**Motion:** Commissioner Hawley

INCORPORATED

Vote: Unanimous, 4-0

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