

TOWN OF SILER CITY

The Siler City Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on **Monday, January 6, 2020** at 7:00pm in City Hall Courtroom with Mayor Pro Tem Cheek presiding. Commissioner Price gave the invocation with the Pledge of Allegiance following. Commissioner Siler recited the Town of Siler City Mission Statement and Commissioner Bray recited the Town of Siler City Vision Statement.

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT: Cindy Bray, Curtis Brown, Larry Cheek, Lewis Fadely, Bill Haiges, Thomas "Chip" Price, and Tony Siler

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS ABSENT: John Grimes

TOWN STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Roy Lynch, Attorney William Morgan, Finance Director Tina Stroupe, Planning Director Jack Meadows, Police Chief Mike Wagner, and Town Clerk Jenifer Johnson.

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by Commissioner Haiges, seconded by Commissioner Siler and unanimously approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion to approve the consent agenda which includes the December 16, 2019 Minutes (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule A), Resolution Updating CDBG Plans (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule B), Swimming Pool Management Agreement (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule C) was made by Commissioner Fadely, seconded by Commissioner Price and unanimously approved.

PRESENTATIONS

Loves Creek Watershed Stewards Update - Boling Lane Riparian Buffer Illustration and Parking Shopping Center Report

Meadows introduced the Loves Creek Watershed Steward. Catherine Deininger and Karen Hall with Biocenosis and Grace Messinger with Piedmont Conservation present an illustration of Boling Lane Park and shared copies of the Park Shopping Center/Loves Creek Tributary 2 Restoration Study. (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule D)

OLD BUSINESS

Water Deposit Fee Schedule

Finance Director Tina Stroupe asked the Board of Commissioners to approve an adjustment to the current Fee Schedule which was adopted on June 17, 2019 for the Water and Sewer Account Deposit Fees. The current fees range from \$0 with approved credit or with a caution or alert credit report from \$100 to \$250. (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule E)

Staff is recommending the following adjustment to the Water and Sewer Account Deposit Fee:

Residential – Inside Town limits \$40.00

Residential – Outside Town limits \$75.00

Commercial Business \$75.00

Stroupe stated that residents who own or are purchasing a residential property will be required provide a letter of intent to purchase or a closing disclosure and a deposit to start services. Residents who are renting or leasing a home or will be required to submit a rental/lease agreement or a tenant agreement form and a deposit to start services. This documentation must be provided with the application prior to service being activated. Commercial/ business accounts will be required to submit a deposit prior to service being activated.

Stroupe stated that deposits will be applied to the customer's bill after 12 consecutive on time payments with no NSF's. To offset administrative costs in handling these monies, no interest will be paid on these deposits.

Stroupe shared a list of other local governments and stated that the recommended changes are comparable to deposits charged by other local governments providing utility services.

A motion to amend the 2019/2020 Fee Schedule to the following: Residential – Inside Town limits \$40.00, Residential – Outside Town limits \$75.00, Commercial Business \$75.00. Residents who own or are purchasing a residential property will be required provide a letter of intent to purchase or a closing disclosure and a deposit to start services. Residents who are renting or leasing a home or will be required to submit a rental/lease agreement or a tenant agreement form and a deposit to start services. This documentation must be provided with the application prior to service being activated. Commercial/ business accounts will be required to submit a deposit prior to service being activated. Deposits will be applied to the customer's bill after 12 consecutive on time payments with no NSF's. To offset administrative costs in handling these monies, no interest will be paid on these deposits was made by Commissioner Haiges, seconded by Commissioner Fadely and unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Water Treatment Plant Equipment Preferred Brand

David Honeycutt with McGill Associates, the engineer for the Water Treatment Plant media filtration project present a preferred brand recommendation for the project. (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule F)

Honeycutt stated that the Town of Siler City is undertaking a major upgrade project to the Water Treatment Plant. The project will consist of replacement of the filtration media, installation of an air backwash system, chemical feed system modifications and installation of a mechanical pretreatment system ahead of the existing facilities. The purpose of the Resolution is to afford the Town the opportunity to include a preference for mechanical pretreatment system by Veolia Water Technologies / Kruger Inc., who has sufficient experience, numbers of installations, and capability of meeting the performance standards. N.C. General Statute 133-3 and 143-129 (e) (6) address this type of procurement process.

Honeycutt shared a resolution to Receive Special Equipment Bids for Veolia Water Technologies / Kruger Inc. (mechanical pretreatment).

A motion to approve the resolution to sole source or preferred alternative bids from Veolia Water Technologies / Kruger Inc. (mechanical pretreatment) was made by Commissioner, seconded by Commissioner Brown and Price unanimously approved.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Lynch updated the Board of Commissioners on the following:
Jack Clelland has been named the Interim Parks and Recreation Director
Four new Firefighter/Driver started today
Budget Retreat is Saturday, January 11, 2020
Board pictures will be taken at the next meeting

TOWN ATTORNEY INFORMATION

none

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

The following reports were shared with the Board of Commissioners: Finance, Fire, Human Resources, Parks and Recreation, Planning and Community Development, Police, and Public Works.

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

none

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business the Board of Commissioners adjourned at 7:45pm.



John F Grimes, Mayor

ATTEST:



Jenifer K Johnson, Town Clerk

