

TOWN OF SILER CITY

The Siler City Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on **Monday, February 17, 2020** at 7:00pm in City Hall Courtroom with Mayor Grimes presiding. Mayor Pro Tem Cheek gave the invocation with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance following. Commissioner Fadely recited the Town of Siler City Mission Statement and Mayor Grimes recited the Town of Siler City Vision Statement.

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT: Cindy Bray, Larry Cheek, Lewis Fadely, John Grimes, Bill Haiges, Thomas “Chip” Price, and Tony Siler

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS ABSENT: Curtis Brown

TOWN STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Roy Lynch, Police Chief Mike Wagner, Public Works Director Chris McCorquodale, Interim Parks and Recreation Director Jack Clelland, Planning Director Jack Meadows, Tony Lackey, and Town Clerk Jenifer Johnson

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Lynch requested the addition of Agreement for Purchase of Water between Chatham County and Siler City under Consent.

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

CONSENT

A motion to approve the consent agenda which includes the February 3, 2020 Minutes (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule A), Building and Fire Inspection Services Agreement – First Amendment (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule B), Agreement For Purchase of Water Between Chatham County and Siler City (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule F) was made by Commissioner Fadely, seconded by Commissioner Price and unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

none

PRESENTATIONS

none

OLD BUSINESS

Bray Park Masterplan – Withers Ravenel

Clelland stated at the Board of Commissioners meeting held on Monday February 3rd, 2020, the Recreation Department along with WithersRavenel staff were asked to provide the community input notes for the Bray Park Master Plan to the BOC. (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule C)

WitherRavenel along with Parks and Recreation Staff presented a detailed summary of public involvement and comments from each of the three community input meetings regarding the Bray Park Masterplan.

WithersRavenel staff reviewed the potential phases of the Masterplan. Phase 1 has a potential cost of 2 to 3 million.

The Board of Commissioners asked questions of Withers Ravenel and asked about next steps. Withers Ravenel stated they would like to apply for the PARTF grant in April, then get final cost for Phase 1. Clelland stated that they would like to return on March 16th with the final plan including cost estimates.

Commissioners Haiges arrived at 7:25pm.

NEW BUSINESS

International Economic Development Council – Volunteer Program for Economic Recovery

Meadows stated that Dana Crater, a senior associate, with the International Economic Development Council (IEDC) contacted the Town in January to discuss their volunteer program for economic recovery. (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule D)

Meadows stated that the program was developed by IEDC and funded by U.S. Economic Development Administration to send volunteers to assist communities with economic resiliency and recovery. Meadows shared a one-page summary.

Meadows stated that he discussed the opportunity with the Chatham EDC. We agreed on the following project and submitted the idea to IEDC:

Review the Town's existing incentive policy to align with Town's current economic development strategy and the industry's best practices. A revised policy could create additional incentives for:

1. targeted development areas (designated mixed use and industrial areas)
2. small businesses and entrepreneurs
3. average weekly wage
4. reuse of existing building

Meadows stated IEDC submitted a memorandum of understanding. Attorney William Morgan reviewed and approved the MOU.

The Board of Commissioners asked Meadows questions about the opportunity.

A motion to approve the International Economic Development Council Memorandum of Understanding for the Volunteer Program for Economic Recovery was made by Commissioner Fadely, seconded by Commissioner Haiges and unanimously approved.

Abandoned, Nuisance and Junked Motor Vehicles

Meadows stated that the Planning and Community Development Department has reviewed the Town's ordinance related to abandoned, nuisance and junked motor vehicles and is proposing a few amendments. (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule E)

The Planning and Community Development Department has also prepared a draft Motor Vehicle Towing agreement in hopes of contracting with a Towing Company(s) to assist in the abatement of abandoned, nuisance, and junked motor vehicles located on private property (see attached). The Towing Agreement has been reviewed and approved by Attorney William Morgan.

The Board of Commissioners asked questions about the changes.

A motion to approve the Ordinance Amending Sections 15-201, 15-202, 15-204, 15-205, 15-208, and 15-212 of the Town of Siler City Code of Ordinances (Town Code) was made by Commissioner Fadely, seconded by Commissioner Haiges and unanimously approved.

A motion to approve the Motor Vehicle Towing Agreement as presented was made by Commissioner Fadely, seconded by Commissioner Haiges and unanimously approved.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Lynch updated the Board of Commissioners on the following:
Fire Department Oyster Roast is on Monday
Budget Workshop time and food

TOWN ATTORNEY INFORMATION

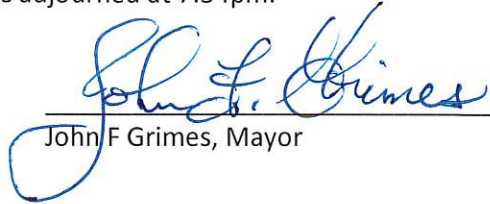
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GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

Mayor Pro Tem Cheek congratulates Meadows on the six NCDOT projects for Siler City.
Commissioner Price stated that early voting has started and there are two items on the ballot and please go vote.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business the Board of Commissioners adjourned at 7:54pm.



John F Grimes, Mayor

ATTEST:



Jenifer K Johnson, Town Clerk

