

TOWN OF SILER CITY

The Siler City Town Board of Commissioners met in budget workshop session on **Thursday, March 30, 2017** at 6:30 p.m. in the Courtroom with Mayor John Grimes presiding. Mayor Grimes gave the invocation with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance following.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: Larry Cheek, Michael Constantino, John Grimes, Lewis Fadely, Thomas K. Price, III, and Tony Siler

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: Cindy Bray and Bill Haiges

TOWN STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Bryan Thompson, Parks and Recreation Director Joseph Keel, Planning Director Jack Meadows, and Town Clerk Jenifer Everage.

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS/ APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

OLD BUSINESS

Non-Profit Funding Request

The following Non-Profit representatives gave a presentation requesting funds as part of the 2017/2018 Budget:

Name	Non-Profit	Amount of Request
Kim Caraganis	Chatham Communities in Schools	\$5000
Jim Adams and Scott Brooks	Chatham County Rescue Squad	\$25000
Anna Schmalz Rodriguez	Chatham Habitat for Humanity	\$10000
Ilana Dubester	Hispanic Liaison	\$8000
Zoann Adams	NC Arts Incubator	\$5000
Rob Schooley	Project Graduation	\$1500

The Board of Commissioners discussed the request.

Recreation Fund Raising Update

Thompson stated that he had contact the former EDC Director Dianne Reid concerning her experience with both of the fund raising companies. Thompson shared the following Convergent reference notes:

- Will be more sensitive to community nuance
- Has a large variety of clients
- Very experienced
- Clear understanding of community dynamic
- More flexible with customization of needs
- Adamant about conducting a feasibility study

- Works fast
- EDC did its own "asking", did not contract
 - Make sure you get a good fundraising committee
 - Make sure that the committee and others stick to their tasks
- Kept EDC on task after study
- Have given good references in the past to other perspective clients
- "Class Organization"
- Did a nice job
- Identified different ways of going about fundraising
- Did a great job training the fundraising committee
- Feels that more could have been raised
- "Thumbs Up"
- Made money on the Convergent fundraising effort. Lost money on some in the past
- "If they do a good job with Siler City, we will probably use them next time"

The consensus of the Board of Commissioners was to have the feasibility study completed with Convergent. Thompson stated he would have a contract for the services available at the next meeting.

Recreation Advisory Board Update

Thompson shared a resolution with the Board of Commissioners to reconstitute the Siler City Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee. The Board of Commissioners discussed the committee and the appointments.

A motion to approve the Resolution to Reconstitute, Define Scope of Review and Operation of, and Appoint Members to the Siler City Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee as presented was made by Commissioner Fadely, seconded by Commissioner Constantino and unanimously approved.

Chatham County LUP Discussion

The Board of Commissioners discussed the Draft Chatham County Land Use Plan. The Board of Commissioners asked Staff to draft a letter and bring it back to the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Airport Airfield Lighting

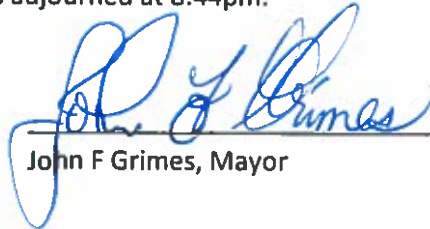
Thompson shared a Capital Project Ordinance 2017.6 for the Airport Airfield Lighting project. The Board of Commissioners discussed the project.

A motion to approve the Project Budget Ordinance 2017.6 for the Airport Airfield Lighting project was made by Commissioner Constantino, seconded by Commissioner Price and unanimously approved.

A motion to approve the contract with WK Dickson for the Airport Airfield Lighting project was made by Commissioner Price, seconded by Commissioner Constantino and unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the Board of Commissioners adjourned at 8:44pm.



John F Grimes, Mayor

ATTEST:



Jenifer J Everage, Town Clerk

