

**TOWN OF SILER CITY**

The Siler City Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, March 4, 2019 at 7:00pm in City Hall Courtroom with Mayor Grimes presiding. Mayor Grimes gave the invocation with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance following. Commissioner Haiges recited the Town of Siler City Mission Statement and Commissioner Price recited the Town of Siler City Vision Statement.

**ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Cindy Bray, Larry Cheek, Mike Constantino, Lewis Fadely, John Grimes, Bill Haiges, Thomas "Chip" Price, and Tony Siler

**TOWN STAFF PRESENT:** Town Manager Bryan Thompson, Attorney William Morgan, Finance Director Roy Lynch, Interim Police Chief Jeanne Miller, Planning Director Jack Meadows, Parks and Recreation Director Joseph Keel, Human Resources Director Nancy Darden, and Town Clerk Jenifer Johnson.

**AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Thompson requested the addition of § 143-318.11(a) (6) Closed Session: To consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee; or to hear or investigate a complaint, charge, or grievance by or against an individual public officer or employee.

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

**CONSENT**

*A motion to approve the consent agenda which includes the February 14, 2019 Budget Workshop Minutes (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule A), February 18, 2019 Minutes (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule B), Minority Business Outreach Plan (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule C), Airport Sub-Lease Agreement (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule D), Bray Park Concession Agreement (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule E, Resolution Supporting NC Carolina Core (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule F), and Resolution Supporting Future Interstate Upgrade for Highway 421 (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule G) was made by Commissioner Haiges, seconded by Commissioner Fadely and unanimously approved.*

**PRESENTATIONS**

**Siler City Featured in Recre8 Magazine**

Keel stated that The North Carolina Recreation and Parks Association (NCRPA) compiles a quarterly magazine that is distributed with every local & state government agency, professional Parks & Recreation Departments and Parks & Recreation partners throughout North Carolina. This magazine profiles an agency or organization providing exceptional recreation services in North Carolina, while also covering Hot Topics, Construction Projects, Fundraising, The Arts, Association News and The Mailbox. Siler City Parks and Recreation Department was contacted in early summer of 2018 with the notice of award to be the featured article in the 2018 Winter edition. NCRPA stated that the department's achievements over the past year have been noteworthy of this award. NCRPA was interested in how the department was able to change the overall outlook of the Siler City Parks and Recreation

Department, improve facilities and have such a dramatic increase in program participation. Parks and Recreation staff was tasked with writing an article to outline these exceptional positive behaviors to share with others across North Carolina. As noted in the featured article, there were key tasks that Parks and Recreation staff set forth to accomplish to get to the point where we are today. This took full buy-in from every Parks and Recreation staff member. Keel commended the parks and recreation staff for their initiative and ambition to make Siler City Parks and Recreation the center of attention in the 2018 NCRPA Recre8 Magazine Winter edition. (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule H) The Board of Commissioners thanked Keel for all his work for the Town.

#### OLD BUSINESS

##### Aquatic Facility Significant Contributors Plaque

Keel stated that the Parks and Recreation staff has worked with Chatham Monument to produce a plaque that will be placed at the Bray Park Aquatic Facility to recognize the significant contributors to the capital campaign. The significant contributors were identified by the Board of Commissioners as contributors that pledged over \$20,000 to the Bray Park Aquatic Facility capital campaign. Staff has spoken with all the significant contributors to assure they are being presented on the plaque correctly. Keel shared a proof on the plaque and stated that this plaque will be placed inside the bathhouse. (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule I)

***A motion to approve the Aquatic Facility Significant Contributors plaque and place it inside the bathhouse was made by Commissioner Fadely, seconded by Commissioner Siler and unanimously approved.***

##### Aquatic Facility Leadership Plaque

Keel stated that the Parks and Recreation staff has worked with Chatham Monument to produce a plaque that will be placed at the Bray Park Aquatic Facility to recognize the project leadership team for the 2018 Bray Park Aquatic Facility Renovation. Keel shared a copy of the proposed plaque to be placed on the outside of the bathhouse and stated that this plaque will be placed beside the project leadership plaque that was created from the initial construction of the pool in 1953. (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule J)

***A motion to approve the Aquatic Facility Leadership plaque and place it on the outside of the bathhouse next to the 1953 plaque with the addition of Mayor Pro Tem next to Cheek's name was made by Commissioner Haiges, seconded by Commissioner Siler and unanimously approved.***

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### Request for Street Closing of Unopened Street – Spring Street

Meadows stated that Mr. Simpson and his wife retained Moody, Williams, Roper & Lee LLP to petition the Town of Siler City to close an unopened portion of Spring St. pursuant to NC Gen. Stat. §160A-299. The subject portion is adjacent to their property at 806 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> St. (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule K)

Meadows stated that §160A-299 requires:

1. Adopting of a resolution declaring the Town's intent to close the subject street;
2. Publishing the resolution once a week for 4 consecutive weeks prior to the public hearing;

3. Mailing by registered or certified mail the resolution to all owners of property adjoining the street as shown on the county tax records;
4. Posting a notice of closing and public hearing shall be prominently posted in at least 2 places along the street;
5. Holding a public hearing;
6. Adopting an order permanently closing the subject street; and
7. Recording the order in the Office of the Register of Deeds.

Meadows shared the following documents:

1. Letter from Moody, Williams, Roper, & Lee (January 16, 2019).
2. Resolution of Intent to close an unopened portion of Spring St.
3. Aerial Photo
4. Plat Book 3, Page 17
5. Simpson deed

Meadows noted that §160A-299 is not the same statute that is used when a property owner is seeking to withdraw from dedication a portion of a street. Those requests are made pursuant to NCGS §136-96 and §136-66.2 by requesting the Town Board adopt a resolution that the street is not part of the Town's thoroughfare plan. Also, §160A-299 requires that the closed portion of the street be split between adjacent property owners at the centerline (unlike §136-96 which is first come take all). It appears that a portion of the subject right-of-way is being used for parking and drive aisle by 806 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> St. (owned by petitioner).

Meadows introduced Attorney Josh Lee who detailed the requested to the Board of Commissioners.

***A motion to approve the Resolution of Intent to Close an Unopened Portion of Spring Street was made by Commissioner Fadely, seconded by Commissioner Price and unanimously approved.***

#### MANAGER'S REPORT

Thompson updated the Board of Commissioners on the following:  
Budget Workshop next week on Thursday, March 14.

#### TOWN ATTORNEY INFORMATION

none

#### DEPARTMENT REPORTS

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

#### GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

none

#### CLOSED SESSION

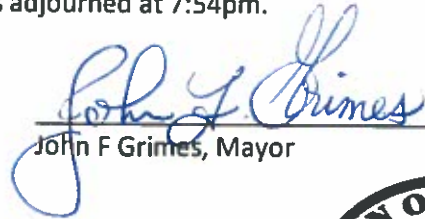
***A motion to go into Closed Session 143-318.11(a) (6) To consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee; or to hear or investigate a complaint, charge, or grievance by or against an individual public officer or employee at***

*7:24pm was made by Commissioner Haiges, seconded by Commissioner Siler and unanimously approved.*

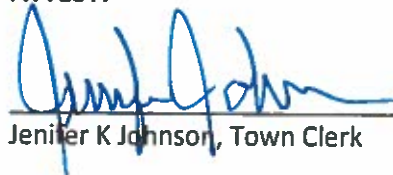
*A motion to come out of closed session at 7:48pm was made by Commissioner Fadely, seconded by Commissioner Haiges and unanimously approved.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

  
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John F Grimes, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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Jenifer K Johnson, Town Clerk

