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The Siler City Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on **Monday, March 4, 2024** at 6:30pm in the City Hall Courtroom with Mayor Matthews presiding. Mayor Matthews gave the invocation with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance following. Commissioner Brown recited the Mission Statement and Commissioner Bray recited the Vision Statement.

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT: Albert Alston, Norma Boone, Cindy Bray, Curtis Brown, Lewis Fadely, Travis Patterson, Donald Matthews, and Alec Hauser.

TOWN STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Hank Raper, Public Utilities Director Chris McCorquodale, Human Resources Director Nancy Darden, Parks & Recreation Director Tylr Stinson, Town Clerk Kimberly Pickard, and Planning Director Jennifer Baptiste.
AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS / APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Town Manager, Hank Raper requested to add 4.2 Chatham Middle School Boys Basketball Team presentation and Proclamation of 4.2 to the Agenda and Move Item 4.2 to 4.1 and move 4.1 Swearing in of Police Chief Brian Regan by District Court Judge Todd Roper to the second.

A motion to approve item 4.2 Chatham Middle School Boys Basketball Team Presentation and Proclamation to the Agenda and move 4.1 Swearing in of Police Chief Brian Regan by District Court Judge Todd Roper to the second presentation was made by Mayor Pro Tem Fadely. Seconded by Commissioner Bray and unanimously approved.

A motion to approve the Approve the Agenda as amended was made by Mayor Pro Tem Fadely seconded by Commissioner Brown and unanimously approved.

A motion to approve the consent agenda which includes the February 19, 2024 Minutes (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein as Schedule A), February 26, 2024 Minutes (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein as Schedule B), February 29, 2024 Minutes (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein as Schedule C), Spring Chicken Festival Street Closure Request) Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein as Schedule D) was made by Mayor Pro Tem Fadely, seconded by Commissioner Patterson and unanimously approved.

PRESENTATION

Mayor Donald Matthews introduced the Chatham Middle School Boys Basketball Team. Commissioner Norma Boone read the proclamation honoring the team on a winning season.

District Court Judge Todd Roper ceremonially swore in Police Chief Brian Regan.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Emilio Vasquez, Resident Siler City NC. Mr. Vasquez voiced his concerns over property that he owns property in Siler City that has been vacant and now his Tenant's can not connect to water and sewer.

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Cindy Dameron, Non-Resident Siler City NC. Mrs. Dameron voiced her concerns over how she feels discrepancies in which the SOC was put into place by the DEQ differs from Town Staff's allocations on existing properties. She also voiced her concerns over past meeting Agenda's not being kept on the Town Website, only the minutes of the meeting are available. She also voiced her concern over the Board of Commissioners special meeting meals not being purchased from local business owners.

NEW BUSINESS

NONE

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

Commissioner Bray and Mayor Donald Matthews wanted to know when Town Staff was going to implement the water reduction rates the Board of Commissioners put into motion and approved at the February 29, 2024 meeting.

TOWN MANAGER INFORMATION

NONE

TOWN ATTORNEY INFORMATION

NONE

CLOSED SESSION

A motion to go into closed session at 6:58pm § 143-318.11 (a)(3) To consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the public body, which privilege is hereby acknowledged. General policy matters may not be discussed in a closed session and nothing herein shall be construed to permit a public body to close a meeting that otherwise would be open merely because an attorney employed or retained by the public body is a participant. The public body may consider and give instructions to an attorney concerning the handling or settlement of a claim, judicial action, mediation, arbitration, or administrative procedure. If the public body has approved or considered a settlement, other than a malpractice settlement by or on behalf of a hospital, in closed session, the terms of that settlement shall be reported to the public body and entered into its minutes as soon as possible within a reasonable time after the settlement is concluded was made by Mayor Pro Tem Fadely, seconded by Commissioner Brown and unanimously approved.

A motion to come out of Closed Session at 7:31pm was made by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Patterson and unanimously approved.

A motion to direct Town Attorney William Morgan to begin drafting a Development Agreement according to N.C.G.S. 160 D with D.R. Horton concerning the Fox Haven Development was made by Mayor Pro Tem Fadely seconded by Commissioner Brown and unanimously approved.

A motion to go into closed session at 7:34pm § 143-318.11 (a)(3) To consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege

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A motion to come out of closed session at 8:29pm was made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Fadely and unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business the Board of Commissioners adjourned at 8:30pm.



Donald Matthews, Mayor

ATTEST:


Kimberly D. Pickard, Town Clerk