

TOWN OF COATS

Board of Commissioners

August 16, 2012

7:00 p.m.

OFFICIAL MINUTES

I. ABSTRACT:

A rescheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on August 16, 2012 in the Board of Commissioners' Meeting Room at Coats Town Hall.

II. ROLL CALL:

Mayor Walter Weeks, Commissioner Jerry Beasley, Commissioner Don Pleasant, Commissioner J C Allen and Commissioner Allen Mosby were in attendance.

Mayor Pro-Tem Dr. Linda Robinson was absent.

Attorney Alton Bain was present.

III. CALL TO ORDER:

A quorum being present, Mayor Weeks called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioner Don Pleasant delivered the invocation and Mayor Weeks lead those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Approval of Agenda:

Mayor Weeks asked to add after Public Forum - Closed Session pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318 11, (a) (3), Town of Coats vs Pope and Town of Coats vs Fields.

RESOLVED, to approve Agenda as amended.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY: SECOND BY COMMISSIONER DON PLEASANT.

**APPROVED, AYES (4) COMMISSIONERS MOSBY, PLEASANT, ALLEN AND BEASLEY
NOES (0)**

IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

RESOLVED, to approve Consent Agenda.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY: SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JERRY BEASLEY.

**APPROVED, AYES (4) COMMISSIONERS MOSBY, PLEASANT, ALLEN AND BEASLEY.
NOES (0)**

V. MANAGER & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Department Updates:

Police Department - Chief Hall presented the Board with police stats from July 12-August 16, 2012 (**reference #1**).

Public Works – Gary Denton informed the Board that flushing the lines were the main efforts of the department.

Recreation – Mike Collins updated the Board on the baseball tournaments going well and fall soccer sign up through the end of August.

Town Manager – Kenny Cole shared the Chamber function at Smith Farms tonight and that the Town of Coats Town Hall received Business of the Month. Mr. Cole stated that the tanks have been moved off the old school property which would be one of the first activities of demolition, however he had not spoken to Mr. McLamb. Mr. Cole agreed with Mayor Weeks that it is good to see some type of movement on the site.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Report on New Town Hall.

Mr. Cole reiterated the closing on the new Town Hall three weeks earlier and asked Tyrus Clayton with CT Clayton Engineering to update the Board on the progress on the ADA requirements and the renovations which have to be presented to USDA for approval. Mr. Clayton presented the Board with copies of the Coats Town Hall renovation plans. Mr. Clayton informed the Board that he and the Chief Building Inspector from the County completed a walk through the building and identified some areas that aren't needed to be repaired to meet code, so pursuant to that conversation those areas are not included in the plans being presented to USDA. Mr. Clayton informed the Board of renovations that are in the plans pertaining to Board Room, Board conference room, storage area, ramps, railings, signs and window trim. Outside the building will be two (2) handicap parking spaces and ramp changes. Next step is to get the plans to USDA which usually has a two (2) week review with the bid dates for the renovations within the next six (6) weeks. Mr. Clayton confirmed the chair lift will be inside the building. Mr. Clayton also confirmed that the plans expenditures are within the budget.

B. Consider Resolution for Sale of Town Property.

Town Manager Kenny Cole reminded the Board that this item was tabled during the July 12, 2012 board meeting, however due to the information and time frame presented by Tyrus Clayton that he would ask the Board to table the resolution and bidding requirements for the present Town Hall until he has a better estimated date on moving into the new Town Hall.

RESOLVED, to table resolution for the sale of the present Town Hall property.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY: SECOND BY COMMISSIONER DON PLEASANT.

APPROVED, AYES (4) COMMISSIONERS MOSBY, PLEASANT, ALLEN AND BEASLEY.

NOES (0)

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Consider Proclamation honoring Rebeth Mitchell.

Mayor Weeks read a Proclamation honoring Rebeth Mitchell who celebrates her 100th birthday on August 20, 2012 (**reference #2**).

RESOLVED, to accept Proclamation honoring Rebeth Mitchell.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JERRY BEASLEY: SECOND BY COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY.

APPROVED, AYES (4) COMMISSIONERS MOSBY, PLEASANT, ALLEN AND BEASLEY.

NOES (0)

Mayor Weeks presented Ms. Mitchell with the Proclamation.

B. Consider Proclamation honoring 10U Baseball Team.

Mayor Weeks asked for a motion to accept proclamation.

RESOLVED, to accept Proclamation honoring 10U Baseball Team.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY: SECOND BY COMMISSIONER J C ALLEN.

APPROVED, AYES (4) COMMISSIONERS MOSBY, PLEASANT, ALLEN AND BEASLEY.

NOES (0)

Mayor Weeks asked the baseball team to stand as he read the proclamation honoring the 10U All Stars Team. Mayor Weeks presented a copy of the proclamation to the team members and coaches (**reference # 3**).

C. Consider Amendment to the Zoning Ordinances to include Timbering.

Town Manager Kenny Cole asked the Board to consider an Amendment of the Zoning Ordinances allowing for Timbering of property in the Town. Planning Board Chairman John Spears presented the Board with the Planning Boards' recommendation to amend the zoning ordinance to include Timbering within the Town. Mr. Cole confirmed that a permit would be given for residents for timbering however the N.C. Forestry would replace our permit process. The ordinance will give the Town a way to monitor and insure that buffers be replaced to insure that neighbors are treated with respect.

The Board discussed that this ordinance will be important for future development of the Town Limits.

Town Manager Kenny Cole shared two (2) corrections from Town Attorney being on page two (2) item 4- change "be preferred" to "the preferred" and under 56.16.2 item 1 change "tract of land that the permit" to "tract of land which the permit"(**reference #4**).

RESOLVED, to accept Amendment to the Coats Zoning Ordinances to include Timbering with changes requested by Town Attorney.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JERRY BEASLEY: SECOND BY COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY.

**APPROVED, AYES (4) COMMISSIONERS MOSBY, PLEASANT, ALLEN AND BEASLEY.
NOES (0)**

D. Consider Advertising and Appointing Alternate Member to the Planning Board.

Town Manager Kenny Cole asked the Board to consider advertising for and the appointment of two alternate members to the Planning Board due to several members out for an extended period of time.

Discussion among the Board concerning the need to add to the Town Ordinances concerning alternates/temporary appointees. Town Attorney Alton Bain requested that the Board add one sentence stating the approval of the Board to make the addition to the Ordinance.

RESOLVED, to approve the advertisement for two (2) alternates for the Planning Board and to add change to the Town Ordinance referring to the alternates.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER JERRY BEASLEY: SECOND BY COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY.

Town Manager Kenny Cole confirmed to the Board that Planning Board members only receive payment for meetings they attend which would allow payment to the alternate that is present.

APPROVED, AYES (4) COMMISSIONERS MOSBY, PLEASANT, ALLEN AND BEASLEY.
NOES (0)

VIII. Public Forum:

Mayor Weeks opened the public forum.

Jessica Hunter, 3517 Old Stage Rd., Angier, N.C. stated that she was here to give comment on the naming of the Library but she would hold her comments due to it not being on the agenda.

Robert Trogdon, 594 W. Orange St., Coats, N.C. requested the town to change the speed limit on N. Orange Street from 45 to 35. He stated concerns due to the traffic, speed and safety for the children.

The Board requested Town Manager and Chief of Police to look into the speed limit and to forward letter to the Department of Transportation concerning this request of speed limit change.

RESOLVED, to request speed limit change from the Department of Transportation on W. Orange Street, Coats, N.C.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER DON PLEASANT: SECOND BY COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY.

APPROVED, AYES (4) COMMISSIONERS MOSBY, PLEASANT, ALLEN AND BEASLEY.
NOES (0)

IX. CLOSED SESSION:

RESOLVED, to conduct a closed session pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318 11, (a) (3) – Consult with Attorney, Town of Coats vs Pope and Town of Coats vs Fields.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY: SECOND BY COMMISSIONER JERRY BEASLEY.

APPROVED, AYES (4) COMMISSIONERS MOSBY, PLEASANT, ALLEN AND BEASLEY.
NOES (0)

Returned to open meeting at 8:08 pm.

X. ADJOURN:


RESOLVED, to adjourn meeting.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY: SECOND BY
COMMISSIONER DON PLEASANT.**

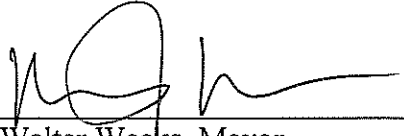
**APPROVED, AYES (4) COMMISSIONERS PLEASANT, MOSBY, PLEASANT
AND BEASLEY.
NOES (0)**

Mayor Weeks called meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Karen Wooten, Town Clerk



Walter Weeks, Mayor