

TOWN OF COATS
Board of Commissioners
July 12, 2018
OFFICIAL MINUTES

I. ABSTRACT:

A scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on July 12, 2018 in the Board of Commissioners' Meeting Room at Coats Town Hall.

II. ROLL CALL:

Mayor Chris Coats, Commissioner JC Allen, Commissioner Allen Mosby and Commissioner Bob Hedrick were present.

Commissioner John Raynor and Mayor Pro-Tem Jerry Beasley were absent.

Attorney Edgar R. Bain was present.

III. CALL TO ORDER:

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

Mayor Coats delivered the invocation and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Coats asked to add to Agenda Item C under New Business; Amy Johnson Coats Beautification Committee.

RESOLVED, to approve Agenda as amended.

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER BOB HEDRICK: SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY
APPROVED, AYES (3), COMMISSIONERS ALLEN, HEDRICK AND MOSBY
NOES (0)**

IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

RESOLVED, to approve Consent Agenda.

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY: SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER JC ALLEN
APPROVED, AYES (3), COMMISSIONERS ALLEN, HEDRICK AND MOSBY
NOES (0)**

V. PUBLIC HEARING:

A. Proposed Rezoning – 124 S. McKinley Street

Mayor Coats opened Public Hearing, hearing none Public Hearing closed.

B. Proposed Zoning Text Amendment – R6 Zone

Mayor Coats opened Public Hearing.

Tim Byrd, 266 E. Washington Street questioned if he joined two lots together if he would be compliant with size. **(Reference #1)**

Mayor Coats closed Public Hearing.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Proposed Rezoning – 124 S. McKinley Street

Nick Holcomb Town Manager recommended approval of the rezoning of 124 S. McKinley Street from C3 (Highway Commercial) to MUV (Mixed –Use Village). Mr. Holcomb stated that the rezoning is consistent with the Future Land Use Map and that the Mixed-Use area included retail, office and single-family residential. **(Reference #2)**

RESOLVED, to approve rezoning 124 S. McKinley to Mix-Use Village.

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY: SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER BOB HEDRICK
APPROVED, AYES (3), COMMISSIONERS ALLEN, HEDRICK AND MOSBY
NOES (0)**

B. Proposed Zoning Text Amendment – R6 Zone

Nick Holcomb Town Manager recommended approval of the Zoning Text Amendment for a R6 Zoning District. Mr. Holcomb stated that the creation of the R6 Zone would add value and buildability to the small lots in Town.

RESOLVED, to approve creating a R6 Zone.

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY: SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER BOB HEDRICK
APPROVED, AYES (3), COMMISSIONERS ALLEN, HEDRICK AND MOSBY
NOES (0)**

C. Computer Support Services Agreement – Harnett County

Nick Holcomb Town Manager presented the contract with Harnett County IT for the fiscal year of 2018/2019. Mr. Holcomb stated that this is the same contract as in previous years but also included the shift of responsibility for the server and IP phone service. (Reference #3)

RESOLVED, to approve contract with Harnett County for computer services.

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY: SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER BOB HEDRICK
APPROVED, AYES (3), COMMISSIONERS ALLEN, HEDRICK AND MOSBY
NOES (0)**

D. Office Lease Agreement – Coats Chamber

Nick Holcomb Town Manager presented the lease agreement with Coats Chamber and asked for the Board's approval. Mr. Holcomb informed the Board that this agreement was for 2 years with a renewal for a second 2-year lease; opt out for either party with a ninety day (90) notice, alterations required at the expense of the Tennant, conference room under the control of the Town and \$100 monthly rent. Mr. Holcomb added that any major alternations to the building would come before the Board and general changes he will make the decision. (Reference # 4)

Commissioner Bob Hedrick questioned the date of contract, which will be upon agreement of both Lessor and Tennant.

RESOLVED, to approve lease agreement including the alterations needed.

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER BOB HEDRICK: SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY
APPROVED, AYES (3), COMMISSIONERS ALLEN, HEDRICK AND MOSBY
NOES (0)**

Pat Godwin Coats Chamber Director asked concerning the approval to have painting done in the offices.

Nick Holcomb Town Manager stated that he could approve changes of that nature.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Coats-Erwin Youth Leagues

Mike Collins Recreation Director presented the Board with a request to combine Coats and Erwin's youth leagues for a one-year trial period. Mr. Collins informed the Board with reasons that joining would be an advantage for the youth in our area. Mr. Collins shared that Coats has had a few leagues that have not had enough participants to create a full team and in return have had to refund parents, however this merger would allow us to draw more numbers. Due to our children already, attending school together will allow them to begin practicing and playing together before Middle School. Mr. Collins stated that the school officials like the idea and have offered the use of their facilities. Mr. Collins added that more children available in the Coats-Erwin League would allow for more competition, more teams to play against and better opportunities for All-Star team. Mr. Collins confirmed that all

Coats residents will continue to sign up in Coats and the pricing should stay the same. Mr. Collins stated that joining the two Towns together would allow for adult sports and give strength to the teams.
(Reference # 5)

Drew Bryant with Harnett County Recreation (not representing Harnett County) shared with the Board that the numbers for Recreation would make a difference in the recreation program for Coats and Erwin. Mr. Bryant suggested a memorandum with Erwin and keep strict records for signing up. Mr. Bryant added that the one-year trial was a good idea.

Mayor Coats updated the Board and the Town concerning a stipend from Harnett County per participant of twenty-seven dollars (\$27).

RESOLVED, to approve one-year trial period for Coats-Erwin recreation.

MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY:

Discussion concerning the fee structure to stay at current cost unless Erwin's Board does not approve to increase to be the same as Coats.

Commissioner Allen Mosby rescinded his open motion.

RESOLVED, to approve one-year trial period for Coats-Erwin Recreation with the stipulation that if Erwin's Board does not approve to increase their out of Town rate then the Town of Coats will reduce the Town's rate to match Erwin.

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY: SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER BOB HEDRICK
APPROVED, AYES (3), COMMISSIONERS ALLEN, HEDRICK AND MOSBY
NOES (0)**

B. Cemetery Plots

Nick Holcomb requested approval for the purchase of two Cemetery Plots. 467 C and 468 C, purchased by JC Allen. **(Reference # 6)**

RESOLVED, to approve purchase of Cemetery Plots C467 and C468.

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY: SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER BOB HEDRICK
APPROVED, AYES (3), COMMISSIONERS ALLEN, HEDRICK AND MOSBY
NOES (0)**

C. Amy Johnson- Coats Beautification Committee

Amy Johnson thanked the Board for the two "Star-Christmas lights" purchased by the Town. Ms. Johnson updated the Board concerning a fundraiser on July 14 to help with the purchase of Christmas lights for the Town. Ms. Johnson questioned the Board of their interest in having banners that read "Coats Sponsors Campbell" and if so Campbell would pay half of the cost to purchase the banners. Ms.

Johnson inquired about if the Town would be interested in Campbell doing a feasibility study on a walking/running trail from Buies Creek to Coats. Ms. Johnson stated that Campbell would pay for the study.

The Board showed support for the Campbell banners and the feasibility study.

Mayor Coats asked Amy to bring a flag and information on the feasibility study for our August Board meeting.

VIII. MANAGER UPDATE & COMMITTEE REPORT:

Nick Holcomb Town Manager updated the Board on the following items.

- a. Working with Harnett County concerning the condemnation of buildings.
- b. Two minor subdivisions approved in Town.

Karen Wooten Town Clerk updated the Board that the CD rate changed from the Board approval. Board approved 1.35% for Water Fund CD; however, rate secured at 1.64%

Lieutenant Storicks gave Police Department stats for June 15-July 12 and gave an update on the Fund Raisers for Chief Hall. **(Reference #7)**

Mike Collins Recreation Director updated the Board concerning the All Star team playing in Duplin County, soccer registration being in August and the park being in good shape.

Rodney Pleasant presented his report for the month of June and updated the Board on the progress of the Public Works building. **(Reference #8)**

IX. PUBLIC FORUM:

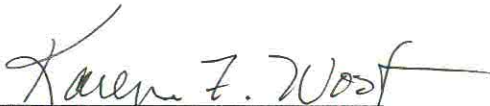
Mayor Coats opened Public Forum, hearing none Public Forum closed.


X. ADJOURN:

RESOLVED, to adjourn meeting.

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY: SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER BOB HEDRICK
APPROVED, AYES (3), COMMISSIONERS ALLEN, HEDRICK AND MOSBY
NOES (0)**

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.


Karen F. Wooten, Town Clerk


Chris Coats, Mayor