

Franklinton Board of Commissioners
Regular Monthly Meeting
January 19, 2010
7:00 p.m.

Mayor Elic A. Senter called the regular meeting of the Franklinton Board of Commissioners to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Anita Fuller gave the invocation and Ja'maurie and Jalen Bumpers led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those Present were Mayor Elic A. Senter, Commissioners John Allers, Al Barbour, Joe Cutchins Jr., Anita Fuller and Art Wright, Town Manager Larry Carver and Town Clerk Kim Worley. Other staff members present were Public Works Director Raymond Bragg, Acting Chief John Green, Water Plant Superintendent Frank Efrid, Zoning Administrator/Planner Tammy Ray and Attorney Mitch Styers.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Commissioner Cutchins made the motion to accept the minutes of the corrected December 15 and the January 11 workshop. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wright and accepted unanimously.

CITIZENS CONCERNS

Mr. Richard Morgan told the Board that he had a high water bill at 118 North Hillsborough Street. He stated he had a leak and had it repaired. He also told the Board that the bill was adjusted down to \$700 dollars and he is at the meeting asking the Board to forgive the bill and reimburse him what he has paid.

PRESENTATION

Swearing in of Police Chief

Mayor Elic Senter told the Board that it has been 20 years since the Board sworn in its last Police Chief.

Town Manager Larry Carver told the Board that he had the pleasure to do the interviews with the interview Board.

At this time Town Clerk Kim Worley sworn in John Green as the new police chief. She also called upon retired Chief Ray Gilliam to pin the badge on Chief John Green. Chief Green had his wife Tammy Green pin on his Colonial's insignia rank. Chief Green thanked the Board for the opportunity to be able to serve the Town and it Citizens.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION REPORTS

Tree Committee

Sheila Allers, Chairwoman

Sheila Allers told the Board that the committee will have a meeting on January 26 at the annex building. She told the Board that she will be meeting with Town Manager Larry Carver and Raymond Bragg on Tuesday.

Uptown Revitalization Committee

Pier Williamson, Chairman

Tammy Ray told the Board that the committee met January 7th and wrapped up its 2009 business. She stated they discussed concerns about having the money to award a 2010 façade grant. She stated the committee discussed holding a community wide yard sale on April 24.

Franklinton Senior Center

Patrick Woods, Director

There was no report this month.

Economic Development Committee

Dr. Stephanie Brown, Chairperson

Tammy Ray told the Board the committee met today and pulled together a list of goals for the 2009 – 2010 year and started prioritizing the goals.

Franklinton Township Chamber of Commerce

Mrs. Tanisha Holmes, President

Mayor Senter stated the committee met and are moving forward with many projects. He stated the business planners will be out by Friday.

Franklinton Arts Alive Committee

Commissioner Anita Fuller

Commissioner Fuller told the Board that the committee will have a meeting tomorrow night.

External Board/Committee Updates

Kerr Tar COG

There was no report.

Franklin County EDC

Mayor Senter stated that the committee received an update on the new company coming to Louisburg in the old Hon building.

CAMPO

There was no report.

Franklin County Chamber of Commerce

Commissioner Cutchins told the Board the chamber swore in its new chairman at the last meeting. He also told the Board the annual banquet is going to be this Thursday and it is a sold out event.

Franklin County Committee of 100

There was no report.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Public Works

Report from Raymond Bragg, Public Works Director

There is a copy of this report on file.

Mayor Senter asked who is responsible for the potholes. Mr. Bragg stated that he contracts with DOT to come in and fill the potholes.

Police Department

Report from Chief John Green

There is a copy of this report on file.

Chief Green told the Board that the department purchased 2 defibulators. He stated one is mounted in the office and one will be with the patrol cars. He also told the Board that Teague's donated a vehicle to the police department.

Water Treatment Plant

Report from Frank Efrid, Water Plant Superintendent

There is a copy of this report on file.

Planning and Zoning

Report from Tammy Ray, Planning, Code Enforcement & Zoning Administrator

There is a copy of this report on file.

Finance & Administration

Report from Larry Carver, Town Manager

Town Manager Larry Carver told the Board in the budget the general fund is close to being on budget. He stated the concern is for the public works department. He stated the revenues are lower than anticipated. He also told the Board that the town received its sewer bill that usually runs around \$27000, and the current one was \$60000.

OLD BUSINESS

Action Item Updates

Ordinance Update

Town Manager Larry Carver told the Board that they needed to set up a workshop for this.

ETJ Expansion

There was no report.

Sewer Rehabilitation

Town Manager Larry Carver told the Board that the town has sent in a request to the Rural Center to allow us to use the unused funds on the project.

Hardees Sewer Project

Town Manager Larry Carver told the Board that the quotes for bids went to the newspaper today.

Olde Liberty Water Reclamation Project

Town Manager Larry Carver told the Board that he has a meeting on Monday concerning this project.

Water Filtration Up-fit

There was no report.

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration of Setting Dates for Ordinance Update Workshops

The Board set March 4th 2010 at 7:30 p.m. for the first workshop and the second one will be on April 15th 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Consideration of Appointing In-town Representative to the Planning Board

Tammy Ray told the Board that in December John Allers came off of the planning Board so they need to appoint someone to take his place. Commissioner Fuller told the Board that she could not read the applications and would like to table this item to get hard copies.

Commissioner Fuller made the motion to table this item. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Allers and accepted unanimously.

Consideration of Request from American Legion Post 52 for Funding of the Annual Stand Up for American Celebration

Commissioner Fuller made the motion to table this item because there was no one from the American Legion to discuss it. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Barbour and accepted unanimously.

Review of Discussion at Public Works Workshop

Town Manager Larry Carver stated the Board discussed at length about midterm rate adjustments. He stated the opinion of the Board was not to raise the rates midterm.

Consideration of Utility Account Adjustments

Commissioner Wright made the motion to grant the adjustments. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fuller and accepted unanimously.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date Reminders

- URC Meetings 6 pm 1st Thursday
- Arts Alive 3rd Thursday
- Tree Committee 4th Tuesday
- Township Chamber 1st Monday
- Planning Board 3rd Monday

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Cutchins made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fuller and accepted unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

ELIC A. SENTER
MAYOR

KIM WORLEY
TOWN CLERK