

March 07, 2023

6:00 P.M.

The Randleman Board of Aldermen held a scheduled meeting on the above date with the following members present:

Gary Betts	(Mayor
Renee Bryant	(Mayor Pro-Tempore
Michael Dawkins	(Alderman At-Large
Melissa Blalock	(Alderwoman
Nancy Henderson	(
Greg Patton	(Interim City Manager
Bob Wilhoit	(Attorney

Reverend Jenna Grogan of First United Methodist Church led the assembly in prayer.

Meeting Called to Order

Mayor Betts called the scheduled March 07, 2023 Board of Alderman meeting to order.

Everyone in attendance stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda

Alderwoman Blalock made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted, seconded by Alderwoman Henderson and unanimously approved.

Insert: Consent Agenda

Public Comment

Ms. Terrie Grooms of 407 Rock Street, Randleman, NC, was present to speak to the Board about the possibility of using one of the City's buildings to hold the Lion's Club meetings in. Board consensus was to allow the Lion's Club to use Council Chambers to meet in the third Tuesday of each month.

Mr. Chris Owens of 302 North Stout Street, Randleman, NC, was present to speak to the Board regarding issues with traffic and noise in his neighborhood.

Resolution – Year of the Trails

Interim City Manager, Greg Patton, stated that the year 2023 was designated as the Year of the Trail. Randolph County Trails Coordinator, Mary Joan Pugh, was in attendance to discuss upcoming events associated with the Year of the Trail in Randolph County. Ms. Pugh relayed that there are trails that connect all 100 counties in North Carolina and stressed the importance of people getting out on the trails to support good health and quality of life. There will be a ribbon cutting event in the Worthville Community on March 25th that Randleman will host and a ribbon cutting when Franklinville and Ramseur trails successfully connect. This should hopefully occur in May or June. The Board thanked Ms. Pugh and Ms. Pugh thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak.

Library – 2nd HVAC System / Roofing Issues

Library Director, Donna Toomes, was present to discuss repairs needed at the Library with the Board of Alderman. The 2nd HVAC system is in need of replacement. Ms. Toomes spoke to the Board at the February 28, 2023 Board of Alderman Pre-Agenda meeting and submitted a quote from Tarheel Heating & Cooling for the Board’s review. Ms. Toomes also indicated that the roof on the library building is in need of some repairs and submitted a quote from Allied Roofing and will provide the Board additional quotes at the upcoming Board of Alderman meeting.

Board consensus was to repair the 2nd HVAC system as soon as possible.

Alderwoman Blalock made a motion to accept Tarheel Heating and Cooling as the lowest, responsible bidder for the 2nd HVAC system, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tempore Bryant and unanimously approved.

Insert: Tarheel Heating and Cooling Quote

Insert: Allied Roofing Quote

Resolution – Wastewater Treatment Plant Project

Interim City Manager, Greg Patton, noted that the City of Randleman intends to construct improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Plant including a new laboratory, administration building and repairs to the Blower Building. Resolution 23-07, a “Resolution Authorizing the City of Randleman to Execute an Installment Purchase Contract” for the City of Randleman was attached for the Board’s review. This resolution will allow the city to move forward in requesting State and/or grant assistance for the project.

Alderwoman Blalock made a motion to approve Resolution 23-07, a “Resolution Authorizing the City of Randleman to Execute an Installment Purchase Contract” as submitted, seconded by Alderwoman Henderson and unanimously approved.

Insert: Resolution 23-07 A Resolution Authorizing the City of Randleman to Execute an Installment Purchase Contract

Proclamation – Bleeding Disorder Awareness Month

Ms. Jessica Register contacted Mayor Betts requesting that the Board issue a Proclamation declaring the month of March as “Bleeding Disorder Awareness Month”. Mayor Betts read aloud the Proclamation.

Alderwoman Blalock made a motion to approve the Proclamation declaring March as “Bleeding Disorder Awareness Month”, seconded by Alderman Dawkins and unanimously approved.

Insert: Proclamation – Bleeding Disorder Month

Planning & Zoning Board Appointment – Lee Hinson

Mr. Patton requested that Mr. Lee Hinson of 4256 White Oak Drive, Randleman, N.C., be considered to serve on the Randleman Planning & Zoning Board. Mr. Hinson will be replacing Ms. Carole Lamb who has served for over 30 years on the Randleman Planning Board and has recently submitted her resignation. Mr. Patton noted that Mr. Hinson is willing and able to serve if the Board gives approval.

Alderman Blalock made a motion to approve Mr. Lee Hinson to serve on the Randleman Planning & Zoning Board as requested, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tempore Bryant and unanimously approved.

Insert: Lee Hinson Oath of Office

Mayor & Board of Aldermen Tablets / City E-mail Addresses

Mr. Patton, Interim City Manager, explained that the City of Randleman has been considering the purchase of Wi-Fi Tablets for the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen to better conduct business matters on and to provide even further transparency to the community and citizens of the City of Randleman. The Board previously tabled the vote at the February 7th Board of Aldermen meeting. Staff requested the Board revisit this item.

Alderman Henderson made a motion to approve the Wi-Fi Tablets and city e-mail addresses. There was no second motion made.

Wildlife Boating Ramp Ribbon Cutting

Mr. Patton stated that the official ribbon cutting ceremony for the Fish & Wildlife Boat Ramp located in the Worthville Community will take place on Saturday, March 25th at 11:00 A.M. Invitations will be sent out by the Tourism Development Authority. Mr. Patton requested that anyone planning to attend RSVP as soon as possible.

Mayor / Manager Updates

A Clean Sweep will be held at the Worthville Beach on Saturday, March 18th from 9:00 AM until 12:00 PM.

The Planning & Zoning Board will hear 2 rezoning requests on Monday, March 20th at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers.

The Petty Tribute's dedication ceremony will be held on April 15th. Mayor Betts requested the Board look at the option of putting 3 flagpoles and flags at the memorial.

A Resolution for Surplus Items will be included in the April Board of Aldermen Packets for the service revolver and cell phone for Detective Gene Henderson who recently retired from the Randleman Police Department.

There will be a Neighborhood Watch Program Meeting on March 8th at 6:00 PM in the Civic Center at Commerce Square.

The Piedmont Legacy Trail Summit Meeting will be held on March 10th from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM in Jamestown, NC.

The Easter Egg Hunt and the Storywalk will be held on Saturday, April 1st at the Stout Street Park. The Easter Egg Hunt will begin at 10:00 AM and the Storywalk will begin at 10:30 AM.

Closed Session NCGS §143.318.11(a)(6) Personnel, NCGS §143-318.11(a)(3) Legal, NCGS §143-318.11(a)(4)

Economic Development

Alderman Dawkins made a motion to enter into Closed Session for Personnel pursuant to NCGS §143.318.11(a)(6), Legal, pursuant to NCGS §143-318-11(a)(3) and Economic Development, pursuant to NCGS §143-318.11(a)(4), seconded by Alderwoman Blalock and unanimously approved.

Close Closed Session

Alderwoman Blalock made a motion to close Closed Session, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tempore Bryant and unanimously approved.

Re-Enter Open Session

Alderwoman Blalock made a motion to re-enter Open Session, seconded by Alderman Dawkins and unanimously approved.

Adjourn

As there were no further discussions to be held, Alderwoman Blalock made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Dawkins and unanimously approved.

Gary B. Betts, Mayor

Connie M. Cross, City Clerk