

September 05, 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	(Alderwoman
Greg Patton	(Interim City Manager
Bob Wilhoit	(Excused

Pastor Joel Bartz with Mount Lebanon United Methodist Church led the assembly in prayer.

Meeting Called to Order

Mayor Betts called the scheduled September 05, 2023 Board of Alderman meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone in attendance stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Amend Agenda

Mayor Pro-Tempore Bryant made a motion to amend the agenda to table Item #14, Amend City of Randleman Personnel Policy – Firefighter Pay Grade and Item #15, Radio Read Meters – Bid Options, seconded by Alderwoman Blalock and unanimously approved.

Amend Agenda - ABC Board Appointment

Alderwoman Blalock made a motion to amend the agenda to include the proposed reappointment of C.O. Hayes' to the ABC Board as Item #14, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tempore Bryant and unanimously approved.

Consent Agenda

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

Insert: Consent Agenda

Public Comment

There was no one present to speak during Public Comment.

Introduction of Dr. Shah – President of Randolph County Community College

Dr. Shah Ardalan, President of Randolph Community College, was present to introduce himself to the Mayor and Board of Alderman. Dr. Shah stated that he had previously been the President of Lone Star College-University Park in Houston, Texas and holds a doctorate in Community College

Leadership from the Roueche Graduate Center at National University in Austin, Texas. Dr. Shah earned his Master's Degree in Electrical Engineering from North Carolina A&T University and received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Physics from the University of North Carolina-Greensboro. Dr. Shah added that his career experience includes several positions at Prairie View A&M University in Prairie View, Texas, starting as a Senior Systems Analyst and moving up to Chief Information Officer and Associate Vice President of Operations. Afterwards, he became the Vice President for Technology Services at San Juan College in Farmington, New Mexico, and eventually moved back to Texas to work in the Lone Star College System in Houston, Texas. The Board thanked Dr. Shah for taking the time to attend the Board of Alderman meeting and introduce himself.

Greg Flory – Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority – Water Plant Expansion – Emerging Compounds

Mr. Greg Flory, Director of Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority (PTRWA) was in attendance to give the Board a presentation about the Water Plant Expansion Project and Emerging Compounds (Contaminants). Mr. Flory stated that the City of Randleman currently owns 1.0 Million Gallons Per Day (MGD) of total capacity in PTRWA and under the Master Agreement each partner's initial construction allocation is 100 percent take or pay allocation. Due to expected increased demand, the City of Greensboro has initiated an expansion request in accordance with PTRWA's Agreement with partners. The current plant capacity is 14.7 MGD and the requested expansion amount is 26.7 MGD and the expansion costs will be shared amongst those participating in the expansion.

Mr. Flory explained that Compounds of Emerging Concern (CEC's) are chemicals and constituents in the water that are newly detected that may pose a potential risk to human or environmental health. They are known as "Forever Chemicals" because they do not break down in the environment and the water must be treated for these chemicals. PTRWA has identified these compounds in our water source and has been studying the best available treatment technologies. With regulatory limits coming, the Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority will need to install treatment for CEC's. Reverse Osmosis Treatment is currently the best available technology that offers the broadest level of treatment for currently known CEC's. The amount each partner will need to contribute to the cost of treatment will be based on their percent participation in the original construction and any participation in expansions. Mr. Flory communicated that PTRWA will investigate all options when it comes to funding alternatives to lower the burden on partners which includes Revolving Loan Funds, State and/or Federal earmarks and Bond Financing.

The Board thanked Mr. Flory for his time and presentation.

Insert: Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority Presentation

Jared Byrd – Randolph County Emergency Services – VIPER Tower

Mr. Jared Byrd with Randolph County Emergency Services was in attendance to speak to the Board regarding the proposed placement of the VIPER Tower. Increased coverage is needed for first responders and emergency services personnel. A 399' tower can be placed on

Commonwealth Road on the City of Randleman land (1 acre) by lease, with the condition that if the tower is to be removed or is no longer in use, the land will remain with the City of Randleman.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Bryant made a motion to approve the tower being placed on Commonwealth Road contingent upon the City Attorney, Bob Wilhoit, reviewing and approving the contract and the condition that the land will return to the City of Randleman citizens, seconded by Alderman Dawkins and unanimously approved.

Revision – City of Randleman Ordinance Sec. 24-32.- Sanitation; Brush Policy

Brian Crawford, Public Works Director, requested that the Board of Alderman consider revising and updating City Ordinance Sec. 24-32., Sanitation; Brush Policy. Mr. Crawford stated that the update will specifically define what the City of Randleman’s Sanitation Division is responsible for when collecting brush for the citizens of Randleman. A copy of the revised and updated policy was included in the Board of Alderman’s Agenda Packets for their consideration.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Bryant made a motion to approve the revision and update of City Ordinance Sec. 24-32., Sanitation; Brush Policy, seconded by Alderwoman Blalock and unanimously approved.

Insert: Ordinance Sec. 24-32., Sanitation; Brush Policy

Update / Revise City of Randleman Guide to Refuse Collection Brochure

Public Works Director, Brian Crawford, requested that the City of Randleman’s Guide to Refuse Collection Brochure be updated and revised. Mr. Crawford submitted the current brochure and an updated brochure for the Board’s consideration. If the Board of Alderman approve the updates for the brochure, the new brochure will be included in the upcoming utility bills to be dispersed to the citizens of Randleman and copies will be placed in various city buildings in order to keep citizens informed.

Alderwoman Blalock made a motion to approve the revised Guide to Refuse Collection Brochure as submitted, seconded by Alderman Dawkins and unanimously approved.

Insert: City of Randleman’s Guide to Refuse Collection Brochure

Annexation Request

Interim City Manager, Greg Patton, relayed that N.C.G.S. §160A-58.2 dictates that upon the receipt of a petition for annexation, the Board of Alderman shall fix a date for a Public Hearing on the propose annexation. Notice of the hearing shall be published once at least 10 days before the date of the hearing. Encore at Bentley Manor, L.L.C., has submitted a petition requesting annexation. The property owners have an address listed as P.O. Box 2021, Asheboro, N.C., 27204 (PIN’s 7755432857 and 7755448031). The property is currently zoned R-3 (C.Z.). The signed petition and map of the property were included in the Board’s Agenda Packets for their review. Mr. Patton requested that the Board set a date for a Public Hearing.

Alderwoman Blalock stated that some of the paperwork was done through Guilford County and then went through the Register of Deeds in Randolph County and wanted confirmation that because this wasn't all completed through Randolph County, this would not be a problem in the future and Mr. Patton explained that all Register of Deeds fall under the State system. Mayor Pro-Tempore Bryant asked that Mr. Patton request that City Attorney, Bob Wilhoit, review and approve to make sure everything was in order.

Alderwoman Blalock made a motion to set the date for a Public Hearing for the Annexation Request to occur at the next scheduled Board of Alderman meeting on October 03, 2023, seconded by Alderman Dawkins and unanimously approved.

**Insert: Annexation Petition
Certificate of Sufficiency**

Backflow & Cross-Connection Ordinance

Public Works Director, Brian Crawford, requested that the City adopt an ordinance for Backflow and Cross-Connection Control. Mr. Crawford stated that the City of Randleman's O.R.C., Scott Pyrtle, recently attended a certification class with the North Carolina Rural Water Association that informed the attendees that every municipality must have a current Backflow and Cross-Connection Control Ordinance that has been adopted by their Governing Board. Included in the Board of Alderman's Agenda Packets was a draft of the Backflow and Cross-Connection Control Ordinance for the Board's review.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Bryant made a motion to approve the Backflow and Cross-Connection Ordinance contingent upon the information be in ordinance form with the correct assigned ordinance number with the same information as was in their Agenda Packets, seconded by Alderwoman Blalock and unanimously approved.

Insert: Ordinance Sec. 34-12.; Backflow and Cross-Connection Control

Surplus Resolution

Interim City Manager, Greg Patton, stated that the City of Randleman has property that is no longer used by the City in day-to-day operations and staff has requested that the property be deemed surplus. Police Administrative Officer, J.C. Parrish, will be placing the items on GovDeals, Inc., for purchase. Mr. Patton explained that Mr. Parrish has successfully led the City of Randleman through GovDeals, Inc. surplus sales in the past and is knowledgeable with the process. Resolution 23-11, "Resolution Declaring Surplus Property and Authorizing Disposal", was included in the Board of Alderman's Agenda Packets for their review and consideration. Resolution 23-11 authorizes the City staff to sell this property through public auction, internet on-line auction, private sale, donation to a non-profit organization, upset bid process, or destruction. North Carolina General Statute (N.C.G.S.) §160A-268-279 allows municipalities to dispose of surplus properties in these ways.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Bryant made a motion to approve Resolution 23-11, “Resolution Declaring Surplus Property and Authorizing Disposal”, seconded by Alderman Dawkins and unanimously approved.

Insert: Resolution 23-11: Resolution Declaring Surplus Property and Authorizing Disposal

Splashpad / Playground Choice and Progress – The Wooten Company Contract

Finance Director, Elizabeth Sechriest, relayed that she and PARTF Grant Project Manager, Robin Hughes, submitted their recommendations for the splashpad and playground to be placed at the Stout Street Park in accordance with the PARTF Grant guidelines for the Board’s consideration. Ms. Sechriest requested that that Board review and consider these options in order to move forward before September 15, 2023 to avoid a price increase on the items.

Alderwoman Blalock made a motion to approve the provided options for the splashpad and playground for the Stout Street Park as submitted, seconded by Alderman Dawkins and unanimously approved.

Insert: Splashpad and Playground Options

Ms. Sechriest added that also included in the Board’s Agenda Packets was the proposal from The Wooten Company for the engineering services required for the design of the splashpad, playground and associated parking to be constructed at the Stout Street Park and requested the Board review and consider the proposal.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Bryant made a motion to approve the proposal for engineering services from The Wooten Company, seconded by Alderwoman Blalock and unanimously approved.

Insert: The Wooten Company Engineering Contract

Amend City of Randleman Personnel Policy – Firefighter Pay Grade

This item was tabled with a motion made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Bryant, seconded by Alderwoman Blalock and unanimously approved.

Radio Read Meters – Bid Options

This item was tabled with a motion made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Bryant, seconded by Alderwoman Blalock and unanimously approved.

ABC Board Reappointment of C.O. Hayes, Jr.

Interim City Manager, Greg Patton, stated that Mr. David Hardison, General Manager of the Randleman ABC Board, requested that Mr. C.O. Hayes, Jr., be reappointed for another term on the ABC Board to be effectively immediately.

Alderwoman Blalock made a motion to approve the reappointment of C.O. Hayes, Jr., to the ABC Board, seconded by Alderman Dawkins and unanimously approved.

Insert: Letter of Reappointment for C.O. Hayes, Jr., to the Randleman ABC Board

Manager / Mayor Updates

Parks and Recreation Director, Randall King, stated that the 10th Annual N.C. Food Truck State Championship will be held Saturday, September 9, 2023 from 10:00 AM – 11:00 PM. Mayor Pro-Tempore Bryant asked if there was a map of the layout for the trucks and vendors and Mr. King presented the map to the Board. Mayor Pro-Tempore Bryant requested confirmation about the judges, the announcement of the winners, the bands, and the safety measures taken for the public and Mr. King confirmed that all was taken care of. Mr. King relayed that approximately 20 trucks and cars were expected.

The e-cycle event will occur on Saturday, September 16, 2023 at Creekside Park in Archdale, N.C., from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM.

The Randleman Homecoming Parade will be on Friday, October 6, 2023 at 5:00 PM.

The Elected Officials Picnic will be held in Franklinville, N.C., on Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 6:00 PM.

The Petty Roast will occur on Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 6:00 PM at the Benton Convention Center in Winston Salem, N.C.

Closed Session – N.C.G.S. §143-318-11(a)(6) Personnel

Alderman Dawkins made a motion to enter Closed Session pursuant to N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(6), seconded by Alderwoman Blalock and unanimously approved.

Close Closed Session

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

Re-Enter Open Session

Mayor Pro-Tempore Bryant made a motion to re-enter Open Session, seconded by Alderwoman Blalock and unanimously approved.

Adjourn

As there were no further discussions to be held, Mayor Pro-Tempore Bryant made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderwoman Henderson and unanimously approved.