

Dear Board:

Let me offer each of you a heartfelt –if belated -Happy New Year! As I enter my sixth year with the Town of Woodfin, I am reminded of the great opportunity that you have provided me to work for you and the people of Woodfin. Thank you again for the remarkable chance to work for such a wonderful and dynamic community and organization.

As you can see we have a few items for your consideration, but I do not anticipate an overly long meeting. Mayor VeHaun will not be with us on Tuesday and so it will be necessary to have a voice vote at the beginning to empower Mayor pro tem Maney to assume the gavel for the meeting.

A great deal is going on in our community and I look forward to briefing the Board on everything that is happening. I am concerned that our monthly meeting schedule does not allow the Board to get information as soon as it relevant and I would like to find out if all the Board members have an email address that would allow me to provide information for your consideration, review and input on a more frequent basis. If you could let me know if you have an email address and provide it I will try to put together a semi weekly (and perhaps soon a weekly) email to update the Board on breaking developments prior (or shortly after) their occurrence. If you have an email please give it to James at your earliest convenience.

As always is you have questions or concerns regarding this packet or any municipal business I am glad to take your phone call or email at any time.

Thank you again for the opportunity to serve the people of Woodfin.

Yours truly,

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**Town of Woodfin
Board of Aldermen Meeting
January 20, 2009
6:30 P.M.**

**Meeting
Meeting Call to Order**

Invocation
Approval of the Agenda
Approval of the Minutes

Executive Session- *The Board will adjourn to private chambers to discuss legal matters with the Town Attorney.*

An executive session will be required to discuss Versant and other matters pertaining to economic development and legal issues.

Public Forum- *Citizens may address the Board concerning various topics after being recognized by the Mayor.*

New Business

1. Consideration of a Proposal to Provide Wireless Internet Service for the Town from Aloft Communications.

Attached you should find a copy of a contract from Aloft communications to provide internet service for the Town of Woodfin. In my opinion the Board would be well served to wait for additional proposals and to consider other options. It is my belief after reviewing the proposal that it does not meet the needs and desires of the Board of Aldermen. Given that this is a contract issue I will discuss it specifically and directly in Executive Session.

2. Consideration of a Request for Financial Assistance from Woodfin Elementary School for the Placement of New Signage.

Woodfin Elementary has approached the Board about funding some new signage for the school. The amount is \$2,024 and is a relatively small sum for the almost annual request from the school. It is something that will benefit the community as a whole and staff recommends that the Board grant the request.

3. Consideration of an Ordinance to Prohibit Loitering in Certain Areas.

The attached ordinance would create a Loitering law for the Town. Presently we have no such ordinance although they are common in North Carolina. The attached ordinance is drawn directly from other municipalities that have withstood legal review. This appears before you at the request of the police department and with the strong recommendation of administration.

4. Consideration of a Proposal to Establish a Board Retreat Date.

With the New Year we need to plan a Board retreat to set goals and review successes and failures of the past year. The Mayor has proposed a date of February 3rd. The Board can determine by voice vote if this is an acceptable date and or choose another. The time is open for said meeting and can be set for lunch or evening.

5. Consideration of a Resolution of Support for Choice 3B on the proposed regional interstate connector.

This is a voice vote as well. Staff recommends that the Board consider a motion to throw its formal support as a whole behind Choice 3B for the proposed I-26 connector. This proposal seems to provide the most benefits to the citizens of Woodfin. The benefits include: faster anticipated construction and re-designation of 19-23 from future 26 to I-26 which will benefit travelers, residents and businesses; new signage will be placed to ensure that the motoring public have cause to know that they are headed to Woodfin and

are in the municipality; the proposal recommended has no known adverse impacts on this community and does not require diversion of the connector into our municipal limits.

Reports

Police Report
Parks and Recreation Report
Public Works Report
ABC Report
Administrative Report

Adjournment