

Minutes
Town of Chadbourn, North Carolina
Chadbourn Council Regular Meeting

May 3, 2016

The Regular Council Meeting of the Chadbourn Town Council was held Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Meeting Room.

Members Present: Mayor Phillip Britt; Councilmembers: Rashad Roberts, David Worley, Donald Ray Bass, James Green and Colene Kelly.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Robert Jones, Town Manager; Patricia Garrell, Town Clerk; Steven Price, Public Works Director; Darrell Trivette II, Chief of Police and Harold Pope, Town Attorney.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Britt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Patricia Garrell Town Clerk took roll call.

INVOCATION

Pastor Danny Russell led the assembly in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Britt led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Britt asked Council to make a motion to approve the agenda.

A motion was made by Councilmember Green requesting Parks and Recreation be added to the agenda as item number 13, and approve the agenda.

Motion by: Green
Motion Seconded by: Kelly
Votes: Ayes - 5
Nays - 0
Abstained - 0

APPROVED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

1. Regular Meeting Minutes – April 5, 2016

2. Closed Session Meeting Minutes – April 5, 2016

Mayor Britt asked Council to make a motion to approve the minutes listed above.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kelly to approve the minutes.

Motion by: Kelly
Motion Seconded by: Worley
Votes: Ayes - 5
Nays - 0
Abstained - 0

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ANNOUNCEMENT

3. Mayor Britt read the announcements.

- May 5th at 12 noon - National Day of Prayer at Chadbourn Fire Department Gazebo.
- May 7th at 2 PM - North Carolina Strawberry Festival Parade.
- May 30th - Town Hall will be closed for Memorial Day.

Mayor Britt closed the Announcements.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND CITIZEN REQUEST

Anyone seeking to speak under Public Comments must complete a comment card and submit it to the Town Clerk prior to the start of the Town Council Meeting. When you come up to speak, you will need to state your name, address, what organization that you represent and your topic of concern.

Mayor Britt opened the floor for Public Comments from the comment cards he received.

Vontine Randall, Chadbourn, NC

- Requesting the Town to put an area light at 202 Collins Street, because there home has been broken into twice.

Edwin Roberts, Chadbourn, NC

- Mr. Roberts requested to know what phase the budget was in.

Robert Dove, Chadbourn, NC

- Requested that more "No Stopping, No Standing and No Parking" signs be put up in the Town, because of the fact that they have helped.

Anthony Paige, Chadbourn, NC

- Mr. Paige requested updates on the rezoning of his property on Broadway Road.

Lisa Blake, Chadbourn, NC

- Stated she would like to stand in support for the Police Department and the Police Chief. She said that for the first time in a long time, the Police Department is not afraid to work in support of the town. Drugs have had this community in its clutches for a long time. It is time for all races to come together and save our children. We now have a Police Department that is not afraid to make changes and she is requesting support for them.

Councilmember Roberts is requesting the community to speak out about the possibility of the Chadbourn Middle School closing. When you take the school out of the community, it takes something away from the Town. Councilmember Roberts wants it to be on record that the community is against closing the school.

Mayor Britt closed the Public Comments.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

4. Public Hearing for Re-adopting the Town's Old Zoning Ordinance.

Mayor Britt opened the floor for the Public Hearing on re-adopting the Town's Old Zoning Ordinance at 7:16 p.m.

- No Comments

Mayor Britt closed the Public Comments at 7:17 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Britt asked Council to motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Councilmember Bass made a motion to take items 5 thru 9 as one. Councilmember Worley second the motion.

Councilmember Kelly requested that each Consent Agenda item be discussed and voted on.

5. Approval of WoodmenLife to place a plaque at the base of Town Hall's flagpole. Staff has requested Town Council's approval of the WoodmenLife plaque to commemorate the lives of those who perished on September 11, 2001.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert to approve the WoodmenLife plaque to be placed at the Town Hall flagpole.

Motion by: Roberts
 Motion Seconded by: Green
 Votes: Ayes - 5
 Nays - 0
 Abstained - 0

6. Approval of Budget Amendment 15/16-10 to Move Funds within the Police Department Budget. Staff has requested Town Council's approval for Budget Amendment 15/16-10.

Police Department

<i>Gas</i>	<i>10-5100-3100</i>	<i>Decrease (\$2,200.00)</i>
<i>Non Capitalized Capital Outlay</i>	<i>10-5100-7401</i>	<i>Increase \$2,200.00</i>
<i>Unemployment Insurance</i>	<i>10-5100-0800</i>	<i>Decrease (\$ 700.00)</i>
<i>School & Training</i>	<i>10-5100-1000</i>	<i>Decrease (\$ 400.00)</i>
<i>Travel</i>	<i>10-5100-1400</i>	<i>Decrease (\$ 500.00)</i>
<i>Radio Repair/Maintenance</i>	<i>10-5100-2000</i>	<i>Decrease (\$ 400.00)</i>
<i>Insurance Claims Deductible</i>	<i>10-5100-5500</i>	<i>Decrease (\$1,000.00)</i>
<i>Part Time Employee</i>	<i>10-5100-0202</i>	<i>Increase \$3,000.00</i>
<i>End of Budget Amendment 15/16-10</i>		

A motion was made by Councilmember Worley to approve the Budget Amendment 15/16-10 to move funds within the Police Department Budget.

Motion by: Worley
Motion Seconded by: Green
Votes: Ayes - 5
Nays - 0
Abstained - 0

7. Approval of Budget Amendment 15/16-11 to Accept/Expenditure Funds from The Good Shepherd Home Grant for the Police Department. Staff has requested Town Council's approval for Budget Amendment 15/16-11.

Police Department

Police Department Grant (Revenue)	10-3930-0100	Increase \$2,000.00
Grant-The Good Shepherd Home	10-5100-7408	Increase \$2,000.00
End of Budget Amendment 15/16-11		

A motion was made by Councilmember Roberts to approve Budget Amendment 15/16-11 to accept funds from The Good Shepherd Home Grant for the Police Department.

Motion by: Roberts
Motion Seconded by: Worley
Votes: Ayes - 5
Nays - 0
Abstained - 0

8. Approval of the Columbus County Health Department Contract for the WIC Program. Staff has requested Town Council's approval or disapproval for the 2016/2017 WIC contract.

A motion was made by Councilmember Roberts to approve the contract from the Columbus County Health Department for the 2016/2017 budget year.

Motion by: Roberts
Motion Seconded by: Bass
Votes: Ayes - 5
Nays - 0
Abstained - 0

9. Approval of Amendment Number 1 on the USDA Grant with LKC Engineering. Staff has requested Town Council's approval or disapproval of Amendment #1 which modifies the scope of services.

A motion was made by Councilmember Bass to approve Amendment Number 1 on the USDA Grant with LKC Engineering.

Motion by: Bass
Motion Seconded by: Roberts
Votes: Ayes - 5
Nays - 0
Abstained - 0

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ACTION AGENDA

10. Ruth Haynes requested to be placed on the agenda to use the Kangaroo Express Lot on May 7, 2016.
Presented by: Ruth Haynes

Ms. Haynes stated she wanted to sell juice on a small portion of the Kangaroo Express lot on May 7th.
A motion was made by Councilmember Green to allow Ms. Haynes to use the Kangaroo Express Lot on May 7, 2016 to sell juice.

Motion by: Green
Motion Seconded by: Roberts
Votes: Ayes - 5
Nays - 0
Abstained - 0

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11. **Lisa Blake requested to be placed on the agenda to request the Town of Chadbourn to support a Bicycle Day on June 11th.**
Presented by: Lisa Blake

Ms. Blake is requesting the Town of Chadbourn to sponsor a Bicycle Day on June 11, 2016 for ages 8-12 years old. The Chadbourn Revitalization Community will provide a hot dog meal after the bike ride. The sign-up will be at the Depot at 9 a.m.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kelly to approve the June 11th Bicycle Day to be sponsored by the Town of Chadbourn.

Motion by: Kelly
Motion Seconded by: Green
Votes: Ayes - 5
Nays - 0
Abstained - 0

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12. **John C. Midgette, Executive Director of the North Carolina Police Benevolent Association, Inc. has requested to be placed on the agenda.**
Presented by: John C. Midgette

Mr. Midgette stated that this association is a part of the Southern States Police Benevolent Association, which has been involved in representing law enforcement officers in North Carolina for over 30 years. PBA is the largest law enforcement association in our state. Our association works to promote effective and efficient law enforcement services and to protect the interests of our members. We have had members in the Columbus county area for over 20 years, currently representing the interest of more than 800 local law enforcement officer members in our Sand Hills Chapter.

Mr. Midgett stated that he is concerned with allegations against the Town Manager from members of the PBA. He stated that Mr. Jones was heading an investigation about town employees that personally involves the Town Manager and an unnamed member of the Town Manager's family. Mr. Midgette requested a State Bureau of Investigation or "other" probe into the allegations.

No Motion Required

13. **Councilmember Green requested to be placed on the agenda to talk about Parks and Recreation Department.**
Presented by: James Green

Councilmember Green stated that last year the Town hired someone for Parks and Recreation and that the only sport offered was baseball and things were not run correctly in his opinion. After the season ended for baseball, the Dixie Boys baseball team then had their season which was coached by Councilmember Bass. Councilmember Green stated that it was because of his conversations with the Town Manager that the Parks and Recreation program would need to end and that is why he came up with a plan for the following

year. Councilmember Green stated that he started his plan in December 2015, which was approved. He, also, said he came up with a plan to have several sports, besides baseball.

Councilmember Roberts stated that Councilmember Green has cleaned the ballpark using his own employees from his landscaping and home improvement business. He stated that Councilmember Green has taken this project on himself and he knew there would be bumps along the way because of the changes. He, also, stated that he was doing this out of his concern for the children and that he has not seen anyone come up to plate as Councilmember Green has.

Councilmember Green stated that he was going to step away from the Parks and Recreation Department because it would be a violation of the agreement between the Town and Mr. Jones current contract. Councilmember Green stated he would walk away from the Parks and Recreation Department after the baseball and soccer season is over.

14. Discussion for the Approval or Disapproval of the Planning and Zoning Board's Request to Re-adopt the Town's Old Zoning Ordinance (*Moved to item 14 when the agenda was approved*). Staff has requested Council's approval or disapproval to re-adopting the old zoning ordinance.
Presented by: Robert Jones, Town Manager

Mr. Jones requested Council to re-adopting the Town's Old Zoning Ordinance, which he stated was better suited for the Town of Chadbourn.

Council asked Mr. Jones if it was re-adopted could Mr. Anthony Paige property be re-zoned.

Mr. Jones stated yes.

Councilmember Roberts made a motion to approve re-adopting the Town's Old Zoning Ordinance.

Motion by: Roberts
Motion Seconded by: Kelly
Votes: Ayes - 5
Nays - 0
Abstained - 0

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XI. Closed Meeting Agenda

14. Closed session to protect the attorney-client privilege and to consider and give instructions concerning a potential or actual claim under General Statute 143-318.11 (a) (3).

Mayor Britt requested Council to make a motion to go into Closed Session at 8:02 p.m.

Councilmember Worley made a motion to go into Closed Session for General Statutes 143- 318.11(a) (3).

Motion by: Worley
Motion Seconded by: Bass
Votes: Ayes - 5
Nays - 0
Abstained - 0

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Council moved to Closed Session at 8:02 p.m.

Mayor Britt asked Council to make a motion to go back into Open Session at 10:34.

Councilmember Roberts made a motion to go into open Session.

Motion by: Roberts
Motion Seconded by: Worley
Votes: Ayes - 5
Nays - 0
Abstained - 0

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ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Britt stated that Council was back in session and asked if any Councilmembers had a motion.

Councilmember Kelly made a motion that Mr. Pope work with the PBA and no action was taken in the closed meeting.

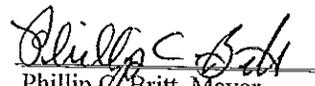
Motion by: Kelly
Motion Seconded by: Roberts
Votes: Ayes - 5
Nays - 0
Abstained - 0

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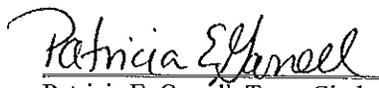
Mayor Britt requested Council to make a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Councilmember Bass made the motion to adjourn.

With no further business, Mayor Britt adjourned the meeting at 10:35 p.m.


Phillip C. Britt, Mayor

Attest:


Patricia E. Garrell, Town Clerk



