

Town of Farmville
Board of Commissioners
July 3, 2012

The Farmville Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, July 3, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building Courtroom with Mayor Robert L. Evans presiding. Present for the meeting were Commissioners Jamin Dixon, John Baker, Richard Hicks, John Moore and David Shackelford; Town Attorney Christopher Edwards; Interim Town Manager Samuel Noble and Deputy Clerk Theresa L. Cieslinski.

Mayor Evans called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Evans called for a moment of silence for the passing of Susan Cable.

Mayor Robert Evans offered the invocation which was followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Mayor Evans stated there were no citizen presentations at this time.

Interim Town Manager Noble requested for the following additions to the agenda:

- Agenda item 1A- 2nd Public Hearing on Community Development \$500,000 Grant
- Agenda item 7- Poster Reform for United States Postal Service

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to add the above items to the evening's agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearings

1. Request to Add Daycares in the General Business District

Developmental Services Director Paul Ellis presented the definition of a General Business District to the Board. Ellis explained Darren Darden is requesting to add daycares as a special exception in areas zoned GBD. Ellis stated the Planning and Zoning Board voted to deny the addition and recommended the denial to the Town Board as well.

Mayor Evans declared the public hearing on the Request to Add Daycares in the GBD open at 7:39 p.m.

Darren Darden explained to the Board that he is not opening a daycare but it is more of a youth and powering agency.

AC Salaam expressed to the Board that she is witness to the program, and if zoned, this program will provide part time staff and allow funds from the state for this child learning program.

There being no further comments, Mayor Evans closed the public hearing at 7:43 p.m.

Commissioner Jamin Dixon stated he wished to abstain from any vote's present/future relating to this topic.

After Board discussion, Commissioner Shackelford made a motion for Developmental Services Director Ellis to return and discuss with the Planning Board things addressed during public hearing. Commissioner Hicks amended motion to include for Darren Darden to provide additional information to the Planning Board that has not already been seen. The motion carried unanimously.

1A. Request to receive public comments on the needs to apply for CDBG Infrastructure Project, Catalyst Program

Mike Barnette, representing McDavid Associates, gave description of the CDBG Infrastructure Project – Water/Sewer Lines that would benefit low income citizens.

Mayor Evans declared the public hearing to receive public comments to see the needs for the CDBG Infrastructure Project, Catalyst Program open at 7:58 p.m.

AC Salaam presented asking if existing homes would be included.

Mike Barnette confirmed existing homes would be eligible.

There being no further comments, Mayor Evans closed the public hearing at 7:59 p.m.

Items for Consent

2. Approval of Minutes

To approve the minutes from the following meeting(s):

- June 05, 2012 Regular & closed sessions
- June 12, 2012 Special & closed sessions
- June 25, 2012 Special & closed sessions

On motion by Commissioner Baker, the Board approved the minutes from the June 5, 2012 regular and closed sessions, the June 12, 2012 special and closed session, and the June 25, 2012 special and closed sessions. The motion carried unanimously.

Items for Decision

3. Pedestrian Grant – Mid East Commission Update

Justin Oakes, Mid East Commission and Jean Wilkerson, Pitt County Public Health, CPPW Program Manager, presented the Board with updates regarding the newly awarded Pedestrian Study Grant from the NC DOT which will provide \$20,000 in NCDOT funding with a match of \$5,000 from the Town of Farmville.

4. Property at 4337 Darden Street

Developmental Services Director Ellis stated the property located at 4337 Darden Street has been condemned and the owners wish to donate the property to the Town.

Commissioner Hicks suggested for this item to be tabled until Developmental Services Director Ellis finds out if the property has asbestos in it.

5. Final plan for Pinehurst Court Subdivision

Developmental Services Director Ellis presented the final plan for the Pinehurst Court Subdivision at the north end of Field Street with larger and fewer lots.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion to approve the final plan for the Pinehurst Court Subdivision. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Classification & Compensation Schedule

Interim Town Manager Noble requested approval of the Salary Grade Schedule with the changes of adding back the Utilities Director at Grade 28 and removing the Economic Development/Utilities Director at Grade 30.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion to approve the updated Classification and Compensation Grade Schedule. The motion carried unanimously.

7. Poster Reform for US Postal Service

Mark Wilson, representing Delivering for America, presented the bill for HR 2309 which proposes service cuts in legislation including the elimination of Saturday delivery, elimination of door to door delivery and the closure of local post offices as well as postal processing centers. Mark requested the support of the Board to help Congressman Walter Jones stop Bill HR 2309.

Commissioner Moore made a motion for the Mayor to write letter and support Congressman Jones in this effort to stop bill HR 2309. The motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session

On motion by Commissioner Baker, the Board adjourned into closed session at 8:47 p.m. pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(4) to discuss matters relating to economic development. The motion carried unanimously.

On motion by Commissioner Moore, the Board returned into regular session at 9:39 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to adjourn meeting at 9:40 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Robert L. Evans, Mayor

Attest:

Theresa L. Cieslinski, Deputy Clerk