
Meeting Minutes

Regular Town Council Meeting

Green Level Town Council
Meeting Date: July 11, 2024
Green Level Municipal Building

The regularly scheduled meeting for the Town of Green Level Council was held on Thursday, July 11, 2024, at 7:00 PM in the Green Level Municipal Building located at 2510 Green Level Church Road.

Governing Body Members Present: Mayor Remonia Enoch, Mayor Pro-Tem Patricia Jones, Councilmember Hosea McBroom, Councilmember Michael Trollinger, Councilmember Stephanie Enoch. Mayor Pro-Tem Jones was present via telephone.

Green Level Officials Present: Town Administrator Barrett Brown, Town Clerk Taylor Prince, Town Attorney Eugene Russell

Also in Attendance: Public Works Director A.J. Simmons, Parks & Recreation Director Brandon Enoch

Mayor Enoch called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll Call: Town Clerk Taylor Prince conducted a roll call of the Town Council. All council members were present.

Invocation: Mayor Enoch

Approval of Agenda: Mayor Enoch inquired if there were any amendments needed for the drafted July 11, 2024, regular meeting agenda. Councilmember Trollinger made a motion to approve the July 11, 2024, regular meeting agenda as drafted. Councilmember S. Enoch seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Approval of Minutes: Mayor Enoch inquired if there were any amendments needed for the drafted June 13, 2024, regular meeting minutes and all councilmembers stated "No". Councilmember McBroom made a motion to approve the drafted June 13, 2024, regular meeting minutes. Councilmember S. Enoch seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Public Comments: There were five public comments. Doretha Winstead expressed concern for violations of the Town's noise ordinance. She requested signs be posted and more information regarding the ordinances be shared with residents. Christopher Profitt requested his application for rezoning be approved so he could open a flea market on the land. Arlon Profitt stated the flea market they previously operated had strict rules on noise and trash and would be little disruption in the Town. Melissa Cortez spoke on behalf of all Spanish speaking residents present, in favor of the rezoning for the flea market. She stated a lot of those present earn their living through the market and it would be beneficial to the Town. Matt Ragland reiterated his previous points on the proposed protective solar farm ordinance.

Planning Consultation Report: Haywood Cloud provided a report to all council members and inquired if there were any questions. Councilmember S. Enoch inquired if Mr. Cloud is involved with the code enforcement of the Town. Mr. Cloud stated he works along with Code Enforcement Officer, Jaimee Cousin. He stated when a question or concern comes up, he and Ms. Cousin discuss and interpret the Town ordinances. Councilmember McBroom inquired if Mr. Cloud was assisting Ms. Cousin in attending training and certification courses. Mr. Cloud reported that Ms. Cousin was registering for

certification classes. Mr. Cloud thanked the Council for the opportunity to continue to help with the Town and reported he would be back in six months.

Project Ordinance Proposal: Will Boney provided a grant project ordinance to the Council. He reported the ordinance was the final step in phase one of managing the ARPA grant. Mr. Boney reported phase two would include spending the money and closing out reporting to the U.S. Treasury. Mr. Boney reported the ordinance provided a record of all matters relative to managing the grant in one place, the format recommended by the UNC School of Government. He reported the ordinance compiled the choice of expenditure category, how the grant allocated among funds and the period covered by each project. Mr. Boney reported the expenditure category was revenue replacement, which allows the Town to reimburse itself for assumed revenue loss. He clarified that the grant money was obligated and expended, but the money had not been spent yet. Councilmember Trollinger inquired if there would be further annual reporting given to the Council for the grant. Mr. Boney stated this would be the end stage. Councilmember S. Enoch inquired how the dates on the ordinance were calculated. Mr. Boney stated March 2021 was as far back as it could have gone, but two years coincides with when the cash was received. Councilmember Trollinger made a motion to accept the grant project ordinance presented by William Boney. Councilmember McBroom seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Code Enforcement Report: Code Enforcement Officer Jaimee Cousin was not present but provided a report to the Council. Town Administrator Barrett Brown stated that Sgt. Nash sends weekly logs of all 911 calls in the Town, and when there are ordinance violations such as the loud noises mentioned earlier, a log is kept of all violating addresses. He reported that violations are issued to residents after so many

calls. Mr. Brown reported that signs with the noise ordinance can be posted around town, along with parking restrictions to combat recent complaints. Councilmember Trollinger inquired if properties along Highway 49 could be inspected as some had vehicles for sale in yards.

Public Works Report: Public Works Director Arthur Simmons inquired if there were any questions about the report provided to the Council. Mr. Simmons reported the contractors installing fiber optic lines had finished digging and laying lines. Councilmember McBroom inquired who can be contacted if a resident has an issue on their property due to the digging. Mr. Simmons stated residents can contact the Town Hall as he has a direct line with the crew supervisor. Mr. Simmons reported a startup was scheduled for July 17, to ensure everything was working properly. Councilmember Trollinger inquired if the conditions of Florence Road will be addressed once the construction is completed. Mr. Simmons reported gravel had been put down as a temporary fix, but once the heavy equipment is moved out the damage can be repaired. Mr. Simmons reported there are a few roads that need repair, in order of need.

Parks & Recreation Report: Parks & Recreation Director Brandon Enoch reported youth football was in full swing with regular practices Monday through Wednesday, 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM. He reported that the Trojan Strong HYPE football camp had begun, on Mondays and Wednesdays, 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM. Mr. Enoch reported a fundraiser was scheduled for July 20, 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM, serving food and washing cars. Mr. Enoch stated Family Fun Day was scheduled Saturday July 13, 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM, a back-to-school drive with sponsorship from Vaya Health, Grow Your World and Carolina Enhancement Services. Mr. Enoch reported BINGO night is scheduled for the first Monday of every month and has been well attended. Mr. Enoch reported the summer feeding program had begun, with meals available for anyone under the age of 18 in the Municipal Park from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM. Mr. Enoch reported the contract for the Capital Improvement Project had been signed by Town

Administrator Barrett Brown and the project would be brought before the Council as it moves forward. Councilmember Trollinger thanked Mr. Enoch for the great work in the department and the positive utilization of the facilities.

Town Administrator Updates: Town Administrator Barrett Brown provided the Council with a Protective Solar Energy Proposal. He reported the proposal adds a lot of protective provisions to the Town's current ordinance, which is shorter and not as thorough as other towns are adopting. Mr., Brown reported the plan includes safeguards for the residents and community as the solar industry continues to grow.

Mayor Enoch stated that Mayor Pro-Tem Jones had to leave the meeting.

Mayor Enoch inquired what of the proposed ordinance is in addition to the current ordinance. Mr. Brown reported many additions in the proposal, including more specifications for heights, fencing, buffers and landscaping. Councilmember Trollinger inquired how many solar farms are currently in the Town, and how many would be allowed. Mayor Enoch stated there are currently no solar farms within the Town. Mr. Brown reported that any solar farm would come before the Council before being constructed, but the ordinance sets up parameters. Mr. Brown stated that if the Council wishes to move forward in consideration of the ordinance, they may schedule a public hearing to hear comments from the public. He reported the Planning Board was scheduled to have a public meeting August 6, 2024, at 6:00 PM to discuss this and provide a recommendation to the Council. Councilmember Trollinger made a motion to send the proposal to the Planning Board for consideration and set a public hearing on the matter for August 8, 2024, at 6:30 PM. Councilmember S. Enoch seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Mr. Brown reiterated that Yates Construction would be attempting to start up the new pump station on July 17th, 2024. He stated all the engineers, and all the construction workers, would be present. Mr. Brown reported the Town applied for and was awarded a Division of Water Infrastructure grant to conduct a water system improvement plan. He stated this was a research grant, to provide an assessment. Mr. Brown reported that a call for engineers was put out and WithersRavenal was the only response. He provided the contract to the Council. Councilmember McBroom made a motion to accept the contract from WithersRavenal. Councilmember Trollinger seconded the motion.

The motion passed (4-1). Councilmember S. Enoch voted against.

Mr. Brown reported Alamance Community College had invited the Council and members of the public to a beam signing ceremony for the Public Safety Training Center on July 29, 2024, at 10:00 AM. Mr. Brown reported the applications for the Planning Board and Beautification Committee had been revamped and are available for any interested resident in the Town Hall.

Town Attorney Updates: Town Attorney Eugene Russell had no update at this time.

Town Council Comments:

Councilmember Trollinger thanked everyone for coming out. He stated Sheriff Terry Johnson expressed interest in the Town and doing whatever his department can do from their perspective. Councilmember Trollinger stated the Council is doing a great job, working together and giving it their best based on the

tools and resources available. He stated Sgt. Nash was doing a wonderful job implementing community policing.

Councilmember McBroom thanked everyone for coming out and stated that all residents of the Town are in this together and must work together to make progress. He thanked the town staff for an outstanding job. Councilmember McBroom reminded residents that the Town Hall is open, and there is staff to help support all residents.

Councilmember S. Enoch thanked everyone for coming out and stated the community needs to continue to come together. She stated that working together is how problems can be fixed.

Mayor Enoch thanked everyone for coming out and requested all residents continue to give their input so the Council can continue to try and make things better. She thanked the staff for their efforts during the Juneteenth celebration, which was a great event.

Councilmember Trollinger made a motion to go into closed session in accordance with NC General Statute Article 33C. 143-318.11 (a3) to consult with the attorney. Councilmember S. Enoch seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Councilmember McBroom thanked Melissa Cortez for coming and speaking on behalf of the Spanish speaking residents. Mayor Enoch thanked Melissa Cortez as well.

Closed Session

Open Session Resumes

Councilmember McBroom made a motion to accept the proposed Public Information Request form submitted by the Town Clerk. Councilmember Trollinger seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Councilmember Trollinger made a motion to approve the proposed changes to the Water/Sewer Service application to include a list of acceptable forms of identification. Councilmember S. Enoch seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Councilmember S. Enoch made a motion to accept the salary adjustments as proposed by the Town Administrator. Councilmember McBroom seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Councilmember Trollinger made a motion to schedule a public hearing for the rezoning application submitted for GIS parcel # 150253 for August 8, 2024, at 6:30 PM. Councilmember McBroom seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

The Council requested, through mutual consent, that the Parks and Recreation Department submit a proposal for alternative use of the horseshoe pits by the next council meeting.

Councilmember Trollinger made a motion to adjourn the Town Council until the next scheduled meeting, August 8, 2024, at 6:30 PM. Councilmember McBroom seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Mayor Enoch adjourned the Green Level Town Council meeting until August 8, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Taylor Prince

Town Clerk

Town of Green Level