Minutes Spring Hope Board of Commissioners Meeting May 6, 2024

A regular meeting of the Town of Spring Hope Board of Commissioners was held at 7 p.m. at the Spring Hope Town Hall in the Commissioners Room.

Members present: Mayor William Pritchard, Commissioners Brenda Lucas, Eric Gainey, Tommy Toney and Drew Griffin. Commissioner Cone was absent.

Also, present was Town Manager Andrew DeIonno, Town Clerk Michele Collins, Town Attorney Mark Edwards, Public Works Director Bobby Ball and Chief Nathan Gant.

Mayor Pritchard called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance.

Commissioner Griffin made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 2024 meeting; Commissioner Gainey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Mr. DeIonno informed the board that there were two representatives from Wooten to talk about the System Development Report and the Manual of Design Specifications; Will Larsen and Gary Hartung.

Mr. Larsen told the board that he was Wooten's regional manager and that the manual was finished. He explained that the manual would be a tool for the town to use going forward as it pertained to water and sewer standards. He said that this would be used during the redevelopment of the town as new subdivisions were created so that all would adhere to the same regulations. Mr. Larsen also said that the manual would assist public works with many aspects of their work. PWD Bobby Ball said that he was satisfied with the manual.

Commissioner Griffin made a motion to approve the Manual of Design Specifications; Commissioner Gainey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hartung gave a presentation that showed the progress of the System Development Report. He said that they were not quite done, however he did mention that there was a section in the new plan for developers to pay a fee for construction costs to the town.

Mr. Hartung said that they hoped to have the full report to the board before the June meeting.

Mr. DeIonno told the board that a representative from NC Commerce was there to present the final plan for the CEDAP.

Bruce Naegelen from NC Commerce introduced himself and told the board that he had been working with several members of the community for quite a few months. He said that he had performed several assessments of where the town stood as far as downtown development and the town as a whole. He mentioned that he had the groups give their opinions on what they thought was going to help Spring Hope with redevelopment.

Mr. Naegelen said he thought it would be a good idea to get several civic groups together to bring ideas to the board for their approval. He said that some of the other things could be a banner program. Replace streetlights and give historical workshops.

Commissioner Gainey made a motion to adopt the CEDAP; Commissioner Griffin seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Griffin made a motion to open the Public Hearing for the adoption of changes to Code of Ordinances Chapter 26 Zoning; Commissioner Gainey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing

There were no comments from the public.

Commissioner Griffin made a motion to close the hearing; Commissioner Gainey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Griffin made a motion to adopt the changes in Chapter 26; Commissioner Gainey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Gainey made a motion to go into Public Hearing for the adoption of an amendment to the Code of Ordinances Chapter 24 Subdivisions; Commissioner Griffin seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing

There were no comments from the public.

Commissioner Gainey made a motion to close the Public Hearing; Commissioner Griffin seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Gainey made a motion to approve the Subdivision Amendment; Commissioner Lucas seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Griffin made a motion to approve Budget Amendment 2024-06 & Budget Amendment 2024-07; Commissioner Lucas seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Gainey made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-06 to adopt a 5%match for RDED grant; Commissioner Lucas seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Griffin made a motion to accept the new Fields and Cooper contract ending FY 25; Commissioner Gainey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Griffin made a motion to not accept the State Revolving Funds for the Wastewater treatment plant or the Elevated tank; Commissioner Gainey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Chief Gant told the board that there were 128 calls for service which included 27 vehicle stops, 22 security checks . 8 accidents and 19 cases have been cleared.

LeaAnne Hahnel from the chamber told the board that they were having a joint meeting with the DDB at the Peachtree Country Club.

Mr. DeIonno reminded the board that the Budget Hearing for 24/25 would be held on June 3rd.

Commissioner Griffin made a motion to adjourn; Commissioner Gainey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Submitted

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