MINUTES
TOWN OF FORT MILL
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
November 25, 2013
7:00 AM

Present: Councilmen Huntley, Blythe, Spratt, Adams, Councilwoman Savage (tardy), Mayor Funderburk, Manager Pieper, Attorney Mack, Clerk Beachum

Absent: Councilman Helms

Guests: Engineering Director Paul Mitchell, Planning Director Joe Cronin

Mayor Funderburk called the meeting to order at 7am and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilman Huntley gave the invocation and Mayor Funderburk welcomed everyone. Councilman Huntley made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2013 meeting as submitted with a second by Councilman Spratt. Motion approved with a 5-0 vote.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Second Reading of an Ordinance Amending the Zoning Map of the Town of Fort Mill, so as to Change the Zoning Designation for York County Tax Map Numbers 020-12-01-025 and 020-12-01-026, Such Parcels Containing Approximately 14.7 Acres Located at 1905 Doby Bridge Road from GI (General Industrial) to GR (General Residential): Councilman Huntley confirmed this is the site of the Doby Bridge Park. Councilman Spratt made a motion to approve with a second by Councilman Adams. Motion approved with a 5-0 vote.

NEW BUSINESS

1. First Reading of an Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Fort Mill; Article II, Requirements by District; Section 9, HC (Highway Commercial) District; so as to Amend the Maximum Building Height for HC Zoned Parcels within 1,000 Linear Feet of Interstate 77 when Additional Setbacks are Provided: Town Council discussed various objections regarding building height, location, and limits for future development. Councilman Spratt made a motion to approve within 1,000 linear feet for Highway Commercial and Mixed Use zoned property, and within 1,000 linear feet of Interstate 77 right-of-way, with a second by Councilman Adams. Motion approved with a 5-0 vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Discussion of Negotiations Incident to Proposed Contractual Arrangements: Councilman Spratt made a motion to move into Executive Session with a second by Councilwoman Savage. Motion approved with a 6-0 vote and Council went into Executive Session at 7:11am.

OPEN SESSION

Town Council reconvened at 8:09am with Mayor Funderburk reporting no decision was made in Executive Session, and that Councilmen Adams and Spratt needed to leave for work. He also announced the Christmas tree lighting on December 5, at 7pm, and the Christmas parade on December 7 at 11am.

Councilwoman Savage, Councilman Huntley, and Councilman Spratt stated they are against riding on a float in the parade and would prefer riding in a vehicle as they've done in years past. Manager Pieper assured them they would have a car for the parade.

Councilwoman Savage thanked Council for their patience, and for working together. She also relayed a concern about overnight parking regarding certain entities or businesses in the downtown area, which Attorney Mack said he would investigate and report back. She also asked that during budget talks next year if staff could ascertain if the Town is paying for school resource officers to serve schools outside the town limits, and if so, to remedy that situation in next year's budgetary process.

Councilman Blythe expressed his dissatisfaction with the ongoing parking lot dispute with Springs as it makes it difficult for him and his children to visit the park. He asked if a negotiation could take place at least for parking access to the parks and that area.

Councilman Huntley stated his thankfulness for everyone and his gratitude for all the blessings in his life.

There being no further business, Councilwoman Savage made a motion to adjourn with a second by Councilman Huntley. Motion approved with a 4-0 vote and the meeting adjourned at 8:17am.

Respectfully submitted,

April Beachum
Town Clerk

Dennis Pieper
Town Manager