

A regular meeting of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen was held on Tuesday, March 17, 1987 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room.

Present and presiding:

Mayor	James V. Porto, Jr.
Aldermen	Randy Marshall
	Tom Gurganus
	Hilliard Caldwell
	John Boone
	Judith Wegner
	Zona Norwood
Town Manager	Robert W. Morgan
Town Clerk	Sarah C. Williamson
Town Attorney	Michael B. Brough

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION WAS MADE BY HILLIARD CALDWELL AND SECONDED BY JOHN BOONE THAT THE MINUTES OF MARCH 10, 1987 BE APPROVED. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

PROCLAMATION ISSUED

Mayor Porto issued a proclamation proclaiming the week of April 5 - 11, 1987 as the Week of the Young Child in the Town of Carrboro.

PUBLIC HEARING/PROPOSAL TO LOCATE A NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY IN CARRBORO

This was a public hearing to receive citizen comments on a proposal to locate a National Guard Armory in the Town of Carrboro.

Lt. Colonel Douglas Phelps, Chairman of a committee to recommend a site for an armory facility for the 449th Aviation Group of the North Carolina National Guard, appeared before the Board. Lt. Colonel Phelps stated that a recommendation had already been submitted on the site for the 449th unit. Lt. Colonel Phelps stated that regardless of the type of National Guard unit, the local government would be required to provide 10 acres of land, the local government would be required to pay for 12 1/2% of the construction cost, along with the local government paying for 100% of the site preparation. Lt. Colonel Phelps stated that Carrboro has been identified as a potential site for any future National Guard unit that may locate in North Carolina. Lt. Colonel Phelps stated that they have a representative going to the National Guard Bureau this week to see if there are any compatible type units that would be suitable for both North Carolina and Carrboro. Lt. Colonel Phelps stated that in 1985 the Recruiting and Retention Branch of the National Guard identified a number of counties in the State of North Carolina that demographic studies indicated were potential sites for National Guard units. The statistics showed that Orange County meets the requirements for eligible males and/or females available in the age categories 17-21 years of age which would be able to support a National Guard unit. In addition, this study showed that Orange County was very conducive to a medical type of unit. Lt. Colonel Phelps stated that it is possible to deed land to the state for the purpose of building a National Guard unit and if a unit is not built on that land within a specified length of time, the land could revert back to the local government. It would be anticipated that a unit would be built on the property within 5 to 6 years.

Major Bill Dowling stated that National Guard facilities are built with classroom complexes, supply rooms, arms room, cooking facilities, drill hall and administrative areas. An amory of up to 100 personnel would be 19,000 to 22,000 square feet. Based on today's standards the cost of such a facility would be approximately \$1.4 million. Local contractors could get involved in the construction of a facility. Armory facilities are available for any type of large social function. The drill halls are normally between 5,400 to 6,400 square feet with ceiling heights of 18 1/2 feet. Ceiling heights could be altered if the local government were willing to pick up the cost of constructing the additional footage.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JOHN BOONE AND SECONDED BY HILLIARD CALDWELL THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE CLOSED AS NO ONE ELSE WISHED TO SPEAK. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

It was the consensus of the Board to request Mayor Porto to appoint a committee identify possible sites for a armory, to prepare a financial plan and prepare a resolution of intent to offer to the National Guard.

QUARTERLY REPORT/ORANGE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Dr. Norman Weatherly, the town's representative on the Orange County Economic Development Corporation, presented a report on the activities of that agency.

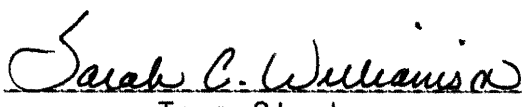
Dr. Weatherly stated that the Corporation had been working primarily on a comprehensive plan for economic growth and development for Orange County during the past quarter. Dr. Weatherly presented the Board with a copy a proposed preliminary study of this plan.

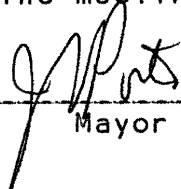
HUMAN SERVICE APPLICATIONS

Mr. Morgan requested direction from the Board on how to handle funding applications received after the published deadline. Mr. Morgan stated that the Human Services Commission had already set its schedule for review of applications and had already begun its process.

It was the consensus of the Board to instruct the Town Manager to pass on those applications pertaining to human services to the Human Services Commission for consideration and that the town staff should review all other applications.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.


Town Clerk



Mayor