

A regular meeting of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen was held on Tuesday, June 5, 1990 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room.

Present and presiding:

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| Mayor | Eleanor Kinnaird |
| Aldermen | Randy Marshall |
| | Tom Gurganus |
| | Hilliard Caldwell |
| | Frances Shetley |
| | Jacquelyn Gist |
| | Jay Bryan |
| Town Manager | Robert W. Morgan |
| Deputy Town Clerk | Larry Gibson |
| Town Attorney | Michael B. Brough |

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION WAS MADE BY JAY BRYAN AND SECONDED BY JACQUELYN GIST THAT THE MINUTES OF MAY 22, 1990 BE APPROVED. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

PROCLAMATION

Alderman Gist read a proclamation proclaiming the month of June, 1990 as Rape Crisis Month in the Town of Carrboro.

CHARGES ISSUED

The Deputy Town Clerk issued "charges" to Allen Splat, Richard Ellington and Earol McCauley, recent appointees to the Board of Adjustment.

EMPLOYEE GRIEVANCE

Jim Urban, an employee in the town's Public Works Dept., requested the Board's assistance in resolving a condition of a new public works policy.

Mayor Kinnaird requested that Mr. Urban discuss this matter with the Assistant Town Manager, who acts as the Personnel Officer.

REQUEST TO SET PUBLIC HEARING/LAND USE ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT TO ELIMINATE THE PAVING REQUIREMENT WITHIN THE B-1(C) ZONING DISTRICT

The administration requested that a public hearing be set for June 19, 1990 to consider a proposed amendment to the Land Use Ordinance which would eliminate the paving requirements within the B-1(c) zoning district.

MOTION WAS MADE BY HILLIARD CALDWELL AND SECONDED BY TOM GURGANUS THAT A PUBLIC HEARING BE SET FOR JUNE 19, 1990. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

PUBLIC HEARING/1990-91 MANAGER'S PROPOSED BUDGET

This was a public hearing to receive citizens' comments on the Manager's proposed budget for Fiscal 1990-91.

Larry Gibson, Assistant Town Manager, presented an overview of the Manager's proposed budget.

Faye Farrar, a member of Board of Trustees of the St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church, presented a petition requesting the town to approve funding to complete the sidewalk and curbing on the west side of the 100 block of N. Merritt Mill Road.

Diana Woolley, representing the Orange Community Housing Corp., stated that the Housing Corp. has been formally incorporated as a non-profit entity and had received a \$20,000 grant from the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation. This first year grant is contingent upon receiving funding from Carrboro, Orange County and Chapel Hill. Ms. Woolley formally requested a grant in the amount of \$10,000 from the Town of Carrboro for FY'90-91.

Ed Rehkopf, Chairman of Cleanscape, a group of community volunteers dedicated to litter prevention and pickup, requested funding in the amount of \$750, which would be used to publicize the semi-annual litter pickups (G'Litter Days) and to continue to expand the Profitable Image Enhancement program.

Richard Ellington, a resident of 109 Bruton Drive, requested the town scrutinize its personnel recommendations with particular attention to hidden costs, i.e., insurance and fringe benefits. Mr. Ellington requested safety improvements to Hillsborough Road to include a bicycle path and sidewalk. Mr. Ellington also expressed concern over the amount of litigation that the town has been involved in.

Susan Spalt requested the town support the DARE position proposed for the Police Department.

Gary Carlson, with Lions International, stated that his club had established a standing committee for drug abuse awareness and prevention. Mr. Carlson urged the Board to support the DARE position.

Jim Hugridge, a crisis counselor with the Chapel Hill Police Dept., spoke in support of the DARE concept. Mr. Hugridge stated that the DARE program consists of having an officer at the school for 17 sessions, 45 minutes per session for the fifth grade class.

Charles Riggsbee, a Carrboro resident, expressed concern about the proposed tax increase. Mr. Riggsbee asked how the town could afford to send two town employees to the Public/Private Partnership Conference in light of the town's request for five additional employees. Mr. Riggsbee suggested that the town cut out the salaries for the Mayor and Board of Aldermen as a symbolic gesture; that the salaries of the town employees be looked at to cut costs. Mr. Riggsbee suggested that the town pursue other alternatives in lieu of raising taxes.

Don Sweeting, a resident of 105 Aberdeen Court, stated that the county tax rate was increasing more rapidly than it should be and requested that it be looked at very closely before being raised.

MOTION WAS MADE BY RANDY MARSHALL AND SECONDED BY TOM GURGANUS THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE CLOSED. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

PUBLIC HEARING/STREET CLOSING REQUEST/PRIDE 90 COMMITTEE

The Pride 90 Committee has requested the temporary closing of a portion of Main Street and Weaver Street from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 30, 1990. The Committee also requested permission to use the Town Commons area for a rally following the march from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. The administration has approved the Committee's request to use the Town Commons area as outlined in its May 18, 1990 letter. The administration recommended adoption of a resolution authorizing the temporary street closing.

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

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman Randy Marshall and duly seconded by Alderman Jacquelyn Gist.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY CLOSING
OF A PORTION OF MAIN STREET AND WEAVER STREET
TO ACCOMMODATE THE 5TH ANNUAL LESBIAN AND GAY PRIDE MARCH
Resolution No. 56/89-90

THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CARRBORO RESOLVES:

Section 1. The following streets shall be temporarily closed on Saturday, June 30, 1990 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. to accommodate the 5th Annual Lesbian and Gay Pride March.

a. Main Street from Franklin Street to Weaver Street (westbound lanes)

b. Weaver Street from the Main Street intersection to the Town Hall parking area (both westbound and eastbound lanes)

This march is to be held in accordance with the permit issued by the Board of Aldermen pursuant to Article III of Chapter 7 of the Town Code.

Section 2. The town administration shall install appropriate traffic control devices to give notice of the temporary traffic controls.

Section 3. No person may operate any vehicle contrary to the traffic control devices installed in accordance with Section 1 of this resolution.

Section 4. The town shall be responsible for providing security, crowd control and traffic control.

Section 5. The town administration shall notify Central Communications of the street closing time period.

Section 6. This resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, received the following vote and was duly adopted this 5th day of June, 1990:

Ayes: Randy Marshall, Tom Gurganus, Hilliard Caldwell, Eleanor Kinnaird, Frances Shetley, Jacquelyn Gist, Jay Bryan

Noes: None

Absent or Excused: None

HIGHLANDS PHASE V CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT MODIFICATION

Helen Waldrop, Zoning Administrator, stated that Piedmont Atlantic had requested a minor modification of the conditional use permit issued on November 21, 1989 for the Highlands, Phase V, which would allow an architecturally integrated subdivision. This property is located in the northern transition area and is zoned R-20. The parcel is identified as Tax Map 109, Lot 9. Ms. Waldrop stated that the administration recommended approval of the proposed change.

MOTION WAS MADE BY HILLIARD CALDWELL AND SECONDED BY JAY BRYAN THAT THE MINOR MODIFICATION BE APPROVED. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

UPDATE ON TOWN COMMONS FUND RAISING EFFORTS

Pat Davis, Chair of the Town Commons Task Force, presented a status report on fund raising efforts for the Town Commons project. Mr. Davis stated that the goal is to raise approximately \$400,000 in

cash or contributions in labor or materials and equipment. To date, approximately \$29,000 has been raised, of that amount \$6,000 has been spent. The balance of \$23,000 would be sufficient to fund preparation of the final drawings for the project, estimated to be \$21,600. Mr. Davis stated that once authorized, it will take Lucy Carol Davis approximately 3 to 4 months to complete the final drawings. The local news media have agreed to contribute advertising time for the upcoming major fund-raising effort for capital construction purposes. There are a number of pledges available when they are needed. Some special events are planned in conjunction with the town's 4th of July Celebration. A benefit auction is planned for this fall.

PRESENTATION OF INFORMATION ON ORANGE COUNTY'S GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM

Roscoe Reeves, with the Orange County Land Records Office, provided the Board with information regarding the Orange County Geographic Information System (GIS). The current participants include Orange County, the Town of Chapel Hill, the Town of Carrboro and the University of North Carolina. Mr. Reeves presented the concept and product of the GIS system in a video.

(No action was taken by the Board on this matter.)

STATUS REPORT/PARKING COMMITTEE STUDY

David Summers, Chair of the Downtown Parking Committee, presented a status report on the work of the committee. Mr. Summers stated that the Committee concluded that existing parking is under-utilized and that the issue is not the availability of parking spaces but having spaces where business owners and customers want them. Mr. Summers stated that the Parking Committee, through the town staff, had contacted the owner of the vacant lot between the laundry and the current post office on South Greensboro Street about the town leasing that property to provide approximately 34 parking spaces to the central business district. The Parking Committee suggests that once small area parking lots are upgraded, the town and business community could install parking lot signs that are high visible to the public with the Business Association being encouraged to share in the cost of the signs. Mr. Summers stated that the Parking Committee will work with the Business Association to encourage the improvement of privately-owned lots, with particular interest being given to the parking behind the central business district.

Mr. Summers stated that the Parking Committee requested that \$6,953 be set aside in the 1989-90 budget to facilitate the proposed improvements to the Durham Laundry lot on South Greensboro Street. The plans and labor for this project will be provided by the Public Works Department.

MOTION WAS MADE BY RANDY MARSHALL AND SECONDED BY FRANCES SHETLEY THAT \$6,953 BE SET ASIDE IN A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET LINE ITEM TO COVER THE COST OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE DURHAM LAUNDRY PARKING LOT SITE, AND THAT THE TOWN STAFF SEEK TO SECURE A LONG-TERM LEASE WHICH WOULD EXCEED ONE YEAR. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE FOUR, NEGATIVE THREE (BRYAN, CALDWELL, GURGANUS)

MOTION WAS MADE BY FRANCES SHETLEY AND SECONDED BY JAY BRYAN THAT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT PREPARE A RECOMMENDATION ON THE FEASIBILITY OF RESTRICTING PARKING IN THE YAGGY LOT TO TWO HOURS. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

MOTION WAS MADE BY FRANCES SHETLEY AND SECONDED BY TOM GURGANUS THAT THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF CLOSING

A SECTION OF LAUREL AVENUE TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL PARKING. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE FIVE, NEGATIVE TWO (MARSHALL, BRYAN)

MOTION WAS MADE BY TOM GURGANUS THAT THE TOWN COMMONS AREA BE CONSIDERED AS A TEMPORARY PARKING LOT. (MOTION DIED FOR THE LACK OF A SECOND)

SOUND SYSTEM FOR BOARD ROOM

Tim Blake, the town's Purchasing Officer, presented a report on proposals received to improve the sound system in the Town Hall board room. Mr. Blake presented the following alternatives: Alternative I would upgrade the existing equipment for a total cost of \$574.00; Alternative II would replace the current system for a total cost of \$8,827.35.

Mr. Blake stated that the administration recommended that the existing sound system be upgraded in lieu of replacing the existing system.

MOTION WAS MADE BY TOM GURGANUS AND SECONDED BY JACQUELYN GIST THAT ALTERNATIVE I BE CONSIDERED ALONG WITH OTHER ITEMS IN THE 1990-91 BUDGET. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE THREE, NEGATIVE FOUR (KINNAIRD, MARSHALL, BRYAN, SHETLEY)

MOTION WAS MADE BY RANDY MARSHALL AND SECONDED BY JAY BRYAN THAT THE EXISTING SYSTEM BE UPGRADED FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$574.00. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

DOWNTOWN CIRCULATION PLAN

Roy Williford, Planning Director, stated that the Board of Aldermen at its Annual Planning Retreat, discussed several aspects of the Downtown Circulation Plan, which was presented by the Transportation Advisory Board. The Board agreed to further discuss the status of the Downtown Circulation Plan and to determine its position on the Lloyd/Broad Street and Carr Street Extension components proposed in the plan. Mr. Williford stated that the administration requested direction from the Board on proceeding with any of the various components contained in the Downtown Circulation Plan.

MOTION WAS MADE BY RANDY MARSHALL AND SECONDED BY TOM GURGANUS THAT THE LLOYD/BROAD AND CARR/ROBERSON/BREWER LANE ALTERNATIVES TO THE DOWNTOWN CIRCULATION PLAN BE BROUGHT BACK TO THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION AT WHICH TIME THE BOARD CAN MAKE A DECISION AS TO WHETHER TO PROCEED WITH A PUBLIC HEARING PRIOR TO ANY FURTHER BOARD ACTION. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE THREE, NEGATIVE FOUR (CALDWELL, SHETLEY, GIST, BRYAN)

APPOINTMENT TO TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD

The Chair of the Transportation Advisory Board recommended that Cathy Derian be appointed to the vacant seat on the TAB.

MOTION WAS MADE BY TOM GURGANUS AND SECONDED BY HILLIARD CALDWELL THAT CATHY DERIAN BE APPOINTED TO THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

ADJUSTMENT OF SPEED ZONE ON SOUTH GREENSBORO STREET

Sarah Burdick, the town's Transportation Planner, stated that in response to a meeting with the residents of South Greensboro Street, N.C. DOT forwarded an ordinance amendment to the town which would put the 20 mph speed zone into effect 700 feet south of Main St. instead of 425 feet south of Main St. where the sign stands now. Ms. Burdick stated that the administration recommended

adoption of the proposed ordinance.

MOTION WAS MADE BY HILLIARD CALDWELL AND SECONDED BY JAY BRYAN THAT THE ORDINANCE ENTITLED, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CARRBORO TOWN CODE TO EXTEND THE 20 MILE PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT ON SOUTH GREENSBORO STREET," BE ADOPTED. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

It was the consensus of the Board to request that the Transportation Planner look into the possibility of reducing the speed limit on Highway 54 from the town limits to Rangewood.

REPORT ON TOWN LITERACY PROGRAM

Larry Gibson, Assistant Town Manager, presented a status report on efforts to establish a literacy program for town employees. Mr. Gibson stated that Joyce Taggart of the Orange County Literacy Council and Dorothy Brower, Adult Education Coordinator for Orange County, have both offered assistance to the town in setting up a program for the Town of Carrboro. The first step will be identifying those employees who would benefit from such a program. September 1, 1990 has been set as a target date for implementing this program.

AWARD OF AUDIT CONTRACT

The administration requested that the Board approve a contract with Deloitte and Touche to perform the 1989-90 fiscal year audit for a total cost of \$18,100.

MOTION WAS MADE BY TOM GURGANUS AND SECONDED BY RANDY MARSHALL THAT THE CONTRACT BE AWARDED TO DELOITTE AND TOUCHE FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$18,100. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING DARE PROGRAM

Alderman Marshall requested that the town staff prepare a resolution for consideration by the Board in support of the DARE program.

REQUEST FOR REPORT ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP CONFERENCE


Mayor Kinnaird requested a report on the Public/Private Partnership Conference.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JAY BRYAN AND SECONDED BY TOM GURGANUS THAT THE BOARD GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

SALARY FOR TOWN ATTORNEY

IT WAS THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD THAT THE TOWN ATTORNEY'S CONTRACT FOR 1990-91 BE INCREASED BY FIVE PERCENT FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$55,440.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



 Mayor

 Deputy Town Clerk