

A regular meeting of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen was held on Tuesday, January 26, 1993 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room.

Present and presiding:

Mayor	Eleanor Kinnaird
Aldermen	Randy Marshall
	Hilliard Caldwell
	Frances Shetley
	Jacquelyn Gist
	Jay Bryan
Town Manager	Robert W. Morgan
Town Clerk	Sarah C. Williamson
Town Attorney	Michael B. Brough

Absent:
Alderman Tom Gurganus

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION WAS MADE BY JAY BRYAN AND SECONDED BY JACQUELYN GIST THAT THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 19, 1993 BE APPROVED. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

CHARGE ISSUED TO NEW BOARD APPOINTEE

The Town Clerk issued a "charge" to Marianne Fiorentino, a new appointee to the Downtown Development Commission.

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION ISSUED

Mayor Kinnaird presented a certificate of appreciation to A.C. Bushnell for his service to the town while serving on the Cable T.V. Committee.

GRANT PROPOSAL FROM THE ARTSCENTER

Eileen Helton, Manager of the ArtsCenter, asked that the town serve as lead agency for a grant from the Governor's Crime Commission under the Juvenile Justice System to provide an after school program for ages 9 - 14 in violence prevention and drama.

Mike Brough stated that a memorandum of understanding would be necessary between the town and the ArtsCenter setting forth the town's role as lead agency for the grant.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JACQUELYN GIST AND SECONDED BY HILLIARD CALDWELL THAT THE TOWN SERVE AS LEAD AGENCY FOR THE GRANT. (MOTION WITHDRAWN)

MOTION WAS MADE BY JAY BRYAN AND SECONDED BY HILLIARD CALDWELL THAT THE BOARD SUPPORT THE CONCEPT OF THE TOWN SERVING AS THE LEAD AGENCY FOR THE ARTSCENTER'S GRANT REQUEST, PENDING THE DEVELOPMENT AND APPROVAL BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE ARTSCENTER THAT DEFINES THE TOWN'S ROLE AS LEAD AGENCY. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

WORKSESSION ON COMMUNITY BUILDING

At Alderman Bryan's request, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen set this evening as a worksession to discuss John Gardner's article on Community Building. In this article, Mr. Gardner identifies ten attributes of a healthy community:

1. Wholeness incorporating diversity;
2. Reasonable base of shared values;
3. Caring, trust and teamwork;
4. Effective internal communication;
5. Participation;
6. Affirmation;
7. Links beyond the community;
8. Development of young people;
9. A forward view; and
10. Institutional arrangements for community maintenance.

In discussing this article, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen may wish to ask itself certain questions:

1. As elected officials, should the Mayor and Board of Aldermen be concerned about the question: What is a healthy community?
2. If yes, are the Mayor and Board of Aldermen in agreement with each of Mr. Gardner's ten attributes for a healthy community?
3. Does the Board see other attributes important to a healthy community?
4. Are these attributes worth working towards and should goals be set to achieve them?
5. How do we identify these goals?
6. Which attributes are most important?

Alderman Bryan stated that the Board represents a lot of constitutes in the town and the Board sets a model for the town. Developing the transition area is an opportunity to do some things that will allow that area to be a part of Carrboro - not just another sea of suburbs.

Mayor Kinnaird questioned how the transition area could feel part of the town because of its location.

Alderman Bryan stated that the Board would need to decide what to do with the existing community to make it work better and communicate better. Once the structure is laid out, for example, a town-wide council on which neighborhood association representatives would serve, then when a new neighborhood or subdivision comes into the town, a new representative would be added to the council. Alderman Bryan stated that the citizens of Carrboro like living in Carrboro and identify with the town, but feels the Board should be mindful of the pressures of growth.

Mayor Kinnaird stated that what people identify with in the town makes people feel as though they are part of the town. In the past the town was a mill town and people identified with that and the church in the middle of the town. We need to ask, "What do people identify with?" Mayor Kinnaird stated that she feels Carrboro Day is a good thing. Citizens take pride in and identify with the Fourth of July, with the Farmers' Market and with the ArtsCenter.

Alderman Gist stated that the Board spends a lot of time nurturing physical tasks such as dealing with the zoning ordinance, budget, and infrastructure. It is equally the Board's responsibility to nurture the less tangible parts of what makes us a community and to encourage community building activities. It is definitely the Board's responsibility to nurture the spirit of our community so that we don't become just a set of zoning ordinances and a set of budget amendments. Alderman Gist stated that she was in favor of a subcommittee of the Board (with some other input) that could spend some time looking at the information contained in the article by John Gardner.

Alderman Caldwell questioned whether Carrboro needs community building and was Mr. Gardner's article modeled from a larger city.

Alderman Bryan stated that the building pressure from the Raleigh-Durham area will impact smaller towns and his support for regionalism is based in part on whether or not we can find ways to preserve communities. We need to look at more ways to cooperate with Chapel Hill and Orange County because there is less money and less land.

Alderman Marshall stated that he was not resisting the idea of building community, but his own personal support will increase as support builds. Alderman Marshall stated he was certainly in favor of appointing a subcommittee of the Board to look into this matter.

Alderman Shetley stated that there are many groups who have their own community in Carrboro. People who have lived here all their lives and their ancestors lived here have a community all their own. There are so many times when these people are left out and not included, maybe because they don't want to be or don't feel part of the group. Possibly the town's standing committees could reach out to include these people. Alderman Shetley suggested that the town might want to use the whistle that once was located on top of Carr Mill to blow in case of an emergency.

It was the consensus of the Board to appoint Alderman Bryan, Gist and Shetley to serve as a sub-committee to summarize the Board's comments and the

information in Mr. Gardner's article and make a proposal as to how to ~~3~~⁵ better build community within the town.

AMENDMENT TO TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

MOTION WAS MADE BY FRANCES SHETLEY AND SECONDED BY HILLIARD CALDWELL THAT THE 1993-94 TIP BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

- A. THAT #1 BE REVISED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: "WIDEN HILLSBOROUGH ROAD TO 36 FEET WITH CURB AND GUTTER, BIKELANES AND A SIDEWALK FROM WHERE THE U-2002 PROJECT ENDS [LORRAINE STREET TO THE INTERSECTION OF OLD FAYETTEVILLE ROAD (SR 1009)], AND ALONG THE NORTHERN PORTION OF OLD FAYETTEVILLE ROAD TO TIE IN WITH IMPROVEMENTS BEING MADE AS PART OF THE NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL.
- B. UNDER BICYCLE PROGRAM (URBAN), SWITCH THE ORDER OF #2 (CONSTRUCT A BIKE PATH AROUND CARR MILL MALL TO GET BICYCLISTS FROM NORTH GREENSBORO STREET TO THE INTERSECTION OF WEAVER/MAIN/ROBERSON WHERE THE LIBBA COTTON BIKE PATH BEGINS.) WITH #4 (CONSTRUCT A BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN PATH FROM THE INTERSECTION OF ESTES DRIVE AND NORTH GREENSBORO STREET TO ELM STREET.)

VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE FIVE, NEGATIVE ONE (GIST)

The Board also requested that the Mayor forward a letter to N.C. DOT requesting that the study of the safest route for the Carr Mill bike path be completed as soon as possible and requesting that a representative from N.C. DOT appear before Board of Aldermen to explain the situation involved in this study.

CHANGES IN RECYCLING

Alderman Marshall requested that the town staff place an item on the next Noteboard explaining the new provisions dealing with recycling of plastics and steel and tin cans.

DISCREPANCY IN TAX VALUES

Alderman Bryan requested that the town staff check with the Orange County Tax Office on discrepancies in tax values listed on notices mailed out in December, 1992 and on tax listing forms mailed out in January, 1993.

ELECTRIC CITY

Mayor Kinnaird stated that Irv Watkins had suggested that Carrboro might wish to consider becoming an electric city. Mr. Morgan stated that he would check into the possibility of Carrboro becoming an electric city.

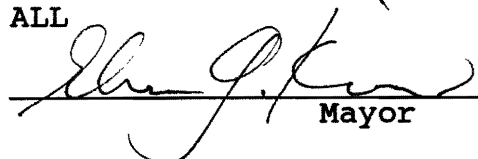
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT GOALS

It was a consensus of the Board to request the Agenda Planning Committee schedule discussion of the solid waste management goals.

DISCUSSION OF HILLSBOROUGH WATER LINE

It was a consensus of the Board to request the Agenda Planning Committee schedule discussion of the Hillsborough water line.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JAY BRYAN AND SECONDED BY RANDY MARSHALL THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 9:53 P.M. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL



Mayor

Town Clerk