

A regular meeting of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen was held on Tuesday, January 5, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room.

Present and presiding:

Mayor	Michael Nelson
Aldermen	Hilliard Caldwell
	Jacquelyn Gist
	Diana McDuffee
	Allen Spalt
	Alex Zaffron
Town Manager	Robert W. Morgan
Town Clerk	Sarah C. Williamson
Town Attorney	William Morgan for Michael B. Brough

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALEX ZAFFRON AND SECONDED BY DIANA MCDUFFEE TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 16, 1998 MINUTES. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

AWARD OF BID FOR PURCHASE OF REFUSE TRUCK

The purpose of this item is to award the bid for the purchase of one (1) cab and chassis front loader refuse truck. The administration recommends that the bid be awarded to Lodal-South for a total of \$128,901.

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALEX ZAFFRON AND SECONDED BY DIANA MCDUFFEE TO AWARD THE BID TO LODAL-SOUTH FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$128,901. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

PUBLIC HEARING/COMMUNITY NEEDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1999-2000

This public hearing was designed to solicit citizen comments on town operations for consideration in the town's development of the Fiscal Year 1999-2000 operating budget and capital improvements plan.

David Collins, a resident of Carrboro, questioned what the tax base would be for the northern study area and what the cost of services to this area would be. Mr. Collins stated that he feels the town cannot at the current time afford to meet the required fire service based on the new federal mandate. Mr. Collins stated that the tax rate should be increased to provide service to the northern study area upfront. Mr. Collins suggested that the budget be cut to remove non-essential services.

Alderman Spalt suggested that this public hearing be continued at the end of January to allow for further public comment.

Mr. Morgan stated that the Town Manager's office would be receiving citizen comments through the month of January.

Alderman McDuffee requested that a list of unfunded items requested by citizens in the past year be given to the Board.

ADOPTION OF 1999-2000 MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The purpose of this item was for the Board of Aldermen to approve the Town of Carrboro’s Transportation Improvement Program, and to comment on the Draft State TIP.

Kenneth Withrow, the town’s Transportation Planner, presented the proposed 1999-2000 Carrboro Municipal Transportation Improvement Program. Mr. Withrow stated that the Transportation Advisory Board had approved this proposed TIP.

Alderman Spalt requested that NC 54 Bypass be changed to NC 54.

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALEX ZAFFRON AND SECONDED BY DIANA MCDUFFEE TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING TIP FOR THE TOWN OF CARRBORO:

1999 –2000 CARRBORO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM					
CARRBORO		DCHC URBANIZED AREA		NCDOT STIP(DRAFT)	
Proj#	Description	Proj #	Description	Proj #	Description
1	Construct a bicycle path between Rand Road and Wesley Street on a new location.	E-15	Roberson Place (Old Mill Village) Bikepath between Rand Rd & Wesley St.	E-4008	Roberson Place Bikepath: Rand Rd to Wesley St. Construct Bicycle Path.
2	Widen Estes Drive to three lanes for the Carrboro town limits to North Greensboro Street, and include bikelanes and a right turn lane.	H-8	Estes Drive widening from NC 86 to Greensboro Street in Carrboro.	U-2909	SR 1780 (Estes Drive). SR 1772 (Greensboro Street) to NC 86. Widen roadway to three-foot lanes with four-foot paved shoulders.
3	Widen Highway Old NC 86 to 36 feet with curb and gutter, bikelanes, and a sidewalk for the intersection of Old Fayetteville/Hillsborough Road to Homestead Road (Calvander Area).	H-20	Old NC 86 bicycle and pedestrian project.		
4	Widen Homestead Road to a two-lane section with a 16-foot grassed median between High School Road and Old NC 86. Widen shoulders 4 feet and mark for bikelanes.				
5	Widen Seawell School Road to include a four-foot shoulder section for bikelanes between Homestead Road and Estes Drive.				
6	Widen Eubanks Road between Highway Old NC 86 to Rogers Road to include a four-foot shoulder section for bikelanes.				
7	Construct a				

	Homestead/Seawell School Road connector to 36 feet with curb and gutter, bikelanes, and a sidewalk on a new location.				
8	Improve the intersection of NC 54 and West Main Street to improve pedestrian bicycle access to Carrboro Plaza.				
9	Provide pedestrian and bicycle access from BPW Club Road area to Westbrook Drive by building a pedestrian/ bicycle bridge over Morgan Creek behind the Bluffs Apartments.				
10	Construct a bicycle path between Old Fayetteville Road and Willow Creek Shopping Center on a new location.				

VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

WORKSESSION/REVIEW OF FACILITATED SMALL AREA PLAN FOR NORTHERN STUDY AREA AND IMPLEMENTATION ORDINANCE

Trish McGuire, the town’s planner, reviewed the staff’s analysis of issues associated with the ordinance that has been drafted to implement the Facilitated Small Area Plan for Carrboro’s Northern Study Area.

Following the receipt of public comments at the hearing on December 16, the Board of Aldermen discussed the draft ordinance. The Board had decided to delay their vote until the Board of County Commissioners had completed their review but requested that staff provide additional information on several issues to be discussed at a regular meeting on January 5, 1999. These issues are: the need for floating zones, the number of “villages” possible in the study area, the number of office/assembly developments possible in the study area, the implications of Barry Jacobs’ proposal and the revisions to the stormwater regulations. The Board requested that the Ordinance Drafting Committee participate in a discussion to develop a response to Commissioner Jacobs’ proposal. Members of the planning staff have contacted the ODC members and invited them to tonight’s meeting.

Aldermen Spalt requested information on the impact of density on the number of school children generated, the tax impact, traffic generated, and associated impacts.

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALEX ZAFFRON AND SECONDED BY ALLEN SPALT TO ADD LANGUAGE TO THE DEFINITION OF THE VILLAGE MIXED USE DISTRICT IN THE DRAFT ORDINANCE TO LIMIT THE TOTAL GROSS ACREAGE ALLOWED FOR VILLAGES TO 350 GROSS ACRES AND TO LIMIT THE TOTAL NUMBER OF VILLAGES TO NO MORE THAN THREE. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALEX ZAFFRON AND SECONDED BY DIANA MCDUFFEE THAT THE DEFINITION OF THE O/A DISTRICT IN THE DRAFT ORDINANCE BE AMENDED TO SPECIFY THAT THESE DISTRICTS SHALL COMPRISE NO MORE THAN 25 ACRES AND THE TOTAL NUMBER OF DISTRICTS SHALL BE LIMITED TO NO MORE THAN FIVE. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE FIVE, NEGATIVE ONE (NELSON)

It was the consensus of the Board to relay to the county commissioners that the participants in the facilitated process agreed that there was support for the concept of floating zones, but the town staff conducted a suitability analysis that identified three general areas where village development could possibly occur. In addition, the Board wishes to reiterate that the office assembly use districts would only be approved in accordance with the good neighbor performance standards included in the draft ordinance.

It was the consensus of the Board that the joint planning agreement resolution amendment be modified to reflect Commissioner Jacob's proposed condition: "That until Transition Area I reaches the 75 percent build-out stipulated in the Joint Planning agreement, the Board of County Commissioners retains with the Carrboro Board of Aldermen the right to approve "floating" conditional use zoning districts on properties located entirely in Transition Area II."

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALEX ZAFFRON TO CHANGE THE DEFINITION OF THE 75 PERCENT BUILDING OUT LEVEL INCLUDED IN MIKE BROUGH'S PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE JOINT PLANNING AGREEMENT RESOLUTION FROM ONE ACRE TO FIVE ACRES. MOTION DIED FOR THE LACK OF A SECOND.

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALLEN SPALT AND SECONDED BY ALEX ZAFFRON TO CHANGE THE DEFINITION OF THE 75 PERCENT BUILDING OUT LEVEL INCLUDED IN MIKE BROUGH'S PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE JOINT PLANNING AGREEMENT RESOLUTION FROM ONE ACRE TO TWO ACRES. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE TWO, NEGATIVE FOUR (CALDWELL, NELSON, MCDUFFEE, GIST)

Mayor Nelson requested that the town staff prepare a draft of the letter to the county commissioners for the Board's review with copies to the Ordinance Drafting Committee.

Mr. Morgan stated that this letter would be placed on the January 12th agenda for the Board's approval.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR 1999 PLANNING RETREAT

The purpose of this item was to review the agenda for the 1999 Planning Retreat.

Alderman Gist stated that she would not be able to attend the Sunday portion of the Retreat due to a family commitment.

MOTION WAS MADE BY HILLIARD CALDWELL AND SECONDED BY JACQUELYN GIST TO APPROVE THE RETREAT AGENDA AS PROPOSED. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

APPOINTMENT TO N.C. COALITION FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

MOTION WAS MADE BY HILLIARD CALDWELL AND SECONDED BY DIANA MCDUFFEE TO APPOINT ALEX ZAFFRON TO SERVE AS THE TOWN'S REPRESENTATIVE ON THE N.C. COALITION FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

DISCUSSION PAPER ON JORDAN LAKE WATER SUPPLY OPTIONS FOR OWASA

Mayor Nelson requested that the Agenda Planning Committee schedule a Board discussion of this matter.

LOG ALTERNATIVE FINANCING COMMITTEE REPORT/AVAILABILITY FEES AND OTHER FINANCING MECHANISMS FOR SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

Mayor Nelson requested that the Agenda Planning Committee schedule a Board discussion of this matter.

RENOVATIONS TO CARRBORO COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING

Alderman McDuffee requested weekly status reports on this matter.

PROBLEMS WITH TELECASTING BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETINGS

Alderman McDuffee requested that in the future when there are problems the town staff is aware of relating to telecasting of the Board's meetings, that the Board be made aware of those problems.

ATTACHMENTS FOR BOARD OF ALDERMEN AGENDA ITEMS

Alderman McDuffee requested that any attachments for agenda items be clearly labeled indicating their contents.

STATUS REPORT ON NEGOTIATIONS WITH TIME WARNER

Alderman Zaffron requested a status report on franchise negotiations with Time Warner.

HOUSING DIVERSITY ORDINANCE

Alderman Zaffron requested a status report on this ordinance.

EMPLOYMENT QUARTERLY REPORT

Alderman Zaffron requested that the Employment Quarterly Report not include names of employees.

STATUS REPORT ON LEAF COLLECTION

Alderman Caldwell asked for a status report on leaf collection.

ORANGE COUNTY WATER AND SEWER SERVICE AREA BOUNDARY TASK FORCE

MOTION WAS MADE BY JACQUELYN GIST AND SECONDED BY HILLIARD CALDWELL TO APPOINT ALLEN SPALT TO SERVE AS THE TOWN'S REPRESENTATIVE ON THE ORANGE COUNTY WATER AND SEWER SERVICE AREA BOUNDARY TASK FORCE. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION WAS MADE BY JACQUELYN GIST AND SECONDED BY HILLIARD CALDWELL TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION AT 10:33 P.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF EVALUATING THE TOWN CLERK. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

MOTION WAS MADE BY JACQUELYN GIST AND SECONDED BY HILLIARD CALDWELL TO GO BACK INTO OPEN SESSION. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

MERIT INCREASE/TOWN CLERK

MOTION WAS MADE BY HILLIARD CALDWELL AND SECONDED BY ALLEN SPALT TO GRANT THE TOWN CLERK A 2 ½% MERIT INCREASE, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 5, 1999. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

MOTION WAS MADE BY JACQUELYN GIST AND SECONDED BY HILLIARD CALDWELL TO ADJOURN AT 10:45 P.M. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

Town Clerk

Mayor