

A regular meeting of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen was held on Tuesday, September 21, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room.

Present and presiding:

Mayor	Michael R. Nelson
Aldermen	Joal Hall Broun
	Mark Chilton
	John Herrera
	Diana McDuffee
	Alex Zaffron
Town Manager	Steven E. Stewart
Town Attorney	Michael B. Brough
Deputy Town Clerk	Sharmin E. Mirman

Absent:

Alderman	Jacquelyn Gist
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### **REQUEST TO MOVE GRAVES**

Mr. Boscoe Fulcher addressed the Board. He is seeking permission to disinter 2 burials located off Guthrie Avenue. He stated that his efforts to locate the next of kin have been unsuccessful and therefore he is trying to get permission from the Board to move the graves. He provided them with a packet detailing his extensive research.

Mayor Nelson stated that Mr. Fulcher was very thorough and requested that he contact Ms. Ruth Stroud and get back in touch with the Board after doing so.

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### **RELOCATION OF HOMELESS SHELTER**

Rebecca Clark addressed the Board. She requested that the shelter not be put in a residential neighborhood. She cautioned about it being put near a school, Manley Estate, etc. She stated that she is not against the shelter, but against the proposed location.

George Sanford addressed the Board. He stated that he lives on Roberts Street and does not want the shelter there. He stated that he is concerned about the elderly people and single women who are struggling and trying to raise their children. He stated that his neighborhood has been a safe neighborhood for 30 years.

Virginia Barbee addressed the Board. She stated that Pine Knolls has fought against drugs for years and that the town and police have not been able to keep the drugs out. She knows the police cannot do it all and that there needs to be help from the citizens. She said that we all need to figure out something and work together but we do not need the shelter. There are problems with children becoming drug addicts and alcoholics. She said their community was the first to be hit with drugs and when they started to fight back, they were the bad people. When they fight the shelter, they are considered bad. She said if the Board lets the shelter be there, those people would be right here. The town does not need this burden.

Mayor Nelson stated that it is early in the discussion and it would be prudent not to say too much at this point. He stated that he is concerned about the process/task force set up by the governing body in the next town and how they decided to move the shelter/soup kitchen to a different town. It is best to be thoughtful in how we move through this process and find solutions that work for the whole community. He said that there are serious and very valid programming issues with the shelter and they need to be addressed.

Alderman Zaffron stated that it is unfortunate that residents are criticized for objecting to the shelter being located in their neighborhood.

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**MUSIC FESTIVAL AND CYBRARY**

Mayor Nelson reminded everyone about the Carrboro Music Festival scheduled for this weekend. He encouraged people to visit the new library at the Century Center and thanked the County Commissioners for their help.

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**CAR FREE DAY**

Alderman Zaffron reminded people about Car Free Day scheduled for September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN ALEX ZAFFRON AND SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MARK CHILTON TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 7 AND 14, 2004 MINUTES. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

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**APPOINTMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD**

The purpose of this item was for the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to consider appointing Terri Buckner to the Environmental Advisory Board.

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman Alex Zaffron and duly seconded by Alderman Mark Chilton.

A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPOINTMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD  
Resolution No. 23/2004-05

WHEREAS, there are currently two (2) vacant seats on the Environmental Advisory Board (EAB); and

WHEREAS, these positions have been advertised and Terri Buckner has submitted an application; and

WHEREAS, the Chair of the EAB is recommending that Ms. Buckner be appointed to one of the vacant seats on the EAB.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CARRBORO RESOLVES:

Section 1. The Board of Aldermen hereby appoints Terri Buckner to a seat on the Environmental Advisory Board. Ms. Buckner's term shall expire in February 2005.

Section 2. 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 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2004:

Ayes: Joal Hall Broun, Mark Chilton, John Herrera, Diana McDuffee, Michael Nelson, Alex Zaffron

Noes: None

Absent or Excused: Jacquelyn Gist

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**REQUEST TO CANCEL BOARD MEETINGS**

The town staff requested that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen consider adopting a resolution that would cancel the November 2<sup>nd</sup> and November 23<sup>rd</sup> meetings of the Board of Aldermen.

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman Alex Zaffron and duly seconded by Alderman Mark Chilton.

A RESOLUTION CANCELING THE NOVEMBER 2 AND 23, 2004  
CARRBORO BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETINGS  
Resolution No. 24/2004-05

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN OF CARRBORO BOARD OF ALDERMEN:

Section 1. The Board hereby cancels its regular meetings scheduled for November 2 and November 23, 2004.

Section 2. 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 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2004:

Ayes: Joal Hall Broun, Mark Chilton, John Herrera, Diana McDuffee, Michael Nelson, Alex Zaffron

Noes: None

Absent or Excused: Jacquelyn Gist

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**TOWN CODE AMENDMENT: PARKING ON MERRITT MILL ROAD**

Town staff has prepared amendments to the Town Code related to on-street parking on a portion of Merritt Mill Road. Staff recommended that the Board of Aldermen adopt the ordinance amending the Town Code.

Alderman Joal Broun asked to be excused from item 4 (because she is a member of the requesting petitioners and is also on the Board of Trustees).

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN MARK CHILTON AND SECONDED BY ALDERMAN DIANNA MCDUFFEE TO EXCUSE ALDERMAN JOAL BROUN FROM VOTING ON THIS MATTER.  
VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN ALEX ZAFFRON AND SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MARK CHILTON TO ADOPT THE ORDINANCE ENTITLED, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6 OF THE CARRBORO TOWN CODE RELATED TO PARKING ON MERRITT MILL ROAD." VOTE:  
AFFIRMATIVE: FIVE, EXCUSED: ONE (BROUN), ABSENT: ONE (GIST)

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**UPDATE ON WIRELESS IMPLEMENTATION PLANS**

The purpose of this agenda item was to inform the Board of Aldermen on the next steps in the ongoing expansion of wireless implementation (the tocwireless.net project). The adopted budget sets aside \$5,000 to continue the work begun in creating a wireless downtown area. Other efforts include improvements to the Town’s internal technology creating wireless access points for departments including the Police Department and the Planning Department.

Andy Vogel, the Town’s IT Manager, made a presentation to the Board that illustrated his progress with cutting edge technology and plans for expansion in the upcoming year.

Mayor Nelson said that he loves this and thanked Andy for all his efforts.

Alderman McDuffee said that Andy has done a great job in staying ahead of the technology and that he has taken the town further than we thought we could go for less money.

Alderman Zaffron concurred that Andy has stayed ahead of the technology and has done so much.

Alderman McDuffee credited Bing Roenigk for supporting this project.

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman Alex Zaffron and duly seconded by Alderman Mark Chilton.

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A STATUS REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION PLANS FOR  
WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY IN THE TOWN OF CARRBORO  
Resolution No. 26/2004-05**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CARRBORO:**

WHEREAS, the Carrboro Board of Aldermen promotes wireless technology and has supported ongoing implementation efforts within the Town’s budget, and;

WHEREAS, staff has prepared a report updating the Board on its wireless implementation plans.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Carrboro Board of Aldermen that the Aldermen accept the report on wireless implementation plans for the current and upcoming fiscal year.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, received the following vote and was duly adopted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2004:

Ayes: Joal Hall Broun, Mark Chilton, John Herrera, Diana McDuffee, Michael Nelson, Alex Zaffron

Noes: None

Absent or Excused: Jacquelyn Gist

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**ASSEMBLY OF GOVERNMENTS**

Steve Stewart reminded the Board of the Assembly of Governments meeting scheduled for September 29<sup>th</sup>.

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**EVALUATION OF TOWN MANAGER**

Mayor Nelson mentioned the evaluation form for Steve Stewart that is due next week.

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**BUILDING MORATORIUM IN B-1(F) ZONE**

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALEX ZAFFRON AND SECONDED BY MARK CHILTON TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR OCTOBER 26, 2004 ON AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A 60-DAY NEW CONSTRUCTION MORATORIUM FOR SPECIAL AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENTS IN THE PROPOSED B-1(F) ZONING DISTRICT, AND THAT ZONING PERMITS BE ELEVATED TO SPECIAL USE PERMITS OR CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS AT STAFF'S DISCRETION. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (GIST)

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**FUNDING FOR CENTER FOR UNIVERSAL DESIGN**

Alderman Mark Chilton said a Carrboro resident was concerned about a federal effort to eliminate funding for the Center for Universal Design in Raleigh, NC, which advocates and develops building standards for handicap accessibility.

The Board requested that the Mayor write a letter of support of continued funding.

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MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN JOAL BROUN AND SECONDED BY ALDERMAN ALEX ZAFFRON TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:45 P.M. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (GIST)

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Mayor

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Deputy Town Clerk