A worksession of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen was held on Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room.

Present and presiding:

Mayor Pro Tem	John Herrera
Aldermen	Dan Coleman
	Lydia Lavelle
	Joal Hall Broun
	Jacquelyn Gist
	Randee Haven-O'Donnell (arrived at 8:03 p.m.)
Town Manager	Steve Stewart
Town Attorney	Michael Brough
Deputy Town Clerk	Sharmin Mirman

Absent:

Mayor

Mark Chilton

REPORT FROM OWASA ON PROPOSED CHANGES IN WATER CONSERVATION STANDARDS

The purpose of this agenda item was for the Board of Aldermen to consider a report from the Orange Water and Sewer Authority (OWASA) on their proposed water conservation standards.

Ed Kerwin, Executive Director of OWASA, made a PowerPoint presentation to the Board of Aldermen on the history leading up to the proposed changes in water conservation standards.

Al Reiner, Chair of the OWASA Board of Directors, spoke about the reclaimed water project and discussed the proposed water conservation revisions.

(Alderman Haven-O'Donnell arrived at the meeting.)

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman Dan Coleman and duly seconded by Alderman Lydia Lavelle.

A RESOLUTION RECEIVING A REPORT FROM OWASA ON PROPOSED CHANGES IN WATER CONSERVATION STANDARDS Resolution No. 82/2008-09

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

Section 1. The Board of Aldermen hereby accepts the report from OWASA on proposed changes in water conservation standards.

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 10th day of March 2009:

Ayes: Dan Coleman, Lydia Lavelle, John Herrera, Joal Hall Broun, Jacquelyn Gist, Randee Haven-O'Donnell

Noes: None

AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT TRANSPORTATION FUNDS

Mr. Stewart stated that Adena Messinger, the town's Transportation Planner had prepared a memorandum on ARRA STP-DA funds being distributed to the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization. Carrboro would be allocated \$403,596.00 and the town staff has identified the following projects that would meet the requirements for use of the funds:

Ashe Street sidewalk (\$155,200) Bim Street sidewalk (\$200,100) Transit bus shelters (\$48,296.00

Pine Street (\$232,500) and Davie Road (\$264,500) sidewalks (contingency projects)

RETREAT FOLLOW-UP

The purpose of this agenda item was for the Board of Aldermen to consider a report from Town staff regarding the list of "potential action items" identified during the February 2, 2009 Board Retreat.

Bing Roenigk, the town's Assistant Town Manager, made a presentation on options for local preferential purchasing and moving assets to locally-owned banks and/or credit unions.

Alderman Gist asked that the effort be strengthened to encourage employees to make procurement card purchases in Orange County if possible.

Alderman Coleman asked that employees give feedback to local vendors to carry needed products. He also asked about seeking special legislation to authorize preference for local bidders.

Alderman Gist expressed her desire for the town to use a small local bank and expressed interest in allowing the credit union to be a town depository.

Aldermen Haven-O'Donnell and Herrera expressed interest in having the credit union to be a local depository.

MOTION WAS MADE BY DAN COLEMAN AND SECONDED BY RANDEE HAVEN-O'DONNELL THAT FUTURE BANKING PROPOSALS SHOUD SEEK MORE INFORMATION ON THE BANK'S INVOLVEMENT IN THE COMMUNITY AS A LENDER TO BOTH BUSINESSES AND RESIDENTS. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (CHILTON)

Alderman Coleman asked for a progress report on the green jobs initiative and asked whether Carrboro could have a bond issue for energy improvements for public buildings.

Alderman Gist asked that nonprofits be notified within a week of Board action on budget allocations. She also asked that the Baldwin Park community garden be re-established.

Alderman Lavelle expressed her desire to see the re-assessment of commercial usage in northern Carrboro come to the Board of Aldermen sooner than later.

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman Randee Haven-O'Connell and duly seconded by Alderman Dan Coleman.

A RESOLUTION RECEIVING THE FOLLOW-UP REPORT FOR THE FEBRUARY 2, 2009 BOARD OF ALDERMEN PLANNING RETREAT Resolution No. 81/2008-09

WHEREAS, the Carrboro Board of Aldermen held a Board Retreat on February 2, 2009 for the purpose of discussing the state of the economy and the effect the economy was having on the Town of Carrboro; and

WHEREAS, during the retreat the Board of Aldermen the aldermen identified a number of potential action items for staff to review and present to the Board at a future worksession; and

WHEREAS, staff has reviewed the potential action items and provided a response to many of the items; and

WHEREAS, a report has been prepared for the Board containing staff response to the potential action items as identified during the Board Retreat.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Carrboro Board of Aldermen that the follow-up report was received on March 10, 2009 on the potential action items identified during the February 2, 2009 Board Retreat.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote received the following vote and was duly adopted this 10^{th} day of March 2009:

Ayes: Dan Coleman, Lydia Lavelle, John Herrera, Joal Hall Broun, Jacquelyn Gist, Randee Haven-O'Donnell

Noes: None

Absent or Excused: Mark Chilton

MOTION WAS MADE BY JACQUELYN GIST AND SECONDED BY JOAL HALL BROUN TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:04 P.M. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (CHILTON)

Mayor Pro Tem

Deputy Town Clerk