

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF WALKERTOWN TOWN COUNCIL JULY 23, 2020

@ 7:00 P.M.: WALKERTOWN TOWN CENTER PARK

Mayor Doc Davis **called the meeting to order** at 7:00 p.m. Present were the Mayor, Council Members Vernon Brown, Wesley Hutchins, Peggy Leight and Marilyn Martin, Town Manager Scott Snow, Town Clerk Rusty Sawyer.

Also attending, from Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Planning, Project Planner Gary Roberts.

The Invocation was given by Mayor Davis.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Wesley Hutchins.

THE AGENDA WAS APPROVED AS WRITTEN BY MOTION MADE BY PEGGY LEIGHT AND SECONDED BY MARILYN MARTIN.
THE VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS.
(BROWN, HUTCHINS, LEIGHT, MARTIN)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• June 25, 2020

THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY MOTION MADE BY PEGGY LEIGHT AND SECONDED BY MARILYN MARTIN. (BROWN, HUTCHINS, LEIGHT, MARTIN)

PUBLIC SESSION

THIS SESSION IS FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY AND IS LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER. WHEN SPEAKING TO ANY ITEM, PLEASE RESTRICT YOUR REMARKS TO THE SUBJECT AT HAND.

Mayor Davis opens the **Public Session** @ 7:03. With no speakers coming forward the Mayor closes the **Public Session** @ 7:04.

BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:

1. Request to amend the Official Zoning Maps for the subject property 4405 Poindexter Street (future) for Special Use rezoning from LO-S (Two-Phase) to LO-S

Mayor Davis introduces Gary Roberts from Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Planning.

Gray: The Public Hearing is WA-064, a Special Use rezoning request from LO-S (Two-Phase) to LO-S (Limited Office – Special Use). The petitioner is requesting the following uses: Veterinary Services; Kennel, Indoor; Offices; Museum or Art Gallery; Police or Fire Station; Recreation Facility, Public;

Child Day Care Center; and Government Offices, Neighborhood Organization, or Post Office.

(Gary's PowerPoint: GMA 3 map, zoning map, aerial view, Area Plan map, Site Plan with elevations.)

The 1.45 acre site is located at the Northeast corner of Poindexter Street and Rocky Branch Road. The site has been zoned LO-S since 2002. Because the proposed impervious coverage is less than 24 percent, SIDA is not required. The proposed site plan shows a single access drive from Poindexter Street. Existing sidewalks along Poindexter Street and Rocky Branch Road currently terminate at the edges of the site. Sidewalks will be continued along both street frontages and street trees on Poindexter. LO-S zoning will generate a minimal 70 trips per day. There will be no outside dog runs.

We did receive a letter in opposition to the zoning from a neighbor. Council members have a copy of that letter.

The Planning Board recommended approval on July 7th.

STAFF RECOMMENDS APPROVAL

(For more information visit www.cityofws.org/planning)

Doc: Any questions from Council?

Peggy: The site plan shows sidewalks on Poindexter. Is that with curb and gutter?

Gary: Yes.

Peggy: I see sidewalks on Rocky Branch but no curb and gutter.

Gary: DOT didn't request them.

With no other questions from the Council, the **Public Hearing** is opened by Mayor Davis @ 7:11 to those wishing to speak For or Against *WA-064*.

Doc: Gary mentioned a letter in opposition to the zoning from a neighbor. (the mayor reads the letter)

Scott: The uses she mentioned dropping are already in the current zoning.

Mr. Fox: She says dogs are getting loose from a kennel. She means a neighbors dogs are getting loose. There is no kennel near her. DOT sent out letters several years ago to businesses along HWY 66 saying the road would be widened.

Peggy: Mr. Fox, new letters from DOT have gone out suspending work on Old Hollow Road.

Mr. Fox: Correct. However, I am moving forward with my plans to build. No start date yet.

Shawn Rainey: My name is Shawn Rainey and I am speaking in favor of WA-064. I represent the Design/Build firm of "Blue Frog" located in Georgia. I design veterinary and medical offices. We know neighbors are concerned about noise. The outside area is small, 2 to 3 dogs on leashes with handlers max. It is surrounded with a wooden privacy fence that pets can't see

through. This cuts down on barking. The building itself has sound abatement.

With no other speakers coming forward, the **Public Hearing** is closed by Mayor Davis @ 7:20.

Doc: Comments from Council? NO.

Do I have a motion?

MOTION: TO APPROVE WA-064 A REQUEST TO AMEND THE

OFFICIAL ZONING MAPS FOR THE SUBJECT PROPERTY 4405 POINDEXTER STREET (FUTURE) FOR SPECIAL USE

REZONING FROM LO-S (TWO-PHASE) TO LO-S.

BY: PEGGY LEIGHT SECOND: VERNON BROWN

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

(BROWN, HUTCHINS, LEIGHT, MARTIN)

2. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JULY, 2020

Doc: We have almost completed the first month of the new year. Unrestricted Funds @ \$4,118,594.49 and Restricted Funds @\$774,071.87 for a Grand Total Fund Balance of \$4,892,666.36.

MOTION: TO APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR JULY.

2020 AS PRESENTED

BY: PEGGY LEIGHT SECOND: MARILYN MARTIN

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

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Mayor Davis opens the **PUBLIC SESSION** at 7:24.

With no speaker coming forward the Mayor closes the **PUBLIC SESSION** @7:24.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: TO ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING AT 7:24 P.M.

BY: MARILYN MARTIN SECOND: VERNON BROWN

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

(BROWN, HUTCHINS, LEIGHT, MARTIN)

ANOUNCEMENTS:

RECYCLING SCHEDULE - every other week

AUGUST-2020

 $\frac{\text{ROUTE A} - 3^{\text{RD}}, \ 17^{\text{th}} \ \& \ 31^{\text{st}}}{\text{ROUTE B} - 10^{\text{th}} \ \& \ 24^{\text{th}}}$

Submitted by: Rusty Sawyer Town Clerk

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