

MINUTES OF
CITY OF CREEDMOOR
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING
OCTOBER 2, 2018
6 P.M.

PRESENT

Mayor Bobby Wheeler, Mayor Pro Tem Archer Wilkins, Commissioner Del Mims, Commissioner Herman Wilkerson, Commissioner Neena Nowell, Commissioner Ernie Anderson. Also present were City Manager Michael P. Bonfield, Assistant City Manager/HR Director Korena Weichel, Finance Director Jami Crampton, Public Works Director Daniel Snipes, Community Development Director Mike Frangos, Police Chief Keith King, City Clerk Kathleen McCorkle, and Attorney T.C. Morphis Jr.

ABSENT

None.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bobby Wheeler called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Commissioner Anderson offered the invocation. Commissioner Wilkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll call by the clerk determined a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Wilkins; seconded by Commissioner Anderson to approve the agenda. The motion received a 5-0 vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of Minutes – September 4, 2018
- b. Resolution 2018-R-17 – Allowing Vendor Beer Sales at Rescheduled 2018 Creedmoor Music Festival
- c. Authorize Mayor Wheeler to Execute PARTF Grant Agreement

Moved by Commissioner Anderson to approve the consent agenda; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wilkins. The motion received a 5-0 vote.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Wheeler presented to Creedmoor Volunteer Fire Department Chief Billy Fisher a proclamation commemorating Fire Prevention Week.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ed Gleason, 1973 Bowles Avenue, Creedmoor

Mr. Gleason spoke in support of the city manager.

Amor Agdeppa, 815 N. Main Street, Creedmoor

Spoke regarding growth in Creedmoor and his dissatisfaction with the looks of Main Street.

Eric Scott, 708 Stem Road, Creedmoor

Mr. Scott spoke against the false alarm ordinance.

Ed Mims, 2204 Regent Court, Creedmoor
Mr. Mims spoke in support of the city manager.

CONSIDERATION OF COMMISSIONER ANDERSON'S MOTION TO TERMINATE CITY MANAGER

Commissioner Anderson moved that we terminate Mr. Bonfield's agreement and in the interim bring in Korena to fill in; seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson.

Upon request by Mayor Wheeler, Commissioner Wilkerson, Commissioner Anderson, and Mayor Pro Tem Wilkins declined to provide reasoning for the action. Commissioners Nowell and Mims provided lengthy opinions against the action to terminate the city manager. Mayor Wheeler also spoke at length against the action.

When asked for his comments, City Manager Mike Bonfield stated he understands the instability that comes with the job and if the decision is made to terminate him he was thankful to the city for the opportunity, and he acknowledged the support and professionalism of the staff members who served with him.

Mayor Wheeler read a statement supporting the city manager provided by former mayor Darryl Moss, who was unable to attend the meeting.

Upon request for a roll call by the clerk the motion received the following vote:

Commissioner Anderson: Yes
Commissioner Mims: No
Commissioner Nowell: No
Commissioner Wilkerson: Yes
Commissioner Wilkins: Yes

Following the vote, Mayor Wheeler left the dais and asked Mayor Pro Tem Wilkins to restate the board action to terminate Mr. Bonfield.

Mayor Wheeler then called a 10-minute recess.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Upon return from recess, Mayor Wheeler noted that the manager's written report is included in the board packet.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Mayor Pro Tem Wilkins offered no report.

Commissioner Mims provided a reminder that the Bells Across America service on October 7 was canceled, and that flu shots are available.

Commissioner Nowell reported on her attendance at the CAMPO meeting.

Commissioner Anderson offered no report.

Commissioner Wilkerson remarked about SGWASA sewer lines. He also requested the city look into closing Main Street farther south to Church Street for Halloween trick-or-treating. Mayor Wheeler said he would speak with the manager of the BP station about the inconvenience of closing for two hours. Chief Keith King noted he would not be able to provide coverage over the extended area.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Wheeler spoke of the Falls Lake Academy tour of city hall and mock board meeting. He also attended Mt. Vernon missionary church law enforcement day.

CLOSED SESSION

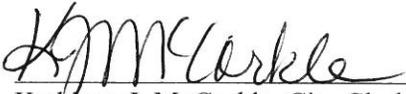
Commissioner Wilkerson moved to enter closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(5) Property Acquisition; (3) Attorney Client Privilege; and (5) Personnel Matters; seconded by Commissioner Nowell. The motion received a 5-0 vote.

Upon return from closed session, Commissioner Anderson requested a report regarding the Lake Rogers Project, which was provided by Interim City Manager Korena Weichel.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Commissioner Wilkerson. The motion received a 5-0 vote and the meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m.


Robert V. Wheeler, Mayor

ATTEST:


Kathleen J. McCorkle, City Clerk

