

SHALLOTTE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

REGULAR MEETING

April 4, 2023

5:15 P.M.

The Shallotte Board of Aldermen met for a regular meeting on April 4, 2023 at 5:15 p.m. in the meeting chambers located at 110 Cheers Street with Mayor Walt Eccard presiding.

Aldermen present: Carson Durham, Larry Harrelson, Gene Vasile, Jimmy Bellamy and Bobby Williamson.

Staff present: Mimi Gaither, Robert Waring, Natalie Goins, Isaac Norris, Paul Dunwell, Adam Stanley, Dan Formyduval and Attorney Laura Thompson.

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Eccard called the meeting to order. A motion was made by Jimmy Bellamy seconded by Gene Vasile to open the meeting. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

Mayor Eccard asked everyone to stand for a moment of silence honoring the life of Morris Hall and his service to the Town of Shallotte.

II. **INVOCATION & PLEDGE**

Alderman Larry Harrelson gave the Invocation followed by the Board and audience reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Mayor Eccard asked if any member of the Board had a conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest with regard to any item on the agenda. None stated.

IV. **AGENDA AMENDMENTS & APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Carson Durham seconded by Gene Vasile to make the following amendments and approve the amended agenda:

Add IX. Discussion – RD White Lease

Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

V. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments.

VI. **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

1. Police

A. Promotions

Jeremy Ferguson received the Oath of Offices as he was sworn in as Sergeant for the Town of Shallotte Police Department. Chief Stanley noted that Chris Metzler had also been

promoted to Sergeant, but was unable to attend today's meeting.

2. Fire

Mayor Eccard congratulated Chief Dunwell and the fire department on their recent accomplishment of an ISO rating of 2, expressing his appreciation for their hard work and service.

3. Planning

A. Bike and Pedestrian Plan Adoption

Timothy Tresohlavy, Stantec Engineering, gave a project summary with a power point presentation and answered questions asked by the Board. A motion was made by Carson Durham seconded by Gene Vasile to adopt the comprehensive bicycle and pedestrian plan. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

4. Public Utilities

A. Water Bill Adjustment: Brunswick Bowling Center

A motion was made by Carson Durham seconded by Gene Vasile to approve the water bill adjustment for Brunswick Bowling Center. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

5. Finance

A. Approval of Auditor

A motion was made by Larry Harrelson seconded by Jimmy Bellamy to accept the proposal from Thompson, Price, Scott, and Adams, CPAs as the new auditor for the Town. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

B. Resolution 23-02

A motion was made by Jimmy Bellamy seconded by Carson Durham to approve Resolution 23-02 To Establish Materiality Threshold for Recognition of Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements ("SBITAS") Under GASB Statement No. 96. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

Finance Officer Isaac Norris stated that \$22,056.28 was received from NC Department of Motor Vehicles, following completion of his report.

6. Media & Events

7. Administration

A. Restaurant Classification Definitions

A motion was made by Carson Durham seconded by Jimmy Bellamy to approve clarified restaurant classification definitions for delis, single service restaurants, and full service restaurants. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

B. East Coast Request

East Coast Engineering, on behalf of W.J. McLamb, has requested first available sewer allocation for a potential multi-family project along Wildwood Street NW. Currently, no additional flow can be added until the sewer upsizing project is completed. Due to the lack of sewer availability, the previous direction of the Board was that it would be best for applications to be put on hold. It was the consensus of the Board to modify previous guidance provided to staff; to proceed and process applications in the normal order.

8. Mayors Monthly Activities

A. Resolution 23-01

A motion was made by Carson Durham seconded by Jimmy Bellamy to approve Resolution 23-01 Supporting the Implementation of an Adaptive Signal System along the US 17 Business Corridor. A copy of the resolution will be forwarded to the NC Department of Transportation. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

VII. **CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Gene Vasile seconded by Larry Harrelson to approve the following consent agenda items:

- March 7, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes
- March 21, 2023 Work Session Meeting Minutes
- Performance Guarantee – Sharron Creek Crossing

Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

VIII. **PUBLIC HEARING**

PETITION FOR VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION & REZONING: 893 FOX STREET

Ms. Eva Clark, Trustee of the Clark Family Trust, has submitted a petition to annex 0.35 acres located at 893 Fox Street (Parcel ID # 213FA022). The property owner has requested that the lot be rezoned from RA-15 to R-10.

1. A motion was made by Jimmy Bellamy seconded by Gene Vasile to open the Public Hearing. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.
2. Public Comments/Questions
Robert Waring, Town of Shallotte Planning Director, gave a brief overview. The single family lot is currently in the Town's ETJ.
3. A motion was made by Jimmy Bellamy seconded by Carson Durham to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.
4. Board Comments/Questions
Town Manager, Mimi Gaither, noted that Fox Street is not a Town street. It is a private street in Village Point Estates.
5. A motion was made by Carson Durham seconded by Jimmy Bellamy to approve Annexation Ordinance # 23-01. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.
6. Mayor Eccard read into record the zoning amendment statement of consistency:
 - The size of the area to be rezoned, which is \pm .35 acres, is compatible with the proposed rezoning to R-10. *The area exceeds the minimum lot size and width in the proposed zoning district and development type.*
 - All permitted uses in Article 10 Table of Permitted Uses of the Shallotte Unified Development Ordinance have been considered in this decision. *The Table of Permitted Uses was reviewed.*
 - The proposed rezoning to R-10 is compatible with the Town of Shallotte Land Use Plan. *The Future Land Use Map identifies this area as Medium Density Residential and the uses allowed within the R-10 zoning district are consistent with this description.*
 - The benefits of rezoning the tract to R-10 outweigh any detriments. *The property is currently zoned in a similar manner.*
 - The relationship between the uses of the proposed zoning of R-10 and the surrounding area are either identical or compatible. *The abutting property is also zoned R-10.*
 - This new zoning promotes the public health, safety, and general welfare of the community. *The new zoning will promote public health, safety, and general welfare by providing residential zoning.*

A motion was made by Carson Durham seconded by Gene Vasile to approve the Board of Aldermen Zoning Statement of Consistency. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

7. A motion was made by Gene Vasile seconded by Carson Durham to approve rezoning 0.35 acres located at 893 Fox Street (Parcel ID# 213FA022) to R-10. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

IX. DISCUSSION

1. RD White Lease

It was the consensus of the Board to table this item until the May 2nd, 2023 Board Meeting.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Carson Durham seconded by Gene Vasile to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

Respectfully submitted,

Natalie Goins
Town Clerk