

SHALLOTTE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

REGULAR MEETING

July 5, 2023

5:15 P.M.

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

Aldermen present: Larry Harrelson, Gene Vasile, Jimmy Bellamy, Carson Durham, 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 Carson Durham to open the meeting. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

II. **INVOCATION & PLEDGE**

Katherine Moore 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 approve the agenda as submitted.

Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

V. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments.

VI. **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

1. Police

2. Fire

Chief Dunwell stated he would be attending Brunswick County's Annual Opioid Settlement Funds meeting on July 6, 2023.

3. Planning

A. Copas Ridge project revision

The Copas Ridge project was annexed and rezoned for a Planned Unit Development October, 2022. The property owner is requesting that the Board allow the project to be broken into two phases. A motion was made by Carson Durham seconded by Gene Vasile to approve the addition of a phase line. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

- Mr. Waring asked the Board to consider, for future discussion, if they would like to require a SUP if a property is conditionally rezoned or to allow conditional zoned property to forgo a SUP. No action was taken.
- Mr. Waring informed the Board that Planning Board ETJ member, Robert Cox, had resigned. Staff will prepare a notice of position to be run in the Brunswick Beacon and post on the Town's website and Facebook page.

4. Public Utilities

5. Finance

6. Media & Events

7. Administration

Town Manager Mimi Gaither provided a Riverwalk project update, stating that dredging had been completed and awaiting an RFQ for the dock and kayak launch.

8. Mayors Monthly Activities

Mayor Eccard briefed the Board on topics including the adaptive traffic light system, Carolina Bays project updates, and possible GSATS area expansion.

VII. **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- June 6, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes
- June 15, 2023 Budget Public Hearing Minutes

Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

VIII. **PUBLIC HEARING** *(continued from June 6, 2023 at the request of the applicant)*

SPECIAL USE PERMIT: 171 Permit Lane & Smith Ave (Hwy 130) WithersRavenel on behalf of The Tides of Shallotte LLC, has submitted a request for consideration of a Revised Special Use Permit (SUP) so as to revise plans for a Multi-Family Development located in the area of Smith Ave. (Hwy 130) and Main St. (Hwy 17 Business) Parcel ID # 1980001901 & 1980001914. The property is zoned Multifamily-10 (MF-10) and such use is a special use within the MF-10 zoning district.

1. A motion was made by Carson Durham seconded by Larry Harrelson to open the Public Hearing. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.
2. Town Planner Robert Waring stated that the applicant had withdrawn the request, therefore requiring no action.

3. A motion was made by Jimmy Bellamy seconded by Carson Durham to close the Public Hearing to the July 5, 2023 meeting. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

IX. **CLOSED SESSION**

1. Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (6), a motion was made by Jimmy Bellamy seconded by Larry Harrelson to go into closed session at 5:40 pm. to discuss a personnel matter. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no. A motion was made by Larry Harrelson seconded by Bobby Williamson to approve a 4% merit increase for Town Manager Mimi Gaither. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

X. **ADJOURN**

- A motion was made by Jimmy Bellamy seconded by Gene Vasile to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 p.m. Motion carried 5 yes 0 no.

Respectfully submitted,

Natalie Goins
Town Clerk