

**City of Boiling Spring Lakes**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**February 7, 2012**  
**City Hall – 6:30pm**

**I. Call to Order** – Mayor White called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and asked Ray Rumsey to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. Approval Monthly Agenda**

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Carroll and seconded by Commissioner Glidden to approve the monthly agenda with the addition of items New Business #6(a) Parks and Recreation Advisory Board appointments, (b) Planning Board Alternates appointments, (c) ABC Board appointment and item #9 Closed Session to discuss a personnel matter.

**III. Public Comment**

Marie Smith (Community Appearance Committee) announced that her son is starring on a television show called “The River” congratulations were given by the Board.

Susie Rollyson (ABC Board Member) commented that the city web-site is a disaster and that it needs a lot of work, she suggested that maybe we could hire a college student or someone to work on improvements. She also commented that the ABC Board had been through substantial ethics training and that the ABC Board recommends Joan Kinney.

Marty Kesmodel (ABC Board Member) presented that the ABC Board has 2 objectives, to serve the community and to make a profit. We have 2 candidates applying for this position, 1 has business background and 1 has direct ownership managing successful businesses. Ms. Kinney has a solid resume. I hope you’ll give her a serious look. Please give it consideration.

George Ball commented that he had run 3 businesses at one time for 20 years and that his qualifications speak for themselves. He commented that an e-mail was sent to the Board of Commissioners by an ABC Board Member containing false allegations in all aspects. It was slanderous and derogatory. Thanks again for your consideration.

Jerry Sovak commented that what I hear is quite disturbing, if someone wants someone else on a Board then they can report lies to you.

Chuck Wojda commented that the City website need IT input. The City Manager’s report on the website was good. He suggested that after discussion on Agenda items you should have public comments before the vote. If there is a legitimate action taken or reply I would like that to be public record.

Tasha Yarolin Commented that Curtis has been here for 28 years, you gave Paul hiring and firing rights and now Curtis is fired.

#### **IV. Approval of Minutes:**

**A motion** was made by Commissioner Carroll and seconded by Commissioner Caster to approve the minutes from the January 3 Regular Meeting.

**Vote 5-0**

**A motion** was made Commissioner Carroll and seconded by Commissioner Caster to approve the minutes from the July 7 and December 8, 2011 and January 5, 2012 Citizens Forum meetings with the exception that Commissioner wasn't present at the January 5 meeting.

**Vote 5-0**

#### **V. Consent Agenda**

##### Department Reports

1. Tax
2. Public Works
3. Public Safety
4. Building Inspections/Code Enforcement
5. Parks and Recreation
6. Buildings and Grounds
7. Planning Department

**A motion** was made by Commissioner Caster and seconded by Commissioner Glidden to approve to Consent Agenda.

**Vote 5-0**

#### **VI. Committee Reports**

- a. **Community Appearance Committee-** Ann Hollingsworth reported the committee didn't meet in January.
- b. **Planning Board-** Bill Clark reported that the Planning Board is continuing to work on the sign ordinance, definitions, and article 6.
- c. **Parks and Recreation Advisory Board** – Melissa reported they didn't have a full board, so no meeting in January. The Ladies Auxiliary would like to use to fitness room free of charge. She also reported they were looking forward to 2 new members.
- d. **Special Events Committee-** Mary Stilwell reported The Bunny Run will be April 7<sup>th</sup> at First Baptist Church. Thanks to all.
- e. **Library Committee-** Marge Pennington reported that over 1000 people checked out books from the library in 2011. From the 2 book sales they were able to purchase bookends for the library. The library Committee will present a 200.00 check to the Community Center to purchase books for the after school children. We are also setting up a book swap, bring or come purchase books 3 years old or less. Friends of the Library would like to give thanks to Buildings and Grounds, Public Works and City Hall for giving information to customers and just helping in general. See you next year.

**VII. City Manager's Report-** Mr. Sabiston presented the monthly financial report and updated the Board on the Sewer Project and Water Assessment Project.

Mr. Sabiston reported to the Board that the Spillway Committee met in January to review the Project, one issue in which staff needs direction relates to the expected preliminary flood study that will need to occur in the near future. The anticipated cost for this preliminary study is \$9000.00 and these funds are presently available in the original project cost. This study will allow the engineer to complete his study and provide enough information for preliminary permitting.

**A motion** was made by Commissioner Carroll and seconded by Commissioner Forte to allow the contractor to proceed with the preliminary flood study and release the funds for such study.  
**Vote 5-0**

## **V. Business Items**

### **Unfinished Business**

1. Sign Ordinance Update – Becky Cummings commented that she understands that there are questions and perhaps a workshop is in order, and then schedule a public hearing in March. Commissioner Carroll commented that he would like the workshop to be on the weekend or at night.

**A motion** was made by Commissioner Carroll and seconded by Commissioner Caster to schedule a Planning Board Workshop for February 28 at 7:00 pm.

**Vote 5-0**

2. Citizen's Forum – Consider Schedule and/or Change in Format- Commissioner Caster commented that in January there was no real push to continue the Thursday night Citizens Forum, no Board member heard from any citizens about continuing it. If we combine it with the BOC meeting the big change is you don't have to be on the agenda to speak. Commissioner Carroll suggests we move it to the regular meeting with the 3 minute rule.

**A motion** was made by Commissioner Carroll and seconded by Commissioner Glidden to adopt the Public Comment Rules as written with the 3 minute rule and terminate the Citizens Forum.

**Vote 5-0**

3. Update on the **Water Assessment Refund-** Interim City Manager Paul Sabiston reported that City staff is prepared to issue water assessment refund checks. The City Auditor is reviewing the water assessment accounts and may take several weeks before he can verify the total amount collected for water assessment.
4. Discussion regarding approval of **Resolution 2012-02 amendments to the sewer project benefit** – Commissioner Forte commented that the far right orange commercial property, just beyond that is the proposed light industrial area. We also need to remove the 5 parcels owned by the State from the benefit area.

**A motion** was made by Commissioner Glidden and seconded by Commissioner Carroll to approve all green less 2 residential properties taken out and take out the 5 properties owned by the State.

**Vote 5-0**

#### **New Business**

5. Consider draft **MOU** among City, the Nature Conservancy, NC Department of Agriculture, NC Plant Industry Division, and NC Property & Construction Division relating to maintenance and zoning of various lands within the city limits of Boiling Spring Lakes.- Commissioner Forte commented that it seems like they want us to give up a lot and they don't want to give anything back. Commissioner Glidden commented that they are willing to loan us the equipment to re-route the nature trail. City Manager Paul Sabiston commented that the MOU is just a document to start conversation. UDO Administrator Becky Cummings commented that this is a work in progress, just looking to the Board for direction.

**A motion** was made by Commissioner Carroll and seconded by Commissioner Forte to move forward with conversations.

**Vote 5-0**

6. Consider appointments to **Parks and Recreation Advisory Board** – two positions are currently open.-

**A motion** was made by Commissioner Carroll and seconded by Commissioner Forte to nominate Linda Dixon.

**Vote 2-3 Mayor White, Commissioner Glidden and Commissioner Carroll opposed.**

**Motion not carried**

- a. Consider appointments for **Planning Board Alternates** two positions are currently open.

**A motion** was made by Commissioner Glidden and seconded by Commissioner Carroll to nominate Suzanne Gufraido.

**Vote 4-1 Commissioner Forte opposed**

**A motion** was made by Commissioner Carroll and seconded by Commissioner Glidden to nominate Verda Darrell.

**Vote 5-0**

- b. Consider appointment to **ABC Board** –

**A motion** was made by Commissioner Forte and seconded by Commissioner Carroll to nominate Joan Kinney.

**Vote 2-3 Mayor White, Commissioner Glidden and Commissioner Carroll opposed.**

**Motion not carried**

**A motion** was made by Commissioner Carroll and seconded by Commissioner Glidden to nominate George Ball.

**Vote 3-2** Commissioner Caster and Commissioner Forte opposed.

7. Appointment – **Deputy Tax Collector.**

**A motion** was made by Commissioner Carroll and seconded by Commissioner Caster to appoint Karen Thompson as Deputy Tax Collector.

**Vote 5-0**

8. Approval of preliminary **Budget Schedule for FY 12/13** budget review.

**A motion** was made by Commissioner Caster and seconded by Commissioner Carroll to approve the Budget Review Schedule as written.

**Vote 5-0**

9. Closed Session to discuss a personnel matter.

**A motion** was made by Commissioner Carroll and seconded by Commissioner Glidden to go into closed session to discuss a personnel matter.

**Vote 5-0**

**Return to Open Session**

**A motion** was made by Commissioner Caster and seconded by Commissioner Forte to return to open session.

**Vote 5-0**

Mayor White reported that no action was taken.

**VI. Adjourn**

**A motion** was made by Commissioner Caster and seconded by Commissioner Glidden to reconvene meeting on February 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am for BOC Retreat.

**Vote 5-0**

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Susan Hartman Interim City Clerk

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Mayor Richard White