

# City of Boiling Spring Lakes

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# Community Appearance Commission Meeting August 19, 2013 7:00 p.m.

## Call to Order:

The regular monthly meeting of the Community Appearance Commission was held at City Hall on August 19, 2013 at 7:03 p.m.

### **Attendance:**

Ann Hollingsworth, Chairman Marie Smith

Carmen Berk Eleanor Terry Maggie Della Badia

## **Minutes:**

Minutes from the July 15, 2013 meeting were read by Marie Smith.

There was one correction ~ Eleanor Terry listed as absent, she was present.

The commission accepted the minutes as written with the correction.

#### **Announcements:** ~ None

#### Note ~

Ann Hollingsworth asked to have it noted, the minutes from the March 18, 2013 and July 15, 2013 meeting state the proceeds from the sale of calendars will go to the Dosher Foundation for Critically Ill Children.

# The committee addressed a complaint ~

A complaint was received by Ann Hollingsworth.

Ann Hollingsworth explained the complaint was written on August 14<sup>th</sup> to the City Manager, Mayor White, Commissioner Glidden, Commissioner Forte, Commissioner Castor and Commissioner Carroll. The subject of the complaint was the Appearance Committee Calendars.

Ann Hollingsworth read from the complaint ~ The complainant said in the letter "Let me direct you to this week's edition of the State Port Pilot page two under BSL the Appearance Committee profits on the calendar will be given to the Dosher Foundation. Now let me direct you to the front page of this week's State Port Pilot. U.S. Rep. M McIntyre presents check for 8.5 Million

to Dosher Hospital, albeit a (loan). However reading the article that goes with the picture it says Dosher is adding nearly three million from its cash fund balance to complete this project."

Ann Hollingsworth explained ~ The Dosher Foundation is a separate entity from Dosher Memorial Hospital. Dosher Foundation is a group that helps critically ill children that go through the Emergency Department. The Committee had discussed it and thought it would be good idea to donate the proceeds to the Dosher Foundation for Critically Ill Children.

Ann Hollingsworth explained one of the main reasons the committee decided on the Dosher Foundation for Critically Ill Children, a separate entity from Dosher Hospital, was as a municipality, unlike the other municipalities around us Boiling Spring Lakes does not pay the Dosher Hospital Tax. Since the committee has had a complaint they would like to address that and not do anything that the citizens are unhappy with.

Ann Hollingsworth explained when she got the complaint she called City Manager Jeff Repp and asked him if the committee could redirect the funds and put them in an Appearance Committee reserve so that they can possibly do things for their committee. Carmen Berk suggested one of the things the committee can do is get new signs because they are faded. Ann Hollingsworth agreed and there are other things they can do as well.

Ann Hollingsworth explained that she will write a personal check from her own account to Dosher Foundation for the Critically Ill Children.

The complainant reviewed the Community Appearance minutes and did not know what the purpose of the committee is.

Eleanor Terry asked what the original complaint was. Ann Hollingsworth explained the complainant did not want the funds to go to the Dosher Foundation for Critically Ill Children. The complainant was unhappy with this and there are other things in the city the funds can be used for. Ann Hollingsworth explained the loan and expansion are separate from Dosher Foundation for Critically Ill Children. The foundation helps different groups of people and the committee thought it would be good. Two years ago when they made a calendar the proceeds went to the New Hope Clinic in Boiling Spring Lakes.

Ann Hollingsworth explained she does not feel the committee has taken any money away from the city. The members have contributed supplies for the committee, cameras, film and development of pictures have been paid for by Ann Hollingsworth. The only money they use from the city is every year, for a few years they have given out Christmas Property Recognitions. Its really been a great thing for the city. They give out three at twenty five dollars and they have a budget of two hundred dollars. They give the rest back to the city. Maggie Della Badia went

out to view the Christmas properties with the committee, but did not have a vote and took the minutes. Ann Hollingsworth explained she asked City Manager Jeff Repp if Maggie Della Badia could go with the committee and he said yes. Ann Hollingsworth also asked Jeff Repp if she could help the committee work on the calendar, which was bringing in a computer to show the pictures on discs provided by the committee. Maggie Della Badia also helped with the layout and made up the city closure form for the calendar, but did not vote on any pictures.

In the same complaint ~ There are two items Community Appearance Commission has devoted time to was an animal control situation. Ann Hollingsworth explained the only animal control issue was the one that Eleanor Terry had mentioned and the information was given to Maggie Della Badia to give to the Building Inspector.

The other item was the city sewer hook-up for residents. Some of the committee members had been asked if they knew when the residents could expect to see residential hook ups. The committee asked Maggie Della Badia to check into it and let them know. Maggie Della Badia asked and informed the members there were no plans.

Ann Hollingworth explained she has worked for this board and two other boards and has always tried to be positive. She explained the past and present members have always tried to be positive and supportive. Marie Smith explained the complainant is awfully critical.

Ann Hollingsworth asked for the members approval for her to give a check with her own personal funds to the Dosher Foundation for Critically Ill Children and the proceeds from the calendar go to a reserve fund for the committee.

A motion was made by Eleanor Terry and seconded by Carmen Berk for the proceeds of the calendar to go to the Appearance Committee Fund instead of Dosher Foundation for Critically Ill Children.

The Vote Carried Unopposed.

## Calendar for 2014:

Ann Hollingsworth explained the financial information for the calendar is as follows: Nine hundred dollars in sponsors, calendars four hundred and twenty five dollars at a total of one thousand three hundred and twenty five dollars and that is the amount of the invoice from the printer. The printer has been paid. The sale of the remaining calendars will be profit.

Carmen Berk ~ The people have been very happy with the calendar because they have never seen a calendar like it in town.

# **Welcoming Committee:**

Welcome Packages for this month have been given to:

1080 Spruce 28 High Point 164 High Point

253 Turner 602 Palmer 1221 Gum 1971 E. Boiling Spring Rd

~ Package left on porch

## Awards:

There were no property recognitions this month.

All of the submissions from Community Fun Day have been viewed.

The committee reviewed previous winners from 2010

565 Palmer ~ just as pretty today as it was then.

271 Nassau 441 Crestview Dr 150 Sigman

Carmen Berk showed a new board she made to display the Blue Ribbon winners for 2013 and plans to put the pictures in as they come in.

**Events:** ~ None

**Business District**: ~ No new comments.

**City Appearance:** ~ No New comments.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** ~ No public was in attendance.

**AJOURNMENT: ~** 

A motion was made by Eleanor Terry and seconded by Carmen Berk to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with no opposition.

The meeting Adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by: Maggie Della Badia