

City of Boiling Spring Lakes

9 East Boiling Spring Road Boiling Spring Lakes, NC 28461

COMMUNITY APPEARANCE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES September 18, 2017 7:00 P.M. City Hall

Attendance: Ann Hollingsworth, Chairman, Marie Smith, Carmen Berk, Carmen Suits

Zelma Rygg, Shirley Tedesco, Dorothea Roberts

Commissioner Liaison: David Putnam

Staff: Pamela Bellina, Administrative Assistant

I. Call to Order

Chairperson Ann Hollingsworth called the regular monthly meeting of the Community Appearance Commission to order at 6:57 p.m.

II. Approval of Agenda

A Motion was made by Zee Rygg and seconded by Shirley Tedesco to approve the agenda as written.

Vote: 7 - 0

III. Approval of Minutes

A Motion was made by Carmen Berk and seconded by Carmen Suits to approve the August 21, 2017 minutes as written.

Vote: 7 - 0

IV. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

V. Old Business

a. 2018 Calendar Sales

Dorothea sold \$100 in calendars. Carmen Suits sold \$100 in calendars. Ann Hollingsworth sold an additional \$100 in calendars.

Ann thanked the members for all their hard work in selling the calendars and all they do for the committee and the City.

VI. New Business

a. Property Recognition

Ann handed out and reviewed with the members the criteria form they created when choosing properties to refresh their minds and bring Dorothea up to date.

The following properties were nominated for Property Recognition:

847 Cambridge ~ 1203 North Shore ~ 583 Eden

Carmen Berk suggested the following properties for consideration next month: 987 North Shore, 2 Casper which just had a new roof installed and 1453 South Shore. Dorothea suggested 370 Fifty Lakes.

Ann handed out blank Release forms and also provided recognition forms for residents to nominate homes.

Shirley noted that the homeowner of 1203 North Shore was shocked her yard was being recognized. Shirley explained to the homeowner they have a new category named Most Improved and her home fell into that category. Shirley noted that since she was recognized, she has been working harder on her property. A little recognition goes a long way. Carmen Berk said residents are more impressed having the sign in their yard than having their picture on the website. It allows for their neighbors to see they were recognized and hopefully they will step up to make their yards worthy of recognition.

b. Welcome Packages

Ann reminded the members that they voted last month to purchase the reusable bags for their Welcome Packages but they did not state how many they wanted to purchase. Since sales of the calendars has gone well, they have funds to purchase more bags. She also reminded the members they have had an increase in the amount of Welcome Packages they have been giving out. Ann advised the cost of 500 bags would be approximately \$645 plus a set up charge of \$50 plus shipping from 4imprint, the place where Jane McMinn purchased the volunteer appreciation bags. She further advised Brandall's charge for the bags would be \$533.06 for 250 bags.

A Motion was made by Carmen Suits and seconded by Zee Rygg to purchase 500 bags from 4imprint at an approximate cost of \$645 plus a set-up fee of \$50 plus shipping.

Vote: 7 - 0

Welcome packages were given to the following new residents:

22 Southport Lane

621 Barber

481 Charlestown

296 Ash

1231 North Shore

880 Batton

83 Fairway

387 Fairway

2372 Lumberton

Ann mentioned the members have had to go to several homes numerous times to deliver Welcome Packages. Ann suggested leaving the Welcome Package on the doorknob if possible.

Carmen Berk was able to deliver Welcome Packages to the following homes: 581 South Shore, 83 Fairway, 71 West South Shore and 1111 South Shore.

Ann asked Carmen Suits if she could deliver a Welcome Package to 200 Bordeaux. She asked Dorothea if she could deliver Welcome Packages to 1047 Berry Hill and 1245 Fifty Lakes. She asked Zee if she could deliver a package to 690 Westwood. Zee mentioned she still has not gotten anyone home at 271 Ash Road and the other home on Ash. Ann said Raeford Road is still being renovated and she has been unable to deliver a Welcome Package to them also.

VII. Announcements/Discussions

Commissioner Putnam advised he made a proposition to the City a few months ago about the approximately 45 abandoned mobile homes. The City will be actively pursuing taking the abandon properties by removing mobile homes, condemning the property and working through the court system to take the property. It is not a cost situation to the City but a break-even situation. It is a matter of cleaning up some of the neighborhoods that have so many abandoned mobile homes.

Commissioner Putnam wanted to clear up some misconceptions about the special sewer district. Sanco Builders is proposing to build approximately 160 homes in a section on Fifty Lakes Road. The City has entered into an agreement to go ahead and put up a special assessment district at a cost of \$350,000. We will be repaid for that but the City will be putting up the money at 8% interest. Once the whole build-out has occurred, it will be \$59,000,000 with the new homes. In addition, once the sewer is installed, it takes the property from being a \$2,000 property to a \$30,000 property that we will be able to collect the tax assessment. Carmen Suits asked how many years do they have to pay it back. Commissioner Putnam stated they should be built-out in four to five

years. Ann Hollingsworth mentioned it would generate a lot of tax money for the City. Commissioner Putnam noted that residential growth brings economic growth, which the City needs.

Commissioner Putnam also mentioned the small subdivision on Reidsville Road where approximately 25 homes will be built. The builder will be putting in roads and sidewalks that the City will maintain once the development is built out.

Carmen Suits inquired about the RV park status. Commissioner Putnam said there is about a three to five month time frame.

The members discussed with Commissioner Putnam the ice machine and the sidewalk to nowhere. He agreed it was somewhat awkward and hopes it will be discussed at the next BOC meeting.

Ann reminded the members that they will have a booth at the Family Fun & Safety Festival. She was considering giving away 20 magnets and 20 jar openers. She will have a basket of information on the table from the Welcome Packages and she also has a plastic holder for City maps. Shirley mentioned she was interested in helping Ann with the event and Ann explained to be here at City Hall at 12:30 to help set up.

Ann noted she was installed earlier in the day as the Vice President of Dosher Volunteers. Carmen Suits mentioned Dosher Hospitals is undergoing renovation.

VIII. Adjournment

A Motion was made by Zee Rygg and seconded by Shirley Tedesco to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM.

Vote: 7-0

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Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Bellina Administrative Assistant