

City of High Point

*Municipal Office Building
211 South Hamilton Street
High Point, NC 27261*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 1, 2010

4:45:00 PM

Council Chambers

*Rebecca R. Smothers, Mayor
M. Christopher Whitley, Mayor Pro Tem
Latimer B. Alexander, IV, William S. Bencini,
Mary Lou Blakeney, Foster Douglas, John Faircloth,
Michael D. Pugh, Bernita Sims*

ROLL CALL, PRAYER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Present: Council Member Whitley, Mayor Smothers, Council Member Bencini, Council Member Alexander, Council Member Sims, Council Member Blakeney, Council Member Douglas, Council Member Faircloth and Council Member Pugh

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the following meetings were unanimously approved as submitted upon motion by Council Member Alexander and second by Council Member Bencini.

Combined Meeting; Monday, October 18th @ 4:45/5:30 p.m.

FINAL ACTION TAKEN AT THIS MEETING

At the conclusion of the Committee of the Whole Session, and after all matters were heard by Council, **motion was made by Council Member Bencini and seconded by Council Member Blakeney to suspend the rules in order to take final action on these matters at tonight's meeting. The motion carried unanimously. [9-0 vote]**

Motion was then made by Council Member Alexander, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Whitley that all Committee recommendations stand as final action regarding these matters. The motion carried unanimously. [9-0 vote]

Note: As a result of this action, there is no need for the Thursday morning meeting.

PRESENTATION OF ITEMS

FINANCE COMMITTEE - Council Member Whitley, Chair
Committee Members: Bencini, Douglas and Alexander

(all were present)

Contract - Bid No. 08 - Police Training Facility**100310**

Award of contract for Bid No. 08 for construction of Police Training Facility. Purchasing and the Police Department recommend that contract be awarded to Lomax Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$695,500.00 which is the lowest responsible and responsive bidder meeting specifications.

This matter was discussed during a Finance Committee meeting held at 4:00 p.m. prior to this meeting.

The Committee recommended this matter be placed on Thursday's Agenda with a favorable recommendation for approval.

Awarded contract in the amount of \$695,500.00 to Lomax Construction for the construction of the Police Training facility which is the lowest responsible and responsive bidder meeting specifications.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Whitley, seconded by Member Blakeney, that this matter be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Budget Ordinance Amendment - American Recovery & Reinvestment Funds - Mass Transit Funds

100311 Adoption of a budget ordinance amending the 2010-2011 Budget Ordinance in the amount of \$397,579 for American Recovery & Reinvestment Funds (ARRA) for the City's Mass Transit Department.

This matter was discussed briefly during a Finance Committee meeting held at 4:00 p.m. prior to this meeting.

The Committee recommended this matter be placed on Thursday's Agenda with a favorable recommendation for adoption.

Adopted budget ordinance amending the 2010-2011 Budget ordinance in the amount of \$397,579 for American Recovery & Reinvestment Funds (ARRA) for the City's mass transit department.

Ordinance No. 6773/10-121

Introduced 11/1/2010

Adopted 11/1/2010

Ordinance Book Volume XVI, Page 258

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Whitley, seconded by Member Blakeney, that this matter be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

Renewable Energy Generation Program

100312 City Council is requested to adopt/approve the following documents to develop the city's Renewable Energy Generation Program:

Resolution establishing standards for interconnection small generator systems

Electric Rate Rider RECR-1

Power Purchase Agreement - Form 1

Power Purchase Agreement - Form 2

Power Purchase Agreement - Form 3

This matter was briefly discussed during a Finance Committee meeting held at 4:00 p.m. prior to this meeting.

The Committee recommended this matter be placed on Thursday's Agenda with a favorable recommendation for approval.

Approved the preceding documents to develop the city's Renewable Energy Generation Program.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Whitley, seconded by Member Blakeney, that this matter be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - Council Member Faircloth, Chair
Committee Members: Douglas, Pugh and Alexander

(all were present)

Ordinance - Vacate/Close Structure - 1013 Adams Street

100313

Adoption of an ordinance ordering the inspector to effectuate the vacating and closing of a structure located at 1013 Adams Street belonging to Frances T. Borton.

There was no one present to speak regarding this housing case.

[staff report will be attached in Legistar as a permanent part of these proceedings]

The Committee recommended this matter be placed on Thursday's Agenda with a favorable recommendation for adoption.

Adopted Ordinance ordering the inspector to effectuate the vacating and closing of a structure located at 103 Adams Street.

Ordinance No. 6774/10-122

Introduced 11/1/2010

Adopted 11/1/2010

Ordinance Book Volume XVI, Page 259

A motion was made by Member Faircloth, seconded by Council Member Bencini, that this matter be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance - Vacate/Close Structure - 508 Wise Avenue

100314

Adoption of an ordinance ordering the inspector to effectuate the vacating and closing of a structure located at 508 Wise Avenue belonging to Nathaniel E. & Margaret G. Bolds.

There was no one present to speak regarding this housing case. Staff reported that the tenant has been referred to the Community Development & Housing Department for relocation assistance.

[staff report will be attached in Legistar as a permanent part of these proceedings]

The Committee recommended this matter be placed on Thursday's Agenda with a favorable recommendation for adoption.

Adopted Ordinance ordering the inspector to effectuate the vacating and closing of a structure located at 508 Wise Avenue.

Ordinance No. 6775/10-123

Introduced 11/1/2010

Adopted 11/1/2010

Ordinance Book Volume XVI, Page 260

A motion was made by Member Faircloth, seconded by Council Member Bencini, that this matter be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE - Council Member Sims, Chair
Committee Members: Blakeney, Faircloth, Whitley and Alexander

(all were present)

There were no matters appearing on tonight's Agenda for consideration by the Public Services Committee.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Council Member Bencini, Chair
Committee Members: Blakeney, Pugh, Sims and Faircloth

(all were present)

There were no matters appearing on tonight's Agenda for consideration by the Planning & Development Committee

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Noise Violations (Boom Box complaints)

Council Member Faircloth informed Council that he had a constituent that raised questions regarding the boom box vehicle violations. He asked if staff could provide some statistics on action that has been taken on these types of nuisances. Police Chief Jim Fealy explained there was no statistical information, but this was an ordinance the police department has been rather rigorous with. Council Member Mike Pugh asked for the number of citations that have been issued on violations of this type in the past year.

Northwest Area Plan

Jimmy Morgan, 8625 Bull Road, Colfax, addressed Council regarding the Northwest Area Plan. [A copy of Mr. Morgan's comments will be attached as a permanent part of these proceedings]. He expressed concerns regarding the wording in the plan and felt some wording lacks specifics and allows for questionable exceptions. He felt High Point officials should seriously work to adopt an enforceable tree protection ordinance instead of only considering tree protection whenever convenient and proper rewording or eliminating parts of the plan could be used to correct its flaws. He also suggested eliminating all references to the North/South connector along the county line as well as its line on the map to enable the plan to better attain its goals.

Exhibit Book Volume X, Page 49

New Vision/New Direction for High Point

Larry Diggs, 1127 Biltmore Avenue, address Council regarding the following issues

of concern:

love to see the city have a new vision and take new directions
Furniture Market didn't build High Point--High Point built the Furniture Market and it
is time for the city to diversify
need for restrooms at the bus terminal

Planning & Zoning Commission Meetings

Cynthia Davis, 413 Evergreen Avenue, addressed Council. She thanked Council for appointing her to serve on the Planning & Zoning Commission and felt staff compromised the last Planning & Zoning Commission meeting. She noted that everyone should follow the proper protocol in the meetings so everything will be fair. She also expressed agreement with Mr. Morgan's previous statement regarding the tree ordinance.

Mayor Smothers thanked Ms. Davis for her comments and asked if there was anyone else present who would like to address Council during the Public Comment period. There being none, the public comment period was declared closed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON ITEMS

There were no public hearings scheduled for this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m. upon motion duly made and seconded.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca R. Smothers, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa B. Vierling, MMC
City Clerk