



Town of Indian Trail
Minutes of Town Council
September 24, 2013
Civic Building
6:30 P.M.

The following members of the governing body were present:

Mayor: Michael L. Alvarez

Council Members: Robert Allen, David Cohn, Christopher King, and David Waddell.

Absent Members: Darlene Luther, Planning Director Shelley DeHart, Finance Officer Marsha Sutton and Tax Collector Janice Cook.

Staff Members: Town Manager Joe Fivas, Town Clerk Peggy Piontek, Town Attorney Keith Merritt, Director of Community & Economic Development Kelly Barnhardt, Director of Engineering and Public Works Scott Kaufhold , and Senior Planner Rox Burhans .

CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Alvarez called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Christopher King made a motion to approve deleting item 4a Mayor for a Day Proclamation Presentation.

Council voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Mayor Alvarez announced that Council Member Luther was not in attendance.

David Cohn made a motion adding Wayfinding bids as item 8b.

Council voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

David Waddell made a motion to approve adding announcing names of Citizens Academy Graduates under presentations.

Council voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA

Robert Allen made a motion to approve the agenda.

Council voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

PRESENTATIONS

a. Mayor for a Day Proclamation

This item was deleted as a result of a motion made in Additions and Deletions.

b. Reading of names of Graduates of the Indian Trail Citizens Academy.

Mayor Alvarez read the names of the Graduates for the Citizens Academy.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jeanine Oberhofer, 1026 Spanish Moss Road, Indian Trail, NC addressed the traffic calming necessity for her development, stating that her neighborhood is being used as a cut through. She advised that 98% of the residents signed the petition for speed bumps.

Jerry Morse, 271 Unionville Indian Trail Road, Indian Trail, NC feels that speed bumps are very important and would rather see the money spent on that instead of wayfinding signs. He stated that a previous Council approved the Bonterra neighborhood that allowed the roads to be built but not to NCDOT standards and if that's true will it be addressed. What does it mean

if the town takes over those roads not up to NCDOT standards, are we responsible for the expense and what the cost would be. Also, how was that allowed, fire trucks, he has heard that a previous employee has a gag order and would appreciate more information. He stated that the citizens academy is great, but suggests changing the name so as not to confuse it with Union County Sheriff's Office Program.

Mayor Alvarez closed public comments and announced that there is a candidates forum at Sun Valley High School at 7 pm on Thursday, September 26th.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of draft minutes for September 10, 2013

Robert Allen made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.
Motion Passed 3 - 1 with David Waddell opposing.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

BUSINESS ITEMS

- a. SECOND READING CZ2013-002 Glenn Oaks Apartments

Mr. Burhans provided a brief review of the matter.

Robert Allen made a motion to approve the required findings as previously read into the record and found in the draft ordinance including the consistency statements for CZ 2013-002 as presented in the second reading.

Motion Passed 2 - 2 with David Cohn, and David Waddell opposing.

Mayor Alvarez broke the tie by voting in favor of the motion.

Robert Allen made a motion to approve the second reading for CZ2013-002 Glenn Oaks Apartments.

Motion Passed 2 - 2 with David Cohn, and David Waddell opposing.

Mayor Alvarez broke the tie by voting in favor of the motion. **(COPY ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART OF THE RECORD)**

- b. Bids for Wayfinding Signs

This item was added as a result of a motion made under Additions and Deletions.

Mr. Fivas provided a brief review of this item, advising that the 3 qualified bids came back. Rite Lite signs came in with the lowest bid of \$125,777.05 and staff recommends approval of this bid.

Christopher King made a motion to approve Rite Lite Sign bid of \$125,777.05. Motion Passed 3 - 1 with David Waddell opposing.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. Transportation and Infrastructure Update

Mr. Fivas provided a recap of traffic accomplishments Council has conducted over the last five years.

Mr. Kaufhold explained the phases of Chestnut Parkway and provided project updates for several sidewalks, Chestnut Square Park, Crooked Creek Park, pavement condition survey, Unionville Indian Trail Road and Sardis Road intersection, Rogers Road and Wesley Chapel Stouts intersection, Waxhaw Indian Trail Road and Pioneer Lane. Mr. Kaufhold provided updates on projects of NCDOT: US 74, Indian Trail Road Bridge replacement, Old Monroe Road.

b. PARTF Grant Update

Mr. Fivas advised that he, Kelly Barnhardt and Andre Pack with Woolpert met with state representatives for the PARTF Grant funding grant and they presented to us that we might want to apply for different parts of our project already out to bid right now , for example the dog park, instead of waiting for next year and if approved we could actually get grant funding for this phase we are constructing now. They really like our Crooked Creek Project and wanted to be a part of it. We must go through the public process to get support for the grant, turn it into them in January and it would be awarded in April.

David Cohn made a motion to approve staff moving forward in applying for the PARTF Grant. Council voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

c. Traffic Calming Program Update

Mr. Fivas provide an update on the process and on the projects currently as study areas - Brookhaven, Brandon Oaks, Brook Valley, Beacon Hills. He advised we have installed temporary speed humps at the first 3 locations. He informed Council that they will be considering these areas for approval in the upcoming months. All will not be speed humps as there is are several

different ways to accomplish calming, all of which will be presented to Council for their determination and approval.

d. Neighborhood Enhancement Program Update

Mr. Fivas explained this is where some of our neighborhoods have issues now they can come to us for assistance. He offered the opportunity to Council Members to be a part of the discussion.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

None

MANAGERS REPORT

None

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Alvarez discussed the missing campaign sign issues, advising that the candidates are acting like real neighbors.

Mr. Cohn congratulated Sun Valley for beating Porter Ridge. Staff does a great job he appreciates it and thanked them. He thanked Mr. Fivas as well for a great job

Mr. King had no comments.

Mr. Waddell appreciates the citizen who spoke on public comments about traffic calming, he would like to see it all done by spring, but there is a procedure and process and it's unfortunate that it takes so long but is confident it will be resolved soon. We did adopt a road and streets policy used to determine the town taking over roads which spells out criteria. He would like to look into the future to include a pedestrian traffic study as well as vehicular traffic study for projects like Glenn Oaks Apartments. He reminded all about the NCDOT meeting at the Cultural Arts Center on Wednesday evening, when the residents come out and speak it means a lot and encourages them to come out and check it out. Candidate signs, take a more diplomatic approach you must draw the line at property, physical and character, be civil in your approach, it's a war of ideas there's plenty of fights to fight and wished them all the best.

Mr. Allen stated he enjoyed the transportation recap and the good news is that a local team one the football game on Friday between Sun Valley High School and Porter Ridge High School.

CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURN

Robert Allen made a motion to adjourn
Council voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

APPROVED:

Michael L. Alvarez

Attest:

Peggy Piontek, Town Clerk

