

**AGENDA OF THE
SUMMERFIELD TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL CALL MEETING
SUMMERFIELD COMMUNITY CENTER**

June 20, 2007

6:30 PM

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. INTRODUCTIONS**
- 3. CONSENT AGENDA:**
 - A. MEETING AGENDA**
 - B. SPEED LIMIT MODIFICATIONS – There is no sign work required, this will only be a paperwork change to update the records of the North Carolina Department of Transportation**
 - i. Declare the following speed limits: 45 mph SR 2128 (Bunch Rd) 2 sections; 45 mph SR 2190 (Carlson Dairy Rd); 45 mph SR 2135 (Hamburg Mill Rd); 35 mph SR 3803 (White Blossom); 30 mph SR 2322 (Alley Rd)**
 - ii. Rescind the following speed limits: 50 mph SR 2133 (Pleasant Ridge Rd); 30 mph SR 4322 (Polo Farms Rd); 30 mph SR 4232 (Horseman Trail); 30 mph SR 2322 (Alley Rd).**
- 4. APPROVAL OF SUMMERFIELD 2007-2008 FISCAL YEAR OPERATING BUDGET**
- 5. ADJOURN**

**MINUTES OF THE
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NOTE: The official minutes are a CD recording of the meeting. The following is a summary of the events of the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm by Mark Brown.

INTRODUCTIONS:

Council:

Mark Brown, Mayor
Dena Barnes, Pro Tem
Carolyn Collins
Becky Strickland
Bob Williams
John W. Wray Jr.

Staff:

Michael Brandt, Town Administrator
Dana Luther, Finance Officer
Valarie Halvorsen, Town Clerk
Susan Moore for Bill Hill, Town Attorney

CONSENT AGENDA:

Brown asked Brandt to explain the Speed Limit Modifications. Brandt stated the ordinances are needed by the state to update and correct their paperwork, that all speed limit signs in Summerfield are correct.

Brown asked council if they wished to add a Closed Session to the agenda after the budget approval to discuss financial issues, specifically the offer on the ball field property. Strickland requested that item 4, Approval of the 2007-2008 budget be postponed based on information that came to light this week, which she stated was a legal matter. Wray asked if it could be discussed in Closed Session.

A motion was made by Barnes to approve the Consent Agenda, including the Meeting Agenda, Speed Limit Modifications Ordinances, and adding a Closed Session prior the budget discussion. The motion was seconded by Williams and passed 4 to 1, with Strickland opposed.

Brown read the grounds for going into closed session as follows:

CLOSED SESSION

(B) to establish, or to instruct the public body's staff or negotiating agents concerning the position to be taken by or on behalf of the public board in negotiation: 1) the price and other material terms of a contract; or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchase, option, exchange, or lease.
and;

(C) to consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the public body, which privilege is hereby acknowledged.

Barnes made a motion at 6:38 pm to enter into closed session based on the above reasons. The motion was seconded by Wray and passed 4 to 1, with Strickland opposed.

Wray made a motion at 7:22 pm to return to open session. The motion was seconded by Barnes and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF SUMMERFIELD 2007-2008 FISCAL YEAR OPERATING BUDGET

Brandt clarified several issues that were brought up at the last meeting:

1. ABC store purchases – should a restaurant open in Summerfield that serves mixed beverages, they are supposed to purchase the alcohol from the Summerfield ABC store, not an ABC store in Greensboro.
2. Funds distributed to PTA – The Summerfield/Laughlin PTA provides the walking track and is a non-profit organization. Therefore, disbursement of funds to the PTA is allowable per state statute. Strickland asked if the funds would be considered a grant on the budget and Brandt replied affirmatively.
3. US 220 Rail Trail property – Guilford County has bond referendum funds available for this project and will fund it if it comes to pass, but Greensboro has no bond funds available so they would have to do a budget amendment. Brandt stated this can be left in the budget, removed completely, or earmarked for capital reserve applications. Brown suggested earmarking the funds for the project and Wray agreed.

Strickland stated a budget that is 2/3 Parks & Rec is not in line with what most of the taxpayers would want. Brown stated this is due to several different projects that are in the works, including Phase II of the Park and ball fields, that everything has gone through the proper channels. Strickland said when these projects are completed they will have to be maintained forever. Wray replied those costs would not be as significant as the start up costs. Collins said she sees it as an investment in our future and our children, which hopefully they will be able to enjoy it for years to come, that it is way past due. Barnes stated it has been talked about since 1997, for 10 years.

Collins made a motion to approve the 2007-2008 budget, earmarking project funds as discussed. Luther asked if that should be a separate line item. Collins said yes, it should be real specific. Brown asked if anyone had a second. The motion was seconded by Wray and passed 4 to 1, with Strickland opposed.

Brandt asked council to extend the 2006-2007 Ordinance Stipulating Expense Approval until July 10, as the 2007-2008 Ordinance was not distributed to council yet.

Barnes made a motion to extend the 2006-2007 Ordinance Stipulating Expense Approval until July 10. Strickland said she was opposed to this last year due to the amounts that could be contracted to without the approval of council, so she objects to it this year as well. The motion was seconded by Collins and passed 4 to 1, with Strickland opposed.

With no further business before the Town Council, a motion was made to adjourn by Wray at 7:34 pm. The motion was seconded by Williams, and carried unanimously.



Mark E. Brown, Mayor



Valarie Halvorsen, Town Clerk