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COUNCIL MINUTES *APRIL 12, 2016, 6:30PM, SFD COMMUNITY CENTER*

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Mark Brown. The invocation was led by Linda Southard, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The following were present:

Council	Staff
Mark Brown, Mayor	Scott Whitaker, Town Manager
Dena Barnes, Mayor Pro-tem	Valarie Halvorsen, Town Clerk
Mike Adams	Torin Fury for William Hill, Town Attorney
Dianne Laughlin	
John O'Day	
Reece Walker	

CONSENT AGENDA

Brown stated the manager wished to remove item 10-B *Land donation and access to Vandergrift* property and the closed session; council agreed by consensus. Barnes motioned to approve the consent agenda, including the meeting agenda as amended, open session minutes for 3/8, open and closed session minutes for 3/28, financial report, and Finance Officer budget amendment #3 (FY15-16). The motion was seconded by Laughlin and carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Whitaker announced the dates of the 20th annual Founders' Day event: Friday, 5/13, 6pm-10pm and Saturday, 5/14, 10am-4pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dwayne Crawford of 1106 NC Highway 150 West stated the problems with the Public Safety Committee were Fire Chief Johnson's lack of tolerance and disrespectful behavior, accusations of disseminating false information, and accusations regarding Crawford. He felt disbanding the committee was not right, particularly in light of the many new committee applicants.

Teresa Pegram of 7401 Greenlawn Drive also spoke about the Public Safety Committee and read from emails received in response to a public records request. Pegram asked that the documents be included in the minutes as part of the official record.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FY2016-17 BUDGET: *(none)*

COMMITTEE / EVENT REPORTS

A. **Finance:** Whitaker stated Jane Wilson had resigned; the next meeting would be 4/18, during which there would be discussion of the line-item draft budget and the sales and use tax issue.

B. **Historical:** Linda Southard said the committee continued to work on Founders' Day plans; the next meeting would be 4/28.

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C. **Trails and Open Space:** Jane Doggett said the committee reconvened their 3/23 meeting on 4/6 to continue discussion of Founders' Day; trail standards had been given to Whitaker for review; the next meeting would be 4/27.

D. **Founders' Day:** Whitaker discussed vendor/parade deadlines; the next meeting would be 4/21.

EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORTS

A. **Summerfield Fire District:** Jenna Daniels stated during March there were 25 fire-related calls, 73 EMS calls, 18 "other" calls, 21 child car seats were installed, approximately 300 attended the annual Easter egg hunt, and reminded all to never leave an open flame unattended.

B. **Guilford Co. Sheriff's Dept.:** Sgt. Eric Lee said District One provides Summerfield with 4 shifts of 24-hour coverage with 6/7 officers per shift, noting there is low crime and good neighbor communication in Summerfield.

C. **Guilford Co. Emergency Services:** Don Campbell gave an overview of services provided including EMS, a fire division, inspections, code compliance, and disaster management and response.

BUSINESS FROM TOWN MANAGER

A. **Vineyards trail property and maintenance:** Whitaker stated The Vineyards signed an agreement that addressed currently needed repairs. Quotes had been received for those repairs as well as for a proposed on-going, quarterly maintenance agreement, which was a separate consideration. Regarding the currently needed repairs, Whitaker said these could be done in this budget year with funds that would not be expended now on the SAP parking lot development project. Fury suggested removing the quarterly maintenance proposal from consideration at this time so a precedent/obligation would not be set for trail maintenance/repair in general. Following brief discussion, O'Day motioned to approve the agreement for currently needed repairs to The Vineyards Trail noting the actual cost is $36,476, and that the work would be done this budget year using funds originally designated for the SAP parking lot project. The motion was seconded by Walker and carried unanimously.

B. **Land donation and access to Vandergrift property:** *(removed from agenda)*

C. **Reports, updates, or comments:** Whitaker reported the following: new Finance Officer Dee Hall would begin work 4/18; the request to NCDOT to reduce the speed limits surrounding the town hall intersection was denied; Stewart was making progress on greenway design and would be at Founders' Day to present information and garner public feedback; the water and fire protection study was progressing; a local Girl Scout troop visited town hall to learn about local government and voted on ideas/projects they felt would be good for the town: a community garden, movies in the park, and a summer firefly festival; the SAP entrance road project was progressing.

BUSINESS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MANAGER

A. **Regional water initiative for water supply planning and future economic development:** Rockingham County had drafted a Memorandum of Understanding among area jurisdictions related to "the need to review and investigate water supply alternatives to current and future

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development corridors in western Rockingham County and northern Guilford County." Brown distributed the MOU for council review.

B. **Donation acknowledgement re: Alexander Strong Martin House purchase:** Council agreed by consensus to draft a letter, per request of the seller and her accountant, showing a donation to the town of $7,000, the difference between the tax value and the purchase price of the property.

C. **National Volunteer Week proclamation:** Brown read the proclamation acknowledging April 10-16 as National Volunteer Week.

D. **Municipal Clerks Week proclamation:** Barnes read the proclamation acknowledging May 1-7 as Municipal Clerks Week.

E. **National Day of Prayer proclamation:** O'Day read the proclamation acknowledging the first Thursday in May as a National Day of Prayer.

With no further business, a motion was made at 7:36pm by Laughlin to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Barnes and carried unanimously.

Mark E. Brown
Mark Brown, Mayor

Valarie R. Halvorsen
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