

Town of Marshville Town Council Special Called Meeting And Work Session July 18, 2022 7 PM

Marshville Town Hall

118 East Union Street - Marshville, NC 28103

In Attendance: Mayor Larry Smith; Mayor Pro-tem Staton; Council Members Margaret Bivens, Paulette Blakeney, and Gary Huntley. Council Member Monaca was absent.

Staff in attendance: Town Manager Deese and Ann Sutton, Town Clerk.

Call to Order/Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Larry Smith. Council Member Huntley gave the invocation. All shared the Pledge of Allegiance.

Special Called Meeting

Open Meeting: Mayor Smith opened the meeting at 7:05 pm.

Discussion and Possible Action - Review of Solid Waste Contract: Town Manager Deese presented the Waste Connection contract for solid waste pickup. Town Attorney Bobby Griffin reviewed the contract before the meeting and made a few corrections. Waste Connection took out all references to recycling in the agreement. Mayor Smith asked about any charitable items the company would provide. Town Manager Deese said Waste Connections would provide receptacles for the Randy Travis Festival and Dancing in the Park. The scheduled pickup will be every Wednesday. Waste Connection will buy all our carts from us. There will be no cart fee from now on. Waste Connection is to take care of the carts if damaged. Town Manager Deese reminded everyone that recycling would no longer be picked up. Mayor Smith said that citizens could contract with any service for recycling; the town will no longer offer recycling as a service. A business will not be penalized if it does not use Waste Connections for its solid waste service. The cost of the solid waste service is fixed for the next twelve months. Then for years two and three, the increase in price per household will be based on the CPI. Mayor Smith requested a motion to authorize the manager to sign the Waste Connection contract contingent on the redlined items in the contract being resolved and the Town Manager and Town Attorney approving of the changes and the contract as a whole. Mayor Pro-tem Staton made the motion, and Council Member Bivens seconded it. All ayes.

Review and Appoint Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: Town Manager Deese reminded all that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was dissolved in order to restructure the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board By-laws. The Parks and Rec Advisory Board has new by-laws that allow five board members, two of which can be from the ETJ. The new board applicants are Robin McAdams Moore, Russell Johnson, Paige Clay, Joshua M. Thompson, and Jacob Thomas. Mayor Pro-tem Staton made a motion to approve the above applicants for the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. Council Member Bivens made a second. All ayes. Town Manager Deese remaindered all that Council Member Marshall will be the Council liaison for the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. Council Member Bivens thanked the applicants for their interest in serving.

Close Special Called Meeting:

Council Member Bivens made a motion to adjourn Special Meeting. Council Member Blakeney made a second. All ayes.

Work Session

Open Work Session

Public Comments Received by Email: Susan Drake of 306 S. Elm Street, Marshville, wrote Council a letter with comments concerning transit in Union County. She referred to the presentation of Bjorn Hansen of Union County at the July 5 meeting. Mrs. Drake made several points as to why Marshville did not need public transit at the time. She did not think Marshville should help pay for it at this point.

Adoption of Agenda: Town Manager Deese asked if the Closed Session could be moved to the end of the meeting. The Closed Session will be an update and no action will take. The Closed Session will be moved to after the Mayor's Comments. Council Member Bivens made a motion to adopt the agenda with the change. Council Member Huntley seconded the motion. All ayes.

Review of Rules and Procedures for the Planning Board: Town Manager Deese handed out the Planning Board's updated Rules and Procedures. Mayor Smith would like to see the redlined copy to see the changes made. This document will be on the August 1st agenda for approval.

Discussion of Transit Study: Town Manager Deese gave out additional information concerning the transit system presentation given by Bjorn Hansen at the last meeting. Council Member Bivens thought a bus system would be advantageous for seniors. Mayor Pro-tem Staton would not like to offer money for bus systems to come to Marshville. She does not feel enough people will use it. Town Manager said that Mr. Hansen said that the Town of Marshville can revisit this idea in two or three years if we see more growth and a need. Town Manager said that the current services provided to our citizens for transportation would not change. However, Union County wants to know if Marshville would like to enhance what we already have. One council member asked Town Manager Deese if we should send our own survey out for the citizens. Town Manager Deese gave the costs to do a survey. He also mentioned that Union County did a survey, and Marshville residents did not respond. Mayor Smith said that until we have the necessary numbers to make it worth the cost, he does not feel the need to change any of our transportation services. Town Manager Deese asked if the Council would like him to tell Union County that we cannot use the additional transit services at this time. The Council agreed that no other transit services were needed.

Manager's Comments: Town Manager Deese would like permission to hold a Public Hearing on August 1 to hear public comments on a System Development Fee. He reminded the Council that we needed an engineering study to determine the correct fees. The study had to be posted for review for forty-five days. That has happened. Now we need to hear the public's comments concerning the study. The maximum amount we can charge for System Development Fee for water is \$3,323.00. The System Development Fees for sewer have a maximum amount we can charge \$11,311.00. This fee is for developers coming to town who want to build homes that do not already have access to water and sewer lines. The fee applies if new public lines a placed in the ground. The Council agreed to have the Public Hearing on August 1, 2022. Town Manager

A motion was made to go into closed session by Mayor Pro-tem Staton and seconded by Council Member Huntley. All ayes.

Closed Session G.S. 143-318.11 (a)(5)

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 body in negotiating (i) the price and other material terms of a contract or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchase, option, exchange, or lease; or (ii) the amount of compensation and other material terms of an employment contract or proposed employment contract.

Adjournment: Mayor Pro-tem Staton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Bivens seconded this. All ayes. 8:35 pm

Approved this 15+ day of August, 2022

ATTEST

Ann Sutton, Town Clerk