



MINUTES

Tuesday, August 22, 2023: 3:00 PM

Town Council Work Session

C. Michael Haney Community Room: Southern Pines Police Department
450 W. Pennsylvania Ave

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Haney called the meeting to order. The following members of Town Council were present: Mayor Carol Haney; Taylor Clement; Paul Murphy; Bill Pate; and Ann Petersen.

2. TOWN MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Town Manager Reagan Parsons reviewed the agenda.

3. UPDATES AND DISCUSSION

a. TeamWorkz - Cliff Brown

Cliff Brown is the founder and director of [Team Workz](#), located at 152 S. Stephens St. Team Workz provides resources to serve local homeless people. Mr. Brown will provide a brief overview of his organization's work and share some facts related to Southern Pines.

Cliff Brown of TeamWorkz presented to the Council a history of the organization, an explanation of their mission and purpose and an overview of the people they are working to help.

Discussion ensued.

John From Daymark in Sanford commented to the Council on the need for these types of services.

b. Resolutions Updating the Town of Southern Pines Public Forum Policies

Staff has updated the Southern Pines Public Forum Policy and the Southern Pines Library Use Policy in regards to 1st Amendment issues.

Town Attorney Mac McCarley presented the proposed resolutions to the Council.

Discussion ensued.

c. MPO Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Meeting Update

Update regarding the MPO meeting that took place on 08/17/2023.

Town Manager Parsons presented the update to the Council.

2 items of controversy:

- implementation of a weighted voting formula
- personnel board created from the 3 largest municipality managers or rotation of members?

name now SAMPO or SAPO

Discussion ensued.

Once MOU is agreed upon, then it will go to Mac for review.

4. ACTION ITEMS

a. Ordinance #3001 - Amending the FY 2023/2024 Budget to purchase 60 ft Lift for Buildings and Grounds

Ordinance #3001 - Amending the FY 2023/2024 Budget to purchase 60 ft Lift for Buildings and Grounds

Town Manager Parson's gave an overview of the request.

Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Pate moved to approve Ordinance #3001 - Amending the FY 2023/2024 Budget to purchase 60 ft Lift for Buildings and Grounds, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy; the vote was unanimous.

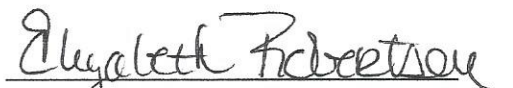
5. COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

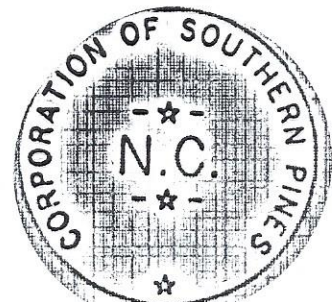
- Councilmember Clement reminded the Council that they were to provide food for the Freedged this week. After discussion, they agreed to meet at the Freedged at 8:00 am on Monday.
- Councilmember Clement asked about staffing in the planning department and was told that the Planning Director is working on the job description for a Planner II position and they hope to advertise the open position soon. Councilmember Clement asked that the job posting be forwarded to her when ready so that she can inquire about advertising it at local veterans organizations.
- Councilmember Petersen questioned whether staff would have time to enforce and regulate the ordinance regarding outside lighting levels. The staff feels that they are capable and this is something the code enforcement officer can do, though the town does not usually proactively look for violations and just responds to complaints.
- Councilmember Pate suggested sending notification letters regarding the ordinance change to give businesses a chance to comply.
- Mayor Pro Tem Murphy asked if there is a chance of harm from reducing the lights and was told that the current ordinance is in accordance to the recommended safety standards.
- Councilmember Petersen stated that she wants to ensure that the Town planning department staff are involved in the re-writing of CLRP.
- Requests new proposed language for the FRR zoning. Planning Director Grieve is working on the amendment to strike the unfinished sentence
- Asks to remove multifamily from OS - Planning Director Grieve suggested for every 1 unit, then 100 feet of business required. Councilmember Petersen would like the word *encourage* removed and replaced with a mandated *shall*.
- removal of multifamily from os has already been done for projects of 10 or more units.
- Councilmember Petersen advised that she met with citizens at Longleaf and was told that former Planning Director Chris Kennedy was setting up a meeting before he left regarding the multi-modal path and nothing had ever been rescheduled.
- Councilmember Pate advised that plans have not been finalized and once they are drawn up then neighborhood meetings will be held.
- Councilmember Pate requested an update on the proposed conversion to 1 way traffic on Broad St.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mayor Pro Tem Murphy, seconded by Councilmember Petersen and carried unanimously, Council adjourned at 4:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted:


Elizabeth Robertson, Town Clerk



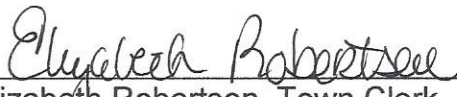


**ORDINANCE #3001
AMENDING THE 2023/2024 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET
60 FT LIFT**

BE IT ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED by the Town Council of the Town of Southern Pines in regular session assembled this 22nd day of August, 2023 that the Operating Budget for the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 be and hereby is amended as follows:

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>LINE ITEM</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>DECREASE</u>
Buildings & Grounds	Capital – Other Equipment	10-640-7403	\$77,895.00	
General Fund	Fund Balance Appropriations	10-397-1000	\$77,895.00	

I certify that this ordinance was adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Southern Pines at its meeting of August 22, 2023 as shown in the minutes of the Town Council for that date.


Elizabeth Robertson, Town Clerk

