

Town of Mineral Springs  
Town Hall  
3506 S. Potter Road  
Town Council  
Regular Meeting  
July 13, 2017~ 7:30 PM

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Minutes

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The Town Council of the Town of Mineral Springs, North Carolina, met in Regular Session at the Mineral Springs Town Hall, Mineral Springs, North Carolina, at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 13, 2017.

**Present:** Mayor Frederick Becker III, Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Neill, Councilwoman Valerie Coffey, Councilman Jerry Countryman, Councilwoman Bettylyn Kraft, Town Clerk/Zoning Administrator Vicky Brooks and Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector Janet Ridings.

**Absent:** Councilwoman Janet Critz, Councilwoman Lundeen Cureton and Attorney Bobby Griffin.

**Visitors:** None.

With a quorum present Mayor Frederick Becker called the Regular Town Council Meeting of July 14, 2016 to order at 7:31 p.m.

1. **Opening**

- Councilwoman Neill delivered the invocation.
- Pledge of Allegiance.

2. **Public Comments**

- There were no public comments.

3. **Consent Agenda**

- **Councilwoman Neill** made a **motion** to approve the consent agenda as presented containing the following:

- A. *June 8, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes*
- B. *May 2017 Tax Collector's Report*
- C. *May 2017 Finance Report*

and **Councilman Countryman** seconded. The motion passed unanimously as follows:

Ayes: Coffey, Countryman, Krafft and Neill  
Nays: None

4. **Consideration of Town Clerk Attending a Course at UNC School of Government**

- Mayor Becker explained the materials were in the agenda packet on the class that Ms. Brooks feels would really be worth taking if the council wants to approve attendance at that class on August 9, 2017.
- **Councilman Countryman** made a **motion** to send Ms. Brooks to the class [Social Media Strategies for Government Professionals] on August 9, 2017 and **Councilwoman Krafft** seconded. The motion passed unanimously as follows:

Ayes: Coffey, Countryman, Krafft and Neill

Nays: None

5. **4<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival Volunteer Sign-Up and Town “Tent” Council Sign-Up**

- Mayor Becker pointed out he would turn over the festival sign-up material to Ms. Brooks. Councilwoman Krafft mentioned she would be in the kids part the whole time and won't be able to be in the [town] tent. Mayor Becker noted the same went for him unless something changed, because he would be at the back of the stage. Councilwoman Krafft asked Ms. Brooks how she was coming on sponsors. Ms. Brooks responded she had three \$250 ones and on \$150 one. Councilman Countryman asked what it cost to do the [nonprofit] tent last year - \$150? Ms. Brooks responded yes. Councilman Countryman agreed to sponsor the nonprofit tent.
- Ms. Brooks pointed out the council would probably want to have the sign-up sheet settled by the next meeting. Councilman Countryman commented they didn't need a sign-up sheet, because they are in the tent all the time. Councilwoman Coffey added they would keep it covered; she would be there all day.
- The council discussed other volunteerism for setting up prior to the festival (i.e. the nonprofit tent, children's play area, fencing, stage/tent, etc.) Councilman Countryman suggested Mike Helms. Ms. Brooks mentioned that Jim Muller and the Rinks have volunteered to do some of the set-up on Thursday night; Mr. Muller will also be there on Tuesday to help with the stage and tent. Councilwoman Krafft will help on Friday after she gets off work around 12:30 p.m. Councilman Countryman remembered that he wouldn't even be here, because he was going to be in Argentina and wasn't sure when he would return. Councilwoman Neill suggested getting some of the Parkwood football players to help. Mayor Becker responded they would be playing a game on Friday and they have practice until late every night, but there are other sports and Councilwoman Cureton is good friends with the basketball coach; he is always saying, "whatever you need". Councilwoman Neill also suggested checking with the scouts. Ms. Brooks mentioned Barbara Lopez had said she would help on the day of the festival. Councilman Countryman commented that he wouldn't commit his lovely wife, but he would have to think she might want to do something since he was not going to be in town.

6. **Staff Reports**

- Ms. Brooks announced the resignation of Richard Marcello from the planning board and explained that Michael Rutland was in line to be the next one if the council wanted her to contact him. Councilman Countryman and Councilwoman Krafft responded yes. Ms. Brooks asked if the council wanted to do the whole thing all

over again. Councilman Countryman responded “no, contact him”. Councilwoman Krafft concurred. Mayor Becker commented they would do that and have it on the agenda for next month if he is willing to do it. Councilwoman Krafft asked if Mr. Marcello was okay. Ms. Brooks responded yes.

7. **Other Business**

- Councilman Countryman asked if there was any progress being made in reestablishing/revising the nuisance ordinance. Mayor Becker responded that he had spoken briefly with Councilwoman Critz and she doesn't know when in August that woman [at the School of Government] is going to be back, but she wants to go up there and meet with them; that is still on tap for early August. Mayor Becker stated he didn't know if she would be ready at the meeting or not. Councilman Countryman asked if they had any more input other than what they were aware of. Ms. Brooks responded no. Mayor Becker commented hopefully things will smooth out and they will be able to move forward.

8. **Adjournment**

- ***Councilwoman Coffey made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Countryman seconded. The motion passed unanimously as follows:***

*Ayes: Coffey, Countryman, Krafft and Neill*

*Nays: None*

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.
- The next regular meeting will be on Thursday, August 10, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. at the Mineral Springs Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Vicky A. Brooks, CMC, NCCMC, Town Clerk

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Frederick Becker III, Mayor