

The
Village
of *Walnut Creek*

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The Village of Walnut Creek Council met in Regular Session, October 25, 2017, at 7:30pm, 103 Village Drive.

PRESENT:

Mayor Danny Jackson
Mayor Pro- Tem Greg Ricker
Councilman Pete Benton

Councilwoman Cyndi Dupuy
Chief Robert Parchman
Attorney Phil Baddour
Administrator Sharon Geelen

Also in attendance:

Steve Lamb
Jeanne Noble
John Seegars
Bryan & Cheryl Belden

Mayor Danny Jackson called the meeting to order and Andrew Daniels led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Danny Jackson provided the opening prayer.

The minutes and financials for September 2017 were presented. Councilman Pete Benton moved the minutes and financials be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

Sargent Belden:

Mayor Danny Jackson presented a plaque to Sargent Belden for his service to the Village of Walnut Creek upon his retirement. Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Ricker spoke and thanked Sargent Belden for his years of service.

Public Comment:

Mr. Steve Lamb addressed the upcoming election on November 7, 2017. Polls will be opening at 6:30 AM at the New Hope Friends Church on 4451 Hwy 70 East in Goldsboro, NC.

Councilmember Comments:

Mayor Danny Jackson thanked Administrator Sharon Geelen for her 7.5 years of service to the Village as she leaves her position of Administrator on October 31, 2017. Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Ricker also spoke highly of Mrs. Geelen's service to the Village. Councilwoman Cyndi Dupuy addressed how well Mrs. Geelen knew the residents and went above and beyond on her service to the Village. Councilman Pete Benton also spoke highly of Mrs. Geelen and her personal and professional service to the Village and how much he appreciated her service.

Administrator Report:

Administrator Geelen gave an update on Hurricane Matthew and the Spillway. The hydraulic modeling has been very enlightening. Russ from Terracon believes they will not need to extend the existing spillway apron. They are going to modify the existing concrete structure and should come in significantly under budget and should still be able to meet the deadline of April 1st, 2018. He is going to write up a new schedule and will have it to Robert Parchman for the next monthly report that needs to be submitted to NC Public Safety. Administrator Geelen filed for the first reimbursement of \$88K from NCPS and will check to see how long it will take for the first reimbursement to come. Halloween is Tuesday, October 31, 2017 from 6-8pm. The election is November 7th and there are two council seats up for election. As mention by Mr. Lamb the polling place is New Hope Friends Church. The date was set during this portion of the meeting for the December meeting. It will be December 7, 2017.

Police Chief Report:

Chief Parchman gave his report. The Chief gave statistics on speeding warnings and violations issued for the month. The report also included statistics on the number of incidents late at night. Chief Parchman brought before the council his concerns regarding the postings or lack of postings on the hours at the park, the boat ramp and the tennis courts. Chief Parchman wanted the council to think about posting a "Closed Sign". Council Attorney Phil Baddour suggested the council adopt an ordinance to address the concerns about hours and closings. The council felt it would be fine to go ahead and post a "No Trespassing at any time" sign at the spillway since no one should be on the structure at any time. Chief Parchman presented his findings regarding Boat Stickers and showed a couple of examples along with pricing. Chief Parchman brought up the need for houses to be marked with visible house numbers for EMS and Police Identification in the case of an emergency.

Committee Reports:

Mayor Pro-Tem Ricker- Water & Sewer, Lake Committee, and Audit:

Mayor Pro-Tem Ricker wants the 2016-17 Finance Report to be presented at the December 2017 council meeting. Also the Lake Committee wanted the Buoy moved and the chain taken off at the boat ramp.

Councilwoman Cyndi Dupuy- Village Owned Property:

Councilwoman Dupuy mentioned the office being struck by lightning and the ground faults needing to be replaced and some of the ballasts for the lights. Repairs were under \$600. Councilwoman Dupuy also advised nuisance limbs were being trimmed on Village Owned Properties.

Councilman Daly-Police, Planning Board, Insurance:

No Report

Councilman Benton-Cable TV, Trash & Recycling:

Councilman Benton is working on the annual surveys for Cable TV. The surveys should be finished within the next week. Also mentioned the sub-contractors were doing a better job cleaning up behind their work.

Old Business:

Mayor Pro Tem Greg Ricker mentioned Duke Progress Energy

New Business:

None

Announcements & Correspondence:

None

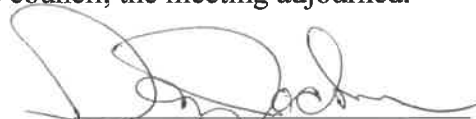
Closed Session:

There was a closed session regarding personnel matters.

Adjournment:

There being no further business before the council, the meeting adjourned.


Clerk, Peggy Page


Mayor Danny Jackson