

TOWN OF WEAVERVILLE

TOWN COUNCIL Minutes - April 20, 2015

The regular meeting of the Town Council for the Town of Weaverville was held on April 20, 2015, in the Council Chambers, at 30 South Main Street.

Present: Mayor Dottie Sherrill, Vice Mayor John Penley.
Council Members Walt Currie, Doug Dearth, Doug Jackson, and Gene Knoefel.
Attorney Patsy Brison. Staff: Terry Malone, Greg Stephens, Courtney Banks,
Tony Laughter, and Shelby Shields.

Absent: Interim Town Manager Mike Morgan.

Visitors: Tina Jenkins, Jill Britton, Barbara & Terry Dawson, Doug Theroux, Donna Bollinger, Jim Lark, David Rittenberg, Lou Sandberg, Ellie & Joe Cagnina, Rhonda & Jeff McKenna, Jamie Penley, Aileen Fleming, Alex Carmichael and several of his students from South College, Asheville.

Mayor Sherrill called the meeting to order.

Approval of the Agenda:

Council Member Jackson requested that a discussion on the A-B EDC line item in the proposed FY 2015-16 budget is added under Old Business. Ms. Brison asked that a request for a sewer easement from Serrus Creekside LLC. is added as item d., under New Business.

The motion was made by Council Member Knoefel to approve the Agenda with the addition of item **V. Old Business, a.** Discussion of Budget, line item A-B EDB, and **VI. New Business, d.** Serrus Creekside, LLC Easement. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Penley, and unanimously approved.

Public Comment:

Kara Patrick, Lakeshore Drive - asked the Town Council to consider sponsoring a community yard sale. She gave printed information to the Council.

Donna Bollinger, Kyfields - asked questions on approval and financing of the new gateway sign that is being built at Lake Louise.

Colin Van Etten, Flat Creek, stated that the Town Code of Ordinances, Sec. 16.1 Handgun regulations, is in violation of NC Gen. Stat. 14-415.23. Statewide Uniformity. Mr. Van Etten read the Section pertaining to the violation.

Consent Agenda:

- a. March 23, 2015 - Budget Workshop Minutes.
- b. March 23, 2015 - Town Council Meeting.

- c. Appointments to Weaverville's Conservation Board.
- d. Tax Report.

The motion to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented, was made by Council Member Dearth, seconded by Council Member Jackson, and unanimously approved.

Old Business:

a. Council Member Jackson stated that, after a more thorough review of the proposed 2015-2016 budget, he felt it was the appropriate time to request that the \$40,000 line item, in the proposed budget, for the membership in the A-B EDC should be removed. Money was taken from last year's Fund Balance to balance the 2014-2015 Budget. He felt that it should not be taken again this year, and made the motion to remove the \$40,000 from Economic Development Program in the proposed FY 2015-2016 Budget.

Council Member Knoefel felt the same, and agreed that the \$40,000 should be removed from the proposed budget, and seconded Mr. Jackson's motion to remove the money from the Economic Development Program.

Council Member Dearth did not support the motion to remove the money from the Economic Development Program. He felt it was short-sighted, and suggested to do away with the July 4th activities.

Council Member Currie and Vice Mayor Penley both favored the removal of the money from the proposed budget.

Public Comment:

Doug Theroux, 73 Hillcrest Drive, stated that he had been opposed to spending the money from the beginning, and felt that Arvato is one of the prime properties in Buncombe County, and that it isn't necessary to pay \$40,000 to get someone to look at the site.

The motion made by Council Member Jackson, seconded by Council Member Knoefel, was approved by a vote of 4 to 1 to remove the \$40,000 from the line item Economic Development Program in the proposed 2015-2016 budget. Council Member Dearth cast the vote in opposition.

New Business:

a. Approval of Audit Contract for FY 2015, 2016 and 2017:

Ms. Banks stated that, five (5) audit requests were sent out, only two were returned, Gould Killian CPA Group and Carter CPA. She gave the qualifications of each and their proposed fees. The motion was made by Council Member Knoefel to move forward with Gould Killian CPA Group to do the audit for FY 2015, 2016, and 2017, as proposed, and authorize Ms. Banks to sign the contract in behalf of the Town. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jackson, and unanimously approved.

b. Approval of Resolution Establishing Approved Signatures for HomeTrust Bank:

Ms. Banks stated that the Town has a safety deposit box, a business interest account and a certificate of deposit at HomeTrust Bank. New signature cards are required for the accounts, since the former signers are no longer with the Town. The motion was made by Council Member Knoefel to authorize Interim Town Manager Mike Morgan, and Finance Office Courtney Banks as new signers for the Certificate of deposit, safety deposit box, and business interest account held by HomeTrust Bank. The motion was seconded by Council Member Currie, and

unanimously approved.

c. Acceptance of Balcrank Water Line Easement:

Tony Laughter, Public Works Director, stated that Linter, North America Corporation, (Balcrank) purchased the old Shorewood Packing building on Monticello Road, and was in the process of completing an expansion and renovation. In doing so, they were required to relocate and upgrade of the water supply vault and fire line connections. Town staff has completed the final inspection of the vault and upgrades, and have approved the relocation/upgrade which required a new easement plat. Mr. Laughter explained the work that was done, which didn't require DENR's approval, or a guarantee since it was a relocation within the confines of the property. The motion was made by Council Member Currie to accept the waterline easement and authorize the Town Manager to execute any later documents, seconded by Council Member Knoefel, and unanimously approved.

d. Serrus Creekside, LLC. Easement Request:

Ms. Brison stated that she has received an Easement Agreement from Serrus Creekside, LLC, requesting a small rectangular shape easement from the Town, for the purpose of connecting onto an existing manhole on the MSD sewer line across Reems Creek. The MSD line is located on Town property across the Creek from the Creekside development. The permanent easement consists of 778 square feet (0.018 acre ±). The Easement Agreement has been reviewed by Ms. Reinhardt and Ms. Brison, and is allowed by NC Gen. Stat. 160A-273. After a discussion, the motion was made by Vice Mayor Penley, seconded by Council Member Knoefel, and unanimously approved to execute the Easement Agreement for Serrus Creekside, LLC, for a permanent easement consisting of 778 square feet, (0.018 acre ±) to the existing manhole in MSD sewer line, located on Town property, subject to Serrus Creekside, LLC, providing the Town with evidence of compliance with the required permits, (DENR, etc.).

Staff Reports:

Mayor Sherrill announced that the Town has received the Certificate of Achievement from Government Finance Office Association (GFOA).

Ms. Banks reported that the Town and Local Government Federal Credit Union will host a 'Shred Event Day' on Saturday, May 16, 2015, from 10:00AM until 1:00PM at the Town Hall. Citizens are invited to participate, and are limited to 3 boxes or 75 pounds.

The advertisement search for a new town manager is on going, and will close on April 30, 2015.

Department Reports:

All Department reports were included in the Agenda Package, and not given verbally by the Department Heads. The reports are available on the website and on the table at the meeting.

There being no further business, the motion was made by Council Member Currie, seconded by Council Member Dearth, and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting.