

June 28, 2024

At the Special Called Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen/women of the Town of Canton held at the Town Hall at 85 Summer Street, June 28, 2024, at 1:00pm Alderwoman Mull called the meeting to order with Aldermen/woman Hamlett, Proctor and Shepard present, the following proceedings were held.

A. Call to Order

Alderwoman Mull called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Alderwoman Mull stated that the Interim Town Manager Stinnett, Finance Officer Walker and Deputy Tax Collector Lurvey were present. Alderwoman Mull Mayor Smathers was on vacation.

C. Pledge/Invocation

Alderwoman Hamlett led those in attendance in reciting the pledge of allegiance.

D. Approval of Minutes:

N/A

E. Mayor Comments

N/A

F. Aldermen/women Comments:

Alderman Shepard asked that everyone stay safe on July 4th.

G. Public Comments

Terryll Evans along with Robin Black presented a mural rock that would be placed between the USPS building and Robin Black's building. The mural would be a memorial to all past Pactiv employees. The 3x5 rock was donated by The Rockman, JM Landscaping would be donating the landscaping, and the other costs would be funded by Cruso Endowment. The rock would be installed before Labor Day.

H. Reports From the Manager

Interim Manager Stinnett mentioned that the Canton Lion's Club Carnival would start July 3. Monday through Friday it would operate 5:00pm until 10:00pm and on Saturday/Sunday it would operated 1:00pm until 10:00pm. She stated that most

of the required forms were completed and turned in, but that she was still waiting on a few that she anticipated would be turned in after the inspection.

Interim Manager Stinnett reminded the board of the July 4th plus 1 event and was proud to announce that the train funded by Cruso Endowment would make its debut.

Interim Manager Stinnett reminded the board of the employee picnic on July 3 at noon at Rec Park. She stated that the Employee of the Year would be announced and presented.

Interim Manager Stinnett stated that Rec Park did not have enough parking now. She stated that the street department would be restriping the parking lot soon and signs would be placed directing overflow parking to the River Ballfield.

Interim Manager Stinnett asked the board's consensus on stopping the sale of half commercial floats for parades. The floats cost \$600, and the Town must pick up the remaining balance if no one else purchases a half float. The board came to a consensus to stop the sale of half commercial floats.

Interim Manager Stinnett mentioned that the new black bear sign funded by Cruso Endowment was installed in the flower bed at Kobe and looked beautiful.

Interim Manager Stinnett made the board aware that the six-inch water valve that broke was due to old age and had rusted out.

Interim Manager Stinnett stated that a small fence had been ordered to block people from driving into Rec Park. She also made the board aware that there were restrictions on organized events within the park and that she had spoken with an organization regarding the rules.

Alderman Hamlett thanked Interim Manager Stinnett for the updates.

I. Reports from the Resiliency Recovery Manager

RRM Scheuer stated he had a few updates for the board.

- Rhoda, Skyline, and Meadowbrook projects will be starting soon.
- Town Hall Demo pushed out
- Armory is in Phase II and going through eligible items for FEMA
- Creech working on resubmitted the contract

- Chestnut Mountain Bridge preconference meeting would be after July 4th
- Lift Stations out to bid
- Camp Hope will be out to bid soon. SHPO requires a historian. Three cabins and the bathhouse were destroyed.
- Mill Recovery- Historic Preservation
- Comp Plan will be out to bid in the next few weeks

J. Old Business

N/A

K. New Business

Finance Officer Walker presented budget amendments for the year end budget amendments. Alderman Hamlett made a motion to approve the budget amendments as presented. Alderwoman Shepard seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Finance Officer Walker presented budget amendments for the capital WWTP project. Alderman Hamlett made a motion to approve the budget amendment as presented. Alderwoman Shepard seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Interim Manager Stinnett presented the amended Labor Day Ordinance. Alderwoman Proctor made a motion to approve the ordinance as presented. Alderman Hamlett seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Interim Manager Stinnett presented the contract for Hyatt Pipeline. Alderman Hamlett made a motion to approve the contract as presented. Alderman Shepard seconded the motion. Motion carried.

L: Closed Session Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11 (a) (4)

At 1:33 p.m. Alderwoman Hamlett made a motion to enter closed pursuant to N. C. G. S. 143-318.11 (a) (4) economic development. Alderman Shepard seconded the motion. Motion Carried. After a lengthy discussion, Alderman Hamlett made a motion to enter open session at 2:54 p.m. Alderwoman Proctor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

M. Adjournment

The next scheduled meeting will be on Thursday July 11, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall located at 85 Summer Street, Canton, NC 28716. There being no additional business, Alderwoman

Mull adjourned the meeting at 2:54p.m.

Natalie Walker, Deputy Town Clerk