

MINUTES
King City Council
Regular Session
May 6, 2019

The King City Council met in regular session at King City Hall on Monday, May 6, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. Present were: Councilman Charles Allen, Councilman Brian Carico, Councilman Wesley Carter, Mayor Pro Tempore Rick McCraw, Mayor Jack Warren, City Manager Homer Dearmin, City Clerk Tammy Hatley, Director of Finance & Personnel Susan O'Brien, Director of Planning & Inspections Todd Cox, Fire Chief Steven Roberson, Chief of Police Jordan Boyette, City Engineer Scott Barrow, Public Utilities Superintendent Robert Pettitt, Public Utilities Superintendent Ricky Lewis, Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Ben Marion, Senior Center Director Suzan Garner, Parks & Recreation Director Olivia Smith, Fire Captain Matt Rhode, Lt. Dallas Hale, Sgt. Kenneth Gallimore, Sgt. Michael Christian, Chaplain Rick Hughes, Officers Grayson Vass, Felicia Craver, and Chase Sawyers.

Mayor Warren called the meeting to order and led the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

The invocation was offered.

Chaplain Hughes left the meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Warren noted the following announcements were listed on the agenda:

- Older Americans Month: May 1-31, 2019
- International Municipal Clerks Week: May 5-11, 2019
- King City Council, Called Budget Workshop: Tuesday, May 7, 2019, 8:30 a.m., King City Hall
- Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, Regular Meeting: Thursday, May 9, 2019, 7:00 p.m., King Recreation Acres Community Building
- National Police Week: May 12-18, 2019
- King City Council, Called Budget Workshop: Wednesday, May 15, 2019, 5:30 p.m., King City Hall
- Community Appearance Commission, Regular Meeting: Thursday, May 16, 2019, 3:30 p.m., King City Hall
- Annual King Senior, Senior Prom: Saturday, May 25, 2019, 6-9 p.m., King Senior Center
- Memorial Day Service: Sunday, May 26, 2019, 5:00 p.m., King Central Park, Sponsored by Carl Calloway American Legion Post #290 & Stokes County Arts Council; Rain Date: (Monday, May 27, 2019, 5:00 p.m.)
- City Hall Closed: Monday, May 27, 2019, in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday

ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

It was the consensus of the Council to adjust the agenda to include Executive Sessions for discussion of personnel and economic development per NC General Statutes 143-318.11 (a) 6 and 4 respectively.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Warren opened the floor to receive public comment.

Mrs. Ann Nichols, representing the King Public Library, 101 Pilot View Drive, King, NC; Mr. Jeff Hauser of 132 Lynne Avenue, King, NC; Mr. Steven Hewett of 141 Willowbend Drive, King, NC; and Mrs. Cathy Loveday, representing the King Chamber of Commerce, 181 Leeds Lane, King, NC addressed the Mayor and Council.

Being no one else present wishing to speak, Mayor Warren closed the public comment portion of the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilman Allen moved to approve the consent agenda as read. Mayor Pro Tempore McCraw seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote of 4-0. Items approved were: (1) March 25, 2019, called meeting minutes; (2) April 1, 2019, regular meeting minutes; and (3) Set public hearing for FY 2019-20 Budget on June 3, 2019, 7:00 p.m. at King City Hall.

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATIONS

City Clerk Hatley read a proclamation issued by Mayor Warren recognizing the 35th Anniversary of King Outreach Ministries. Mayor Pro Tempore McCraw read and presented the following proclamations on behalf of Mayor Warren: (1) National Older American's Month, (2) International Municipal Clerk's Week, (3) National Police Week, (4) and National Poppy Day.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES

Chief Boyette introduced officers Felicia Craver and Chase Sawyers and Manager Dearmin introduced Parks and Recreation Director, Olivia Smith, to the Mayor and Council.

PRESENTATION OF GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS AWARDS

Manager Dearmin presented certificates to Finance Director O'Brien for Financial Reporting Achievement and Popular Annual Financial Reports and noted that the City of King has received the Financial Reporting Achievement Award from the Government Finance Officers Association of the US and Canada for the 9th consecutive year. Of 31,656 municipalities in the United States with a population range of 1-9,999, only 329 or 1.04% received this award. The City of King has also received the award for Popular Annual Financial Reports for the 6th consecutive year. Of 35,879 municipalities in the United States, only 220 received this award.

UPDATE ON FEED STOKES 5-K BY MRS. ANGIE BAILEY

Mrs. Angie Bailey informed the Mayor and Council that the 2020 Feed Stokes will be held on March 14, 2020. The 2019 race resulted in a donation of 4,500+ cans of food and \$12,000 which were distributed to the food banks located within Stokes County. Mrs. Bailey thank the Mayor and Council for their support of this event.

REQUEST TO CREATE BYLAWS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND MAKE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Pro Tempore McCraw moved to approve the Bylaws creating an Economic Development Advisory Committee as submitted. (Attachment A to minutes) Councilman Allen seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote of 4-0.

Mayor Pro Tempore McCraw moved to make the following initial appointments to the City of King Economic Development Committee as follows: Garry Johnson and Gary Bowman to initial 2-year terms ending December 7, 2021, Josh Tuttle and Kent Hunter to 4-year terms ending December 5, 2023, and

Councilman Wesley Carter as Chairman for a 4-year term ending December 5, 2023. Councilman Carter seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote of 4-0.

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A MORE POWERFUL NC OPIOID AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

Councilman Allen moved to approve Resolution 2019-13, a resolution supporting *A More Powerful NC* opioid awareness campaign which is incorporated within the body of the minutes below. Mayor Pro Tempore McCraw and Councilman Carter seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote of 4-0.

**CITY OF KING
RESOLUTION 2019-13
RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A MORE POWERFUL NC OPIOID
AWARENESS CAMPAIGN**

WHEREAS the opioid epidemic, overdose deaths, and substance misuse pose a threat to the life, health, and well-being of North Carolina residents; and

WHEREAS life expectancy in the United States has declined for three years in a row for the first time since World War I, fueled in large part by a record number of drug overdose deaths; and

WHEREAS more people die from drug overdoses than car crashes; and

WHEREAS more than 13,000 North Carolina residents lost their lives to unintentional opioid overdoses between 1999 and 2017; and

WHEREAS the number of unintentional opioid overdose deaths in our state was nearly 17 times higher in 2017 than it was in 1999; and

WHEREAS more than 2,000 North Carolinians lost their lives to opioid overdoses in 2017 alone, or more than five people a day on average; and

WHEREAS for every opioid overdose death, there are nearly two hospitalizations and nearly four emergency department visits in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS the opioid epidemic has contributed to a rise in Hepatitis C and heart valve infections (endocarditis), among other serious and costly health consequences; and

WHEREAS the opioid epidemic has contributed to a significant rise in the number and rate of hospitalizations associated with drug withdrawal in newborns and a rise in the number of children in foster care; and

WHEREAS the economic cost of the opioid crisis exceeded \$500 billion in 2015 – equal to 2.8 percent of the U.S. Gross Domestic Product (GDP) that year – according to the White House Council of Economic Advisers; and

WHEREAS the opioid epidemic has imposed significant and continuing costs on our healthcare, criminal justice, and social service systems; and

WHEREAS the opioid epidemic has imposed major costs on private employers and the economy as a whole through excess sick days, disability claims, diminished productivity, and lost productivity due to incarceration and premature death; and

WHEREAS the opioid epidemic, overdose deaths, and substance misuse cause pain, suffering, and loss to individuals, families, and communities that can never be measured; and

WHEREAS the opioid epidemic continues to affect the City of King, as in the past three years, the City has seen an increase over past years in opioid overdoses; and

WHEREAS an effective response to the opioid epidemic combines prevention, intervention, treatment, recovery, harm reduction, and law enforcement strategies – including those outlined in North Carolina’s Opioid Action Plan and described on www.MorePowerfulNC.org; and

WHEREAS an effective response to the opioid epidemic requires commitment and collaboration among federal, state, and local governments as well as healthcare providers, businesses, foundations, non-profits, universities, colleges, schools, community coalitions, faith communities, and other community partners.

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that the City of King will join forces with others to address the opioid epidemic in King by:

- ✓ Continuing as a partner with the More Powerful NC opioid awareness campaign;
- ✓ Encouraging community members with substance use disorders to connect with treatment and recovery resources, and offering support and assistance to their families and loved ones;
- ✓ Supporting community members in treatment and recovery by getting the facts about addiction, treatment and recovery, helping to dispel myths and misconceptions, and reducing stigma;
- ✓ Continue to encourage community members to dispose of leftover medications and to secure needed medications that remain in the home through participating in Operation Medicine Drop and providing a drop box at the King Police Department;
- ✓ Encouraging community members to talk to healthcare providers – and encouraging healthcare providers to talk to patients and community members – about the risks associated with prescription pain medications and alternatives to opioids for treating pain;
- ✓ Encouraging community members to talk to their children, families, and loved ones about risks related to drug misuse and methods for coping with social pressure, stress and other challenges;
- ✓ Working with members of the faith community and encouraging them to get involved in efforts to address the opioid epidemic;
- ✓ Continue to work with the Stokes and Forsyth County School Systems to improve the current Opioid Prevention programs and curricula that help foster healthy students and discourage misuse of opioids and other drugs;
- ✓ Working with the business community to support community efforts to address the opioid epidemic and to create healthy and recovery-friendly workplaces;
- ✓ Encouraging community members to call 911 to report overdoses and to increase awareness of the state’s Good Samaritan law;
- ✓ Increasing awareness of and access to the overdose reversal drug naloxone;
- ✓ Continue to partner with the Stokes and Forsyth County Governments, the UNC School of Government and Blue Cross/Blue Shield of North Carolina to provide a comprehensive strategic plan to address opioids

in our community.

Adopted by the King City Council in regular session this 6th day of May, 2019.

CONSIDERATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY AUCTION RESOLUTION 2019-12

Councilman Carter moved to approve Resolution 2019-12, a resolution approving the electronic auction and disposal of surplus personal property, which is incorporated within the body of the minutes below. Mayor Pro Tempore McCraw seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote of 4-0.

**CITY OF KING
RESOLUTION NO. 2019-12
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ELECTRONIC AUCTION
AND DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY**

WHEREAS The City of King has accumulated personal property that is no longer necessary to meet the operational needs of the City. Traditionally, the City has declared such property to be surplus and disposed of such property by public auction in accordance with the requirements of N.C.G.S. 160A-270 and to dispose of surplus property with no value in accordance with N.C.G.S. 160A-266 (d).

WHEREAS, each of the items described on the next page is declared to be surplus to the needs of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KING that the sale of all surplus property by electronic auction in accordance with the requirements of N.C.G.S. 160A-270 is hereby authorized and the City Manager, or other staff designated by him, is authorized to give appropriate notice and conduct the sale in accordance with the requirements of all applicable laws.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, all surplus property shall be made available for inspection at reasonable times so that the sale can be conducted beginning on or after May 27, 2019 by electronic means at www.ci.king.nc.us and/or www.GovDeals.com. With appropriate notice given at www.ci.king.nc.us, the date, place and time of the sale may be changed by the City Manager. All items shall be sold for cash or other payment means approved by the City Manager.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the person designated to conduct the sale for the City Manager shall have the authority to remove items of surplus property from the list to be sold at any time prior to the acceptance of any bid and the conclusion of the transaction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City Manager is authorized to negotiate, execute and issue on behalf of the City all contracts necessary in order to conduct the sale of surplus property by electronic auction first, then private sale, including any contracts with public or private auction agents as allowed by statute, specifically including but not limited to a contract with GovDeals, Inc., if the City Manager deems such contract to be in the best interest of the City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the property listed below is declared surplus with no value and will be properly disposed in accordance with N.C.G.S. 160A-266 (d).

Adopted this the 6th day of May 2019.

City of King Electronic Surplus Property Sale			
2019 Auction Equipment			
Dept	Item Description	VIN or Serial# (if applicable)	Fixed Asset#
Police	2000 Toyota Avalon 2008 Pontiac Grand Prix	4T1BF28B2YU048480 2G2WP552981171668	
Public Utilities	White Diesel Generator with Transformer		

REQUEST BY FIRE DEPARTMENT TO UPGRADE SCBA TO CURRENT NFPA STANDARD

Councilman Carter moved to approve spending \$15,000 from the Forsyth County Fund Balance to upgrade the remaining four Self Contained Breathing Apparatus to current National Fire Protection Association standard. Councilman Allen seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote of 4-0.

CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET AMENDMENT 2018-02.08

Councilman Allen moved to approve Budget Amendment 2018-02.08 as presented. Mayor Pro Tempore McCraw seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote of 4-0.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS AND QUARTERLY STRATEGIC PLANNING REPORTS

There were no questions concerning the departmental or strategic planning reports.

Planning Director Cox was asked about the status of the code enforcement on houses located on S. Main Street and East King Street. Mr. Cox provided the Mayor and Council with updates.

ITEMS OF GENERAL CONCERN

Councilman Allen: Nothing at this time

Mayor Pro Tempore McCraw:

- Stated that Meet Me on Main, the annual Easter Egg Hunt, and Jazz Concert were great successes and thanked everyone who worked on the events
- Thanked Stokes County Economic Development Director Will Carter for attending the meeting.

Councilman Carico: Nothing at this time

Councilman Carter: Nothing at this time

Mayor Warren: Thanked everyone for attending tonight’s City Council meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION OF PERSONNEL PER NCGS 143-318.11 (A) (6) AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PER NCGS 143-318.11 (A) (4)

Councilman Allen moved to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussion of personnel per NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (6) and economic development per NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (4). Mayor Pro Tempore McCraw seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote of 4-0.

Mayor Warren reconvened the meeting and stated that no action had taken place during the executive session.

BIG OAKS BUSINESS PARK DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Mayor Pro Tempore McCraw moved to approve the Big Oaks Business Park Development Plan (Attachment B to minutes) as submitted by the Economic Development Committee. Councilman Allen seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote of 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tempore McCraw moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Allen seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote of 4-0. The meeting stood adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Approved by:

Attest:

Jack Warren
Mayor

Tamara H. Hatley, MMC, NCCMC
City Clerk