

**TOWN OF TURIN
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

March 17, 2015

7:00 PM

Mayor: **Alan D. Starr**
Council: **Tony Crunkleton, George Harris, Cindy Purcell, and Susan Reimer**
Clerk: **Paulette Brown**
Attorney: **Ted Meeker**

Planning Commission Chairman: **Mac Tignor**
Water Superintendent: **Absent**
Guest: **See attached sheet**

I. Mayor called the Meeting to order

- ***Mayor Starr explained why the advertised Public Meeting had been cancelled***

II. Invocation

III. Reading and acceptance of draft minutes from February 17, 2015 Council Meeting

- ***A MOTION was MADE by Tony Crunkleton, SECONDED by Susan Reimer and carried to accept the minutes as written with correction.***

IV. Citizen Comments or Public Comments

- ***Mrs. Margarette Bolden shared her Coweta County lap robe with the public along with a newspaper article from The Citizen Paper. She purchased the lap robe from the Coweta County Historic Court House.***
- ***Mrs. Bolden also requested the Town to research as to why the Turin citizens could not have "The Citizen" newspaper, delivered to Turin. The paper is published in Fayette County.***
- ***Rick Bryant commented of the portion of Waldorf Avenue that is posted as a one-way street. However, traffic is still going both ways on the street. Recently a car going to wrong way on the street pulled out in front of another car on Railroad Street. This caused the car on Railroad Street to skid into his yard almost up to his front porch.***
- ***Councilmember Tony Crunkleton volunteered to research the issue***
- ***Several comments were made from citizens concerning the removal of the signs that had been placed on the right-of-ways, which was in violations of the Town's sign ordinance.***
- ***Attorney had to address the issue with the citizens to clarify the violation. At this point Planning Commission Chairman read a portion of the Sign Ordinance.***
- ***Again Councilmember Cindy Purcell stated this is another reason the Town's need for a Code Enforcement Officer.***
- ***Several citizens also commented on the proposed subdivision (Briarwood Commons). All negative comments, such as traffic, density, tax structure, no control of the subdivision and general impact on the Town.***
- ***One citizen recommended the Town should place a moratorium on all new construction.***

V. Old Business

Update on vendors at Intersection of Hwy 16 and Hwy 54

- ***Nothing to report***

Review request from Jay Jones on Weather Siren

- ***Tabled until April Meeting***

Updates on Training Classes (handouts)

- **Mac requested the Council to consider the Planning & Zoning Training to be held in Lawrenceville on May 20th and June 10th.**

Review updated quote from Innovative Computers on sound system

- **After brief discussion, it was tabled until April**

Update on the progress of the Websites

- **Councilmember Susan Reimer has research several different companies and quotes.**
- **Would like to form a Committee to review which company would most fit the Town's needs...**
- **Recommended a Facebook page that would have all private settings with only Town's Government business posted with the Clerk as the administrator. The general public could not make any comments or any changes to the page. A MOTION was MADE by Susan Reimer, SECONDED by Cindy Purcell and carried to start the Facebook Page with Government information only.**
- **A MOTION was MADE by Susan Reimer, SECONDED by Cindy Purcell and carried to present the recommendation at the April meeting.**

Update on water agreement with Sharpsburg

- **According to Mayor Starr, this has been tabled with Turin and Sharpsburg until the agreement with Coweta County is completed.**

Review rental policy for Town Hall and Community Building

- **After discussion of the Town Hall and Community Building being used without all fees being paid. A MOTION was MADE by Tony Crunkleton, SECONDED by Susan Reimer and carried to accept that anytime either building (Town Hall and Community Building) is used all fees will be collected.**

Request zoning change on Community Building from R-1 Residential to GC- General Commercial.

- **A MOTION was MADE by Tony Crunkleton, SECONDED by Cindy Purcell and carried to accept to forward the request to rezone the Community Building to the Planning Commission.**

VI. New Business

Discuss developing policy on Property Management

- **There should be accountability for all of the Town's property.**
- **A MOTION was MADE by Cindy Purcell, SECONDED by Tony Crunkleton and carried to accept to adopt a policy on Property Management.**

Review 2015 Budget

- **A MOTION was MADE by Susan Reimer, SECONDED by Cindy Purcell and carried to accept to continue the 2014 Budget and schedule a Public /Workshop on April 14th to discuss and review the 2015 Budget. Approve the budget at the April 21st regular Council Meeting.**

Discuss possibility of a rest area/park area at rear and side yard of Community Building.

- **Councilmember Tony Crunkleton proposed a rest area at the rear of the Community Building, to include 2 tables, 8 chairs, benches, a water hydrant, trash receptacles and maybe a hand pump to the bikers to use. Also mentioned the possibility of a dog park**
- **A MOTION was MADE by Susan Reimer, SECONDED by Cindy Purcell and carried to accept for Councilmember Crunkleton to spearhead the project.**

Discuss Property Taxes

Mayor Starr spoke on the need for property tax

- **A MOTION was MADE by Susan Reimer, SECONDED by Cindy Purcell and carried to re-address the issue at the May meeting. Will need to get additional information from Brennan Jones and Coweta County.**

- VII. Update on changing the name of Johnson Street
- ***Name has been changed to Lacoja Trail effective March 18, 2015.***
 - ***Notices have been sent to all residents, the Post Offices in Senoia, Turin and Sharpsburg.***
- VIII. Update from Planning & Zoning
- ***Planning Commission Chairman Mac Tignor, review training from Carl Vision Institute and GMA***
 - ***Carl Vision was the better option.***
 - ***A MOTION was MADE by Tony Crunkleton, SECONDED by Susan Reimer and carried to pay for the training for the Planning Commission and any Council Members that would attend the training.***
- IX. Update from Water Superintendent
- ***Water Superintendent was absent***
 - ***According to the Clerk there has been no issues with the Water System to report***
- X. Mayor's Comments
- ***Thanked everyone for coming to the meeting***
 - ***A MOTION was MADE by Cindy Purcell, SECONDED by George Harris and carried to reschedule the Public Hearing on the rezoning the proposed subdivision (Briarwood Commons) for April 21, 2015***
- XI. Executive Session
- ***Nothing to discuss***
- XII. Adjourn
- ***A MOTION was MADE by Tony Crunkleton, SECONDED by Cindy Purcell and carried to adjourn.***