

Turin Town Council

Regular Council Meeting

April 25, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Mayor Alan Starr. Present in addition to Mayor Starr were Councilmembers; George Harris, Mike Frnka, Alan Stapp and Cindy Purcell. Also present was Town Attorney Ted Meeker and Town Clerk Tracey Townsend.

The invocation was delivered by Councilmember Frnka and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Councilmember Stapp made a motion to amend the agenda, under unfinished business; Fireworks & Text Amendment to Article 15.5.D should not read R20, seconded by Councilmember Frnka. Vote: All in favor.

Councilmember Stapp made a motion to accept the agenda as amended, seconded by Councilmember Frnka. Vote: All in favor.

Councilmember Harris made a motion to accept the following minutes:

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Budget Public Hearing 3/21/2016

Seconded by Councilmember Stapp. Vote: Councilmembers Stapp, Harris and Frnka approve, Councilmember Purcell opposed. Motion carries

Councilmember Stapp made a motion to begin the process to amend the Zoning Ordinance removing the R20 district, seconded by Councilmember Frnka. Vote: Councilmembers Stapp, Harris and Frnka approve, Councilmember Purcell opposed. Motion carries

Councilmember Stapp made a motion to begin the process to revert the property identified as Coweta County Tax Map Parcel # 136-1116-016A to RD Zoning District from R-20 Zoning District, seconded by Councilmember Frnka. Vote: Councilmembers Stapp, Harris and Frnka approve, Councilmember Purcell opposed. Motion carries

No update was given by the Turin East Coweta Historical Society, the Council is awaiting the agreement from the Town Attorney.

Planning & Zoning Chairperson Mac Tignor gave a presentation to provide a text amendment to the Zoning Ordinance in regards to the sales of Fireworks in order to comply with HB 110.

Councilmember Frnka made a motion to set a public hearing in May in regards to this Zoning Ordinance amendment, seconded by Councilmember Stapp. Vote: All in favor

Mac Tignor also present to the Council a text amendment to Article 15.5.D in order to comply with Georgia Law, seconded by Councilmember Stapp. Vote: All in favor

Mayor Starr gave an update in regards to the Water System: A leak was repaired on S. Hunter Street, and all else seems to operating well.

Councilmember Stapp stated that residents from the Oaks subdivision have complained about a foul smell from the water. Rusty Russell will be contacted in regards to flushing the lines.

Mayor Starr stated the Town is on the County's schedule for having repairs completed. He is also waiting on a quote from Piedmont Paving. The next major project will be N. Hunter Road from Hwy 16 to West Road, using LMIG funds, scheduled for January 2017.

Councilmember Stapp made a motion to revoke the Planning & Zoning protocol rules of order as pertaining to The Town of Turin Council, seconded by Councilmember Frnka. Vote: All in favor

Councilmember Stapp made a motion to implement a "No Spray Zone" for Norfolk Southern RR, including a plan for low growth and RR friendly planting, seconded by Councilmember Frnka. Vote: All in favor

Councilmember Frnka made a motion to reinstate the cell phone reimbursement for the Mayor, retroactive to January 2016, seconded by Councilmember Stapp. Vote: All in favor

Councilmember Frnka made a motion to table the subject to adopt rules of order for Council meetings, until the May Council meeting, seconded by Councilmember Stapp. Vote: All in favor

Susan Reimer, 152 Odom Road, made mention of the siren that is being installed by the water tower.

Councilmember Purcell gave an update on the projected delivery and installation based on discussions with Coweta County Emergency Management Director Jay Jones, and the siren is scheduled for April installation.

Mac Tignor, 245 N. Hunter Street, gave thanks to the Sheriff's Department in regards to the fact that he has seen an improvement of the traffic with the presence of more deputies patrolling. He also inquired about the background checks for the new employees and check signers and also about the sound system.

Mike Mihalek, 28 Red Oak Trail, asked about giving comments about rezoning. Mayor Starr stated that would be handled at the Public Hearing.

Kevin Rader, 45 Water Oak Drive, asked why would Turin create an Ordinance that was not in compliance with Georgia Law? Town Attorney Ted Meeker gave comment that he had missed it during review, but gave reassurance that no action has been taken in regards to that article. Mr. Rader asked what else may have been missed, to which he answered the ordinance has been under constant review. Mr. Rader questioned the wording of the fireworks facility, Mac Tignor read the definition which included the use of the word stand.

Mr. Rader then asked about the issuance of Business License, the Mayor stated these are approved in accordance to the Zoning Ordinance.

Sharpsburg Mayor Wendell Staley inquired about the water contract between the towns.

Brenda Henson, 2 Water Oak Drive, asked about the process of reverting the zoning district. Mrs. Henson stated the Council was elected and represents the Town of Turin, and everyone should have input, and the Council needs to listen.

Shawn Banach, 214 Railroad Street, asked if the ditches and repairs of Long Street were included in the schedule of repairs. Mayor Starr stated he and a representative from Carl Smith in order to establish a truck route and that should help with the damage to the streets.

Councilmember Stapp proposed redesigning the layout of the Clerks's office. Mayor Starr stated this item should be placed under unfinished business on May's agenda.

Mayor Starr stated the Town is working of having the Right of Way mowing completed and the Town is working on receiving quotes for landscaping and maintenance.


He also gave the statement that the Water contract between Sharpsburg and Turin is under review.

The Town is still seeking permission from Mrs. Hill in regards to placing the signs.

Councilmember Harris made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilmember Stapp.  
Vote: All in favor

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Approved this 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016.

  
Clerk