



Town of Walkertown, North Carolina
TUERSDAY 5:30 P.M. JUNE 19, 2008
WALKERTOWN TOWN HALL

SPECIAL CALLED WORKSHOP MEETING
MINUTES

The workshop meeting was called to order at 6:43 p.m. Present were Randy Mendenhall, Sarah Welch, Marilyn Martin, Lynn McKinnie, Scott Snow, and Doc Davis.

1. PETE MURPHY AND/OR KEN STAFFORD –
(Alley, Williams, Carmen, & King, Inc.)
PROPOSED PARK PROPERTY LAY-OUT & UPDATE
COMMUNITY HOUSE INFORMATION

Rather than Mr. Murphy or Mr. Stafford, Jeff Johnson attended the meeting to present the proposed park plan for the Town park (located behind town hall). He brought along a diagram which included various recommendations for the park. Some of the suggestions or recommendations on his plan included:

- ¼ mile walking trail
- A band shell
- Picnic Shelter
- Exercise apparatus and climbing toys and swings
- Horse shoe pits
- Frisbee golf course

The council added a few more recommendations:

- Clock
- Fountain
- Gazebo

Discussion included:

- Consideration should be given to how the new high school that is coming will affect the park.
- Most structures in the park would be pre-fabricated and could be placed easily.
- Grading of the land would not be an issue.
- Construction of the park would take six months from start to finish.

Discussion also included the directive to the mayor that he pursue speaking with the owner(s) of the property bordering the town park to see if they were interested in selling to the town.

2. JULY 4TH HOT DOG DAY UPDATE

- *Planning for 450 – 600 people
- *Port-a-Potties ordered (2 reg / 1 handicapped)
- *Food ordered – Food Lion – hot dogs, drinks, 3 sheet cakes
- *Down-Home Country Bluegrass Band playing

- *Jerry Goode may bring his group to pick and sing
- *500 small plastic flags to hand out
- *5 canopy tents
- *We have eight 6-foot tables and one 8-foot table along with 40 chairs
- *Hay bales??
- *Kathy Whicker is trying to get helium balloons for kids and perhaps “temp” tattoos
And she will get us “coupons” for any food/drinks that she can.
- *Wayne has talked with Main Street Diner to get onions and slaw
- *Perhaps coolers from Amos’??

The above topics were reviewed and it was decided that the “men” would set up the five recently purchased tents. The manager is to draw a diagram of how to set the area up for the tents.

3. WICKENHAM ROAD PARK BALLFIELDS

Lynn sent email to Todd Pickard and he replied that he has not rec’d any further info nor quotes on a septic system.

Mr. Pickard has asked to be on the agenda at the June 26th council meeting, however, a simple discussion was held concerning septic system and the concession building.

4. SIDEWALK UPDATE

Sidewalk situation was discussed with Mr. Snow saying nothing has been done – he is still studying the issue. The priority in sidewalking would be:

- Main Street to Depot Street
- Friendly Road to 311
- Morris Street
- Darrow Road

We agreed that we need to have “our ducks in a row” for when the “call for projects” comes out from Winston-Salem.

5. SHERIFF DEPARTMENT

Sheriff office is set up and in operation.

The Sheriff’s Department has moved in and the office is operational. Everyone agreed that the deputies’ presence in Walkertown is a good thing.

6. FALL FESTIVAL FOR 2009? 2010?

Many calls about Walkertown having a festival – Does anybody want to have a festival in the future??

The mayor has received questions about Walkertown having a Fall Festival again. Next year would be the 25th year of incorporation and would be a good time to start the tradition up again. Target date would be in late September or October, taking into consideration the Dixie Classic Fair as well as area festivals. Lynn is to check for festival dates.

7. BUDGET QUESTIONS??

The only change to the budget was the corrected raise amount for the council and the mayor and mileage reimbursement for council, mayor, and staff.

8. OTHER ISSUES?

- Children at Play signs should still be put up (they are on order at Websters’).
- Welcome to Walkertown signs should be either replaced or updated. Lynn and Scott are to work on these.
- Lynn is to check with Forsyth County on doing an ordinance requiring fencing around any proposed retention ponds.
- The meeting room at the fire station needs to proceed. Scott is to gather suggestions/recommendations to get the back room prepared to hold town meetings.
- It was decided that Mayor Davis would continue to be the conduit for giving the manager instructions and/or feedback from the council.
- Lynn was to remind Tom Lane to cut right-of-way on Martin Street.

ADJOURNMENT

By consensus of the council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn McKinnie
Town Clerk