

*****June 4, 2010*****

The Signal Mountain Town Council held a special agenda meeting on Monday, June 4, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in the Town Hall. Those present were:

Mayor Bill Lusk
Vice Mayor Susan Robertson
Councilmember Annette Allen
Councilmember Hershel Dick
Councilmember Paul Hendricks

Others present were: Office Clerk Sherry Morrison
Others (as noted and per attached sign-in list)

The agenda for the June 14, 2010 regular meeting was discussed as follows:

- Approval of the May 10th regular meeting minutes and June 4th agenda meeting minutes.
- A resolution recognizing Flag Day.
- A presentation of the Commercial Design Guidelines Report by Kennedy, Coulter, Rushing, and Watson.
- Resolutions authorizing ARRA public works projects bids.
- A resolution awarding the North Palisades guardrail construction bid.
- A resolution encouraging the state of Tennessee to purchase Mushroom Rock and its environs from the Wagner family for conservation. .Resolutions approving the new employee health and dental insurance contracts.
- First reading of the 2010-2011 budget ordinance
- First reading of the 2009-2010 budget amendment ordinance.
- First reading of a flood control ordinance.
- First reading of an ordinance approving a DRC application fee.
- Second reading of the municipal landscape ordinance.

James Cawthorne of Cawthorne Engineering was present to discuss an engineering plan for the Town's water line replacements in the Space House area. William Sanders, Utilities Director, John Vlasits, Fire Chief, and Randy Parker, Chattanooga Fire Chief, were also present. Various issues were discussed, including service line types, line locations – particularly at Balmoral Drive and Palisades Road--and the number and locations of new hydrants needed, and the financial responsibilities for installing, maintaining and securing them.

Bill Wallace, Chairman of the MACC Board, was present and offered a summary statement on behalf of the Board in support of the installation of a red roof atop the MACC. MACC Director Barbara Storm was also present. The statement urged the Council to either approve or disapprove the red roof immediately because the roof shingles had to be ordered that day in order for the MACC to be open for classes in the fall, and if disapproved, to state the reasons. Bob Franklin, the architect working with the Town on new roof design, said that if red weren't selected, Georgetown Gray would be

his preference. Councilmember Hendricks moved to accept the recommendation of the architect, staff, MACC Board, MACC Foundation, and DRC in favor of the red roof. Vice Mayor Robertson seconded the motion. After much discussion, the motion was defeated 1-4 with Councilmember Hendricks voting for and Mayor Lusk, Vice Mayor Robertson, and Councilmembers Allen and Dick voting against. Mayor Lusk moved to recommend the installation of a Georgetown Gray roof, which was close in color to the original slate, since there was insufficient time to involve the community in the decision to change the roof color to red. Councilmember Allen seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Building Inspector Chuck Gearhiser requested permission to apply for a second job in which he would serve as a mediator in property damage disputes outside of the Town's jurisdiction. Mayor Lusk explained that only the Town Manager could approve such a request. However, he would approve Mr. Gearhiser's request to submit his application ASAP if he agreed to include a statement that his ability to accept the job would be dependent on permission from the Town Manager. Councilmember Hendricks seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Loretta Hopper, Public Works Director, was present and introduced a proposal to construct rumble strips in certain areas along Shackleford Ridge Road. The Council discussed the advantages of rumble strips, strip types, and a proposed draft application and procedure for citizen requests for street calming devices in the future. Ms. Hopper agreed to obtain rumble strip cost estimates, review the Shackleford Ridge Road area with Boyd Veal, Police Chief, and formally submit the citizen request application to the Council for review.

Ms. Hopper then opened a discussion of a proposal by Allied Waste to provide their Recycle Bank service. This service would allow citizens/users to place all recyclables in one bin to be picked up at the curb and sorted by the company for a small fee. The Council was interested in the idea and asked Ms. Hopper to contact other Towns that use this service for references and to invite Allied Waste representatives to make a presentation on the service at a future meeting.

The next agenda session was scheduled for June 28th at 9:00 a.m.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.


Recorder



Bill Lusk, Mayor