

The Signal Mountain Town Council held a worksession on Monday, May 15, 2017 at 2:30 p.m.

Those present were: Mayor Chris J. Howley
Councilmember Dick Gee
Councilmember Dan Landrum
Councilmember Robert Spalding (arrived at 3:19 p.m.)
Councilmember Amy Speek

Others present were: Town Manager Boyd Veal
Finance Director/Town Recorder Carol White
See attached list for others present

Mayor Howley led the pledge of allegiance. A moment of silence was observed.

Resolutions

1. "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL FUNDS, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED NENETY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$90,000.00) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY."

Vice Mayor Gee motioned to approve the resolution. Councilmember Landrum seconded the motion. All present being in favor, the motion was approved.

FY 2017-2018 Budget Follow-Up Session

Boyd Veal, Town Manager, presented to the Council an update to the proposed budget for fiscal year 2017-18 based on the directives from the Council in previous budget worksessions. These current budget proposals include employee raises, a new administrative position, long-term capital expenditures, and an expected decline in Hall income tax.

Councilmember Spalding arrived at 3:19 p.m.

Mr. Veal explained that this budget proposal contains a proposed property tax rate increase of \$.30 cents per \$100 in valuation, which is less than the rate previously approved by the Council. In addition, the Council discussed anticipated fund balance positions.

Councilmember Speek made a motion to incorporate the changes presented at this worksession into the final version of the FY 2017-18 budget. Vice Mayor Gee seconded the motion. All present being in favor, the motion was approved.

Other Business

The Council discussed the need for additional meetings due to the large number of complex issues needing discussion and decisions, but decided to defer a decision on this issue.

Vice Mayor Gee said the Beautification Committee is working with the Signal Mountain Nursery on a landscaping plan for Coolidge Park. Mayor Howley asked if the committee would seek methods to improve the sign board area.

Loretta Hopper, Public Works Director, informed the Council that a recent meeting regarding the Shoal Creek Bridge project went very well. She informed them that a property owner has given easement for a temporary road while the bridge is being replaced. However, she said that the project is delayed since there is one homeowner who has not signed the easement papers for the bridge.

The Council discussed the proposed paving projects for this summer.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Dick Gee, Vice Mayor



Recorder