



**REGULAR MEETING OF
THE VILLAGE OF CLEMMONS COUNCIL
May 28, 2019**

The Village of Clemmons Council met on Tuesday, May 28, 2019, at 6 p.m. The meeting was held at the Village Hall, Clemmons, North Carolina. The following members were present: Mayor Wait, Council Members Barson, Binkley, Combest, Lofland, and Wrights. Attorney David Kasper was also present. Attorney Warren Kasper was absent.

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Wait called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcements

- A. Mayor Wait recognized NC Region 5 Science and Engineering Fair Winner, Jack Stieber (5th grade student at Southwest Elementary School) by presenting him with a certificate and number Hattie Butner Stagecoach print. Jack's parents, Volker and Angie Stieber were also in attendance.

- B. Council Member Combest honored Megan Ledbetter who has served the Village of Clemmons in the role of Planner for the last 12 years.

Council Member Combest moved to name the conference room "The Ledbetter Room" in honor of Megan Ledbetter. The motion was seconded by Council Member Barson and unanimously approved.

Mayor Wait recognized Megan Ledbetter by presenting her with a "Key to the Village" for her outstanding dedication to and work for the citizens of this community.

Public Comments

There were approximately 12 citizens in attendance. There were two individuals signed in to speak:

-Mary Cameron, 7927 Abelia Way, Clemmons, NC – thanked Council Member Combest for going to Raleigh to represent Council regarding the de-annexation request and honored and thanked Megan Ledbetter for her service to the Village of Clemmons.

-John Bost, 6600 Village Brook Trail, Clemmons, NC – thanked and honored Megan Ledbetter for her dedication and service to the Village of Clemmons.

Approval of the Minutes

Council Member Combest moved to approve the minutes of the May 6 & 13, 2019 special meeting (Budget Workshop) and to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2019 regular meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Barson and unanimously approved.

Approval of the Agenda

Council Member Wrights moved to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Barson and unanimously approved.

Business – Information/Review Items for Future Action

- A. Marketing and Communications Director's Report.
 - 1. *Events Update* – Marketing and Communications Director Ford provided an update on the following events:
 - Movie Night “*Smallfoot*” – Friday, May 31, 2019 at Jerry Long YMCA at sunset sponsored by Davie Medical Center, Forsyth Family Magazine and Piedmont Federal Savings Bank.

- B. Manager's Report.
 - 1. *Financial Report for April 2019* – report was presented.
 - 2. *Sheriff's Department Report for April 2019* – report was presented.
 - 3. *Village Boards Applications Update* – Manager Buffkin provided an update to Council and advised appointments would be made at their next regular meeting on June 10, 2019.
 - 4. *Records Retention & Disposition Schedule* – Manager Buffkin advised Council that the Archives Division of the Government Records Section of the DNCR produces a retention schedule outlining minimum retention periods for categories of records. Adoption of this schedule will be a consideration for Council at their next regular meeting.
 - 5. *De-annexation Bill Update* – Manager Buffkin provided a brief update stating that the bill was withdrawn from consideration following the hearing in the Finance Committee a couple of weeks ago. He advised that he had received notification that the bill could potentially be heard again at a later date by the Finance Committee and he will keep them apprised. The NCLM is currently monitoring any progress.

- C. Attorney's Report – nothing to report.

- D. Planner's Report.
 - 1. *Publix Wayfinding Discussion* – Publix has requested wayfinding signage at the intersection of Allegacy Way and Lewisville-Clemmons Road and also the intersection of Towncenter Drive and Jessie Lane. This signage would be developed by the Village through our wayfinding program (which is in the development process as part of the Market Center Drive project) and paid for by Publix. Publix would contract with the Village of Clemmons and the Village would have the wayfinding signage designed so it would be cohesive with Market Center Drive.

Council Member Barson moved to approve Publix wayfinding signage at their cost and Council's approval. The motion was seconded by Council Member Combest and unanimously approved.

Business – Action Items

- E. Public Hearing – Zoning Map Amendment of AAA Storage from LO-S (professional office) to GB-S (General Business-Special Use) (Storage Services, Retail) – Zoning Docket C-230 (continuation) – The petitioner submitted a formal withdrawal request to Council for consideration.

Council Member Barson moved to allow AAA Storage to withdraw their request from consideration. The motion was seconded by Council Member Lofland and unanimously approved.

- F. Resolution 2019-R-4 Supporting the Current North Carolina ABC Control System – Mayor Wait advised that there are two bills in the legislature looking to privatize liquor sales. Gregory Bradsher, Triad Municipal ABC Board Administrator, spoke to Council regarding how the ABC system operates. They are a non-profit organization that is geared to make a profit for their member agencies. They sell to the general public as well as bars and restaurants (the Village of Clemmons currently has approximately 25 bars/restaurants that purchase from them). He advised that there are only two areas where the state is involved in alcohol sales: approving items that can be sold within the state and ensuring the following of the state statutes. Other than that, it is run as a small business and has been in place since 1951. The Village of Clemmons voted in 1990 to sell alcohol. Since that time, the Village of Clemmons has received \$6.2 million in unrestricted revenue. This is a local quarterly distribution (from sales only as there are no state or local taxes involved in the sale of alcohol). He pointed out that the only ones that pay for the service are the consumers but every constituent benefits as the funds are distributed back to the community, it is sold in a very controlled manner, sell at the uniform price of the state, provide customer service, as with the \$.21 of every dollar that is for operations, they are able to fund the operations and return money to municipalities. He also spoke about the efficiency of the operation. He stated that the bill that is currently pending would have the funds filtering through the state down to the municipalities rather than a direct distribution. He clarified that this is not about the sale of alcohol but the control of the sale of alcohol. Council Member Combest stated he has a complete opposite viewpoint as government should not be involved. Finance Officer Stroud advised the distribution provided contributes approximately \$.017 toward the tax rate.

Council consensus was to direct Staff to place this item on the agenda for the next regular meeting on June 10, 2019.

- G. Prioritization 6.0 Call for Projects – Staff's recommendation is not to submit any STIP projects at this time.

Council consensus was to go along with Staff's recommendation and not submit any projects at this time.

H. Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget.

1. *Presentation of the Budget* – In accordance with North Carolina General Statutes, Manager Buffkin presented the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 General Fund Budget for \$7,891,150 and Stormwater Enterprise Budget for \$2,320,305. The property tax remains level at \$0.115 per \$100 valuation and Stormwater Utility Fee is reflected at \$5.00 per month per Equivalent Residential Unit. The budget can be viewed at Village Hall or on the Village's website.
2. *Call for a Public Hearing on June 10, 2019 at 6 p.m. to adopt the Budget Ordinance and to set the Stormwater Utility Fee Rate.*

Council Member Combest moved to call for the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Council Member Barson and unanimously approved.

- I. Council Comments – Council Member Lofland echoed Mary Cameron's comments regarding Council Member Combest attending the Finance Committee meeting in Raleigh representing Clemmons on the de-annexation request and expressed her appreciation. Council Member Combest pointed out that it was Council Member Barson who made a huge push and expressed the importance of a representative being in attendance.

Adjournment

Council Member Lofland moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Barson and unanimously approved.



John L. Wait
Mayor

ATTEST:



Lisa Shortt, NCCMC
Village Clerk