

SMITHFIELD APPEARANCE COMMISSION MINUTES

February 19, 2008

Members Present

Ann Ragland
Regina Sanders
Candace Jackson
Harold Tharrington
Ed Greer

Members Absent

Kay Long
Joe Morgan
Philip Starr
Wallace Ashley

Visitor: Anita Liverman

Staff Present

Mike McKinney, Code Enforcement Officer

I. Call to Order

Chairperson Tharrington called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 19, 2008 in the Conference Room of Town Hall.

Invocation

Chairperson Tharrington gave the invocation.

II. Introduction of New Member

Mr. Edward Greer was introduced to the Commission. He was greeted and welcomed by the entire Commission.

III. Tree City USA Presentation

Ms. Jennifer Rall, of the North Carolina Division of Forest Resources, gave an informative presentation regarding the Tree City USA Program. No action was taken regarding participation in the program. Additional discussion will take place at next month's meeting of the Commission.

IV. Approval Of Agenda

On motion of Regina Sanders and second of Candace Jackson, the agenda was approved. Unanimous.

V. Approval of Meeting Minutes, January 15, 2008

On motion of Candace Jackson and second of Regina Sanders, the meeting minutes were approved as corrected. Unanimous.

VI. Financial Report

Appearance Commission Budget, 10-5500-3700
J. B. George Fund

Balance: \$16,721.10
Balance: \$2,639.71

VII. Old Business

Street Tree Inventory Update: All the forms that were distributed to members for updating have been turned in to Mike McKinney.

North Carolina Urban Forest Council Membership: After much discussion, Ed Greer made a motion to join this organization as a single individual for a period of one(1) year. This motion was seconded by Candace Jackson. Unanimous.

70 East Entrance Sign Renovations: Wallace Ashley still has the community organization signs that were removed from the Welcome Sign. Ed Greer made a motion , seconded by Regina Sanders to request permission from the Town Council to conduct a public slogan contest for use on Town welcome signs. Unanimous.

Nomination of Officers: All nominated officers of the Commission have agreed to serve.

VIII. New Business

Litter Sweep Participation: On motion of Ed Greer and second of Regina Sanders, Staff was requested to inquire of the NCDOT who in Town is involved in this program and whether there were areas in which the Appearance Commission could render assistance to these participating organizations. Unanimous.

Wallace Ashley resigned from the Commission.

Philip Starr has been removed from the Commission.

IX. Adjournment

On motion of Candace Jackson and second of Ann Ragland, the meeting was adjourned.