

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK COUNCIL MEETING
ASSEMBLY ROOM
JULY 9, 2015
9:30 AM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Staton presided over the council meeting of July 9, 2015, at 9:30 a.m., in the Assembly Room of the Village Hall. Those present in addition to Mayor Staton were Vice Mayor Weedman and Council Members Chandler, Coletta, Farr, Gooch, and Jamerson, Village Clerk Parker and Village Administrator Boleman.

MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Staton led the group in a moment of silent meditation. He then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL / CHANGES

The *June 1, 2015 – Agenda Workshop Minutes*, and *June 11, 2015 – Council Meeting Minutes* were removed from the *Consent Agenda*. Vice Mayor Weedman made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Council Member Coletta. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Mr. Spitzen spoke about matters going before Council, and said they should be handled transparently.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Vice Mayor Weedman made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following;
 - 2014/2015 Tax Settlement

The motion was seconded by Council Member Farr and carried on a unanimous vote.

Special Reports

2. Administration – Village Administrator Boleman

Ms. Boleman reviewed the June 2015 zoning report dated July 7, 2015, and Village Administrator report dated July 9, 2015 (see attached reports). She received a letter from Duke Energy of upcoming informational open house meetings on the location of high voltage power lines. The schedule of meeting was forwarded to Council members, who were urged to attend one of the meetings.

Ms. Boleman received from Carolina Mountain Land Conservancy an invitation for members of Council and the Park Foundation board to a landowners appreciation dinner to be held on July 14, 2015, 5 – 7:30p.m. Ms. Boleman and Council Member Coletta will attend.

3. Park Update – Council Member Chandler

Council Member Chandler discussed the following:

- Bluebird houses have been installed.
- Astro turf has been removed from two areas. FitzSimons will put in topsoil and seed the areas.
- Ed Lastein will begin site design work for the playground project in two weeks; he will be the project manager.
- The Certificate of Occupancy for the Welcome Center has been received, final building cleaning has been scheduled, a minor plumbing issue is being resolved, and opening of the Welcome Center should be on Monday, July 13, 2015.
- A noise issue with the DVR security system fan is to be resolved.

He reported \$238,141 was budgeted for the Welcome Center, expenses to date are \$236,841.67, leaving \$1,299.33 under budget. He has a charge back of \$790.00 to the manufacturer for some issues.

Council gave the go ahead to proceed with design and construction of the pavilion; Steve Jamerson will be the project manager.

Mr. Chandler thanked Ed Lastein, Dave Bucher, Steve Jamerson and Michael Bowen, for all their hard work on the Welcome Center.

4. Foundation Update – Council Member Gooch

Council Member Gooch gave a financial update on donations and pledges received by the Foundation.

Ginger Brown hosted a party with plans to secure \$5,000.00 for a trail. Bill Boswell will host a party on August 7, 2015, to talk with prospects about supporting the park.

The Foundation will not hear about the PARTF grant applied for until the state has a budget in place.

October 17, 2015, event planning is going well. Park Foundation audit review will start July 27, 2015. Next board meeting is scheduled for July 13, 2015, to elect new officers.

Ms. Myra Grant talked about grants, and will be attending a workshop with Golden Leaf Foundation on August 5, 2015.

Old Business

New Business

Other Business

5. Mayor – Council Reports

Council Member Coletta reported she will upgrading the website.

Administrator Boleman reported a property owner that owns approximately 3.5 acres on Glassy Lane has agreed to sell 1.01 acres of his property to an adjacent property owner in Berwick Downs. The sale transaction will necessitate a subdivision of the Glassy Lane property. Since the property is more than three acres to be subdivided into only two lots, it is considered a minor subdivision. The Planning Board is scheduled to hear the case on July 30, 2015.

Mayor Staton advised that he will be out of town July 9 – 28, 2015.

Public Comments – Dave Bucher reported he has received tables for the community room at the park, but has not received the chairs.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:02 a.m., with no further discussions, the meeting was adjourned.

Michelle Parker, CMC
Village Clerk

Robert V. Staton
Mayor