

**TOWN OF ELON
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
AGENDA SESSION
February 4, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled agenda session of the Town of Elon Board of Aldermen was convened on February 4, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. in the Elon Municipal Building located at 104 S. Williamson Avenue. Mayor Jerry Tolley presided. Aldermen present included Jo Grimley, Mark Greene, Ron Klepcyk, Lawrence Slade and Davis Montgomery.

Staff present included Town Clerk DiAnne Enoch, Town Engineer Franz Holt, and Town Planner Sean Tencer.

Others present included Jesse Day, Christian Saconn, Hal Capps, Ken Mullen, and Rock Creek Record reporter Tiffany Jones.

MOTION TO APPROVE FOR BY REFERENCE THE ITEMS LISTED WITHIN THE CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Motion to approve the following minutes:
1. January 8, 2008; Regular Meeting

PRESENTATION

Mayor Tolley introduced the 3-A State Champion Coach Hal Capps. Mayor Tolley and Coach Capps shared historical facts concerning the Western football team and his son, Jerry Tolley. He called Coach Capps forward along with team captain Christian Saconn to present to them a resolution plaque. Mayor Tolley announced that the town would make copies of the resolution for the coach to give to team members. Coach Capps said that it was an honor to be head coach at Western Alamance in Elon, NC and thanked the board for giving him a great community in which to work. Pictures were taken.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Information concerning the bike/pedestrian/light plan program – presenter PTCOG Jesse Day

Mr. Day gave an overview and update of what has transpired since last year we they first started research on the plan.

Coach Capps re-entered the room to introduce the new principal at Western Alamance, Ms. Terri Spears. Another picture was taken. Ms. Spears apologized for her tardiness and asked that the Board not have a bad first impression of her.

Mr. Day continued his presentation to announce an upcoming meeting on February 13th to get the resident and citizens involved. He said also that a master plan survey had been created which collaborates the bike, sidewalks and lighting plans. He further stated that the survey were distributed to Twin Lakes, throughout the business community, at the University, Beth Schmidt park and would be available on line. Mr. Day announced members of the task force one being Ken Mullen representing the University and another Rob Saunders, a student of the University. He said the survey would be opened until the end of March then another meeting would be held with the results. Alderman Montgomery asked that all members of the planning board be invited to the meeting February 13th. Mayor Tolley thanked Mr. Day for coming.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- A. Motion to approve the resolution directing the clerk to investigate a petition rendered by Elon University to annex property on North O'Kelly Avenue.
B. Motion to approve the certification of sufficiency of the petition for annexation.
C. Motion to approve the resolution affixing the date of the public hearing on the question of annexation.

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Mayor Tolley asked the town clerk to explain items A through C stating that they were relevant to each other and all pertained to the University.

Mrs. Enoch explained the annexation process and gave a tentative timeline.

Alderman Montgomery asked about the 2.896 portion of the property, located on the other side of the bypass. Mr. Mullen explained that with the construction of the bypass it became another major thoroughfare into the campus. He said this would give the University the opportunity to beautify and implements some safety features into the corridor.

Mayor Tolley asked that this be placed on the regular agenda. He asked the clerk to see if items A through C could be voted on all at once.

D. Motion to approve or deny a text amendment to section 5.6.1 of the LDO concerning off-street parking.

Mr. Tencer gave an explanation. He said the town does not require paved and stripped parking. He said he had discussed this with Mayor Pro Tem Klepcyk and former Alderman Ed Swing. He stated further that Mayor Pro Tem Klepcyk stated that he would like to see this addressed. Mr. Tencer stated that aesthetically this would be nicer for new development. He said that the planning board voted 7 – 0 to approve this suggestion but asked that churches and non-profit organizations not be excluded as listed under letter B. Mr. Tencer stated he suggested excluding the churches and non-profits because of their money issues. He further explained that under item D if an area is not paved and stripped it would be grandfathered until its use changed. Mr. Tencer also explained that he exempted single family, agricultural use and temporary special events. Mayor Pro Tem Klepcyk elaborated to say that his concern stemmed back to the duplex on Green Street, which has a graveled drive. He said entrance on and off of state roads could be potentially dangerous with gravel. Mr. Tencer reiterated that single family no matter where you are located in the city limits of Elon would be exempt.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

A. Information concerning the Library planning group charette February 21st.

In the town manager's absent Mrs. Enoch explained that there would be two charettes held. The first one February 20th at Beth Schmidt park from 2 -4 and the second one at Elon Town Hall February 21st from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Mayor Tolley asked how the announcement of the meetings were being rendered. Mrs. Enoch replied that the Town Crier newsletter was being sent out, flyers would be circulated and that it would be on the Town's new website. The Board members made suggestions of other methods to distribute the news.

B. Morgan Place park topic on the County Commissioners agenda February 4th.

Mrs. Enoch announced that the County Commissioner approved Elon for the takeover of Morgan Place park. She explained that during the two- year process of exchange of property, Elon would have liberty to maintained and develop. Mrs. Enoch informed the Board that a copy of the letter and agreement would be in their packets next week. Mayor Tolley commented that thanks need to be extended to County Commissioner Larry Sharpe. He also informed the Board that there is someone wishing to donate \$20,000 for the improvement of the park as well as another \$15,000 for the walking trails. Alderman Montgomery commented that the park has great possibilities to connecting to the Beth Schmidt park.

Mayor Tolley asked for details of the Board Retreat. Mrs. Enoch gave the date time and location.

ITEMS FROM THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Alderman Montgomery commented on a luncheon he attended on behalf of the Board given by the Chamber. He also commented on the Chamber event held in the airport hangers. Mayor Tolley made acknowledgement of Alderman Montgomery's wife and the special award she received at the event.

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Aldermen Slade reminded the Board of the Fire Department's awards banquet being held on February 23rd.

Mayor Pro Tem Klepcyk announced that a TAC meeting would be held later in the month.

Mayor Tolley announced changes where the Board members are liaison to the various boards and commissions. He verified with Alderman Greene his agreement to be liaison to the Parks and Recreation Commission. Mayor Tolley also announced that he and Mayor Pro Tem Klepcyk had met with persons from the University about developing an ad hoc committee to study development in areas of Town identified as "Town Center". He said the fire house fields have been suggested as a good location for the proposed new library.

Mayor Tolley asked that everyone remember Mr. Dula in prayer with regard to the death of his father.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Tolley declared the meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.

Adopted this the 11th day of March 2008.

Jerry R. Tolley, Mayor

ATTEST:

DiAnne C. Enoch, Town Clerk