

CITY OF LENOIR
AFTER ACTION MEMO

To: Department Heads/Division Superintendents

From: Scott Hildebran, City Manager

Date: Thursday, June 9, 2016

Subject: Action taken by City Council on Tuesday, June 7, 2016.
Review all information to ensure that your department maintains
action taken by City Council.

- ✓ City Council approved the minutes from the City Council meeting of Tuesday, May 17 2016 as submitted.
- ✓ City Council approved the minutes from the Committee of the Whole meeting of Tuesday, May 24, 2016 as submitted.
- ✓ On behalf of several members of the Freedman Community, Reverend Charlie Rivens and others in attendance, addressed City Council regarding the status of the City's improvement project at the J. E. Broyhill Park. Mr. Rivens inquired about the timeline of the project plus the removal of the basketball court at the Park. It was noted the City has completed its portion of the demolition process, but is currently waiting on the release of Community Development Block Grant Funds (CDBG) which will be used to complete the remaining phase of the scheduled park improvements. It was further noted the park is the first improvement project to be completed as part of the City's North Main Street Area Beautification Plan.
- ✓ City Council approved the FY2016-2017 Annual Budget for the City of Lenoir with an effective date of July 1, 2016. The budget is comprised of \$16,148,851 General Fund, Special District, \$179,918, Tourism Development, \$60,000 and Water Fund \$8,116,201 for a total budget of \$24,502,970. The current property tax rate of \$0.58 per \$100 valuation remains unchanged. The budget contains a 3% sewer rate increase and a 2% COLA for employees beginning January 1, 2017. All other charges/fees remain unchanged. Councilmember Rohr voted against the budget.
- ✓ Dr. David Brendle, Shawn Moore, Luna Cycles, and other members of the audience, addressed City Council requesting a delay to the City adopting a resolution to accept a Conservation Easement from the NC Clean Water Management Trust Fund (NCCWMTF) Grant for a Conservation Easement on the Lenoir Watershed property. Mr. Moore and other citizens asked Council to consider a mountain bike trail on the Watershed property. Alice Briggs, Martin-McGill, stated that mountain biking on the tract conflicts with information she received from the NCCWMTF regarding mountain bikes and noted her attempts to contact the NCCWMTF was unsuccessful. Upon approval, the Conservation Easement would have to be amended by state officials to allow mountain bike trails as one of the allowed uses on the property. Due to conflicting

information, Councilman Todd Perdue made a motion, which carried unanimously, to table this item until the June 21 City Council Meeting in order to receive additional information from the state regarding the feasibility of mountain biking.

- ✓ City Council tabled a request for a Grant Project Administration Services Proposal in the amount of \$10,000 as submitted by Martin-McGill for the North Carolina Clean Water Trust Fund Grant as described above. By consensus of City Council, this item was tabled until the June 21 City Council Meeting.
- ✓ City Manager Scott Hildebran informed Council the City has received notification from NCDOT regarding additional cost the City may be responsible for regarding the completed Whitnel Interchange Project and stated City officials will be checking into this request.
- ✓ The following events for the month of June were highlighted:
 - The Sister Cities Committee will meet on Thursday, June 9 at 1:15 p.m. at 1841 Café.
 - The Lenoir Business Advisory Board will meet on Thursday, June 9 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, Third Floor, former Council Chambers.
 - The City/County Services Committee will meet on Monday, June 13 at 11:45 a.m.
 - The Caldwell County Economic Development Commission will meet on Tuesday, June 14 at 8:00 a.m.
 - The ABC Board will meet on Tuesday, June 14 at 5:30 pm. at Lenoir Store #1 located at 123 ABC Court.
 - Friday after Five is scheduled for Friday, June 10 from 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. with Rosa Russ performing on the square.
 - A Swingin' Wingin' Madness Musical Event is scheduled on Friday, June 17 from 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. downtown. The band "Classics Nautical Wheelers" will also be performing on the square.
 - The City/County Coordinating Committee will meet on Monday, June 20 at 11:30 a.m. at City Hall, Third Floor, former Council Chambers.
 - A Community Jazz Festival is scheduled for Saturday, June 25 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center. This event will serve as a fundraiser to assist the family of Archie Bowers, City employee, with his ongoing medical bills.