

CITY OF LENOIR

AFTER ACTION MEMO

To: Department Heads/Division Superintendents

From: Scott Hildebran, City Manager

Date: Thursday, August 17, 2016

Subject: Action taken by City Council on Tuesday, August 16, 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, August 2, 2016 as submitted.
- ✓ City Council approved a Conditional Use Permit for property located at 2421 Morganton Boulevard with conditions as recommended by the Planning Department. The applicant proposes a four bed 24-hour adolescent youth group care facility in the R-12 Single Family Zoning District known as “Focus Behavioral Health Services.”
- ✓ City Council reaffirmed a Municipal Speed Zone Ordinance for SR1523 (Nuway Circle) as requested by NCDOT to correct an error in the 25 mph ordinance on the north end of Nuway Circle between 0.28 miles south of SR1529 and 0.13 miles north of SR1529.
- ✓ City Council adopted an Order of Abatement directing Staff to proceed with the demolition and removal of the structure located at 330 Connelly Springs Road. This property is listed as number one (1) on the City’s Minimum Housing Priority List.
- ✓ City Council approved an amended FY2016 Unifour Consortium HOME Program Capital Project Budget Ordinance in the amount of \$1,023,802 as recommended by City Staff.
- ✓ Pursuant to N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a), (4), City Council entered into closed session to discuss economic development.
- ✓ Upon returning to open session, City Council scheduled a public hearing on Tuesday, September 6 to consider awarding an economic development incentive for Project A-Frame.
- ✓ Mayor Gibbons announced the City has received two Asset & Inventory Assessment (AIA) grants which were approved by the State Water Infrastructure Authority. The City received a \$140,000 Sewer AIA grant and an \$80,000 Water AIA grant to conduct an assessment inventory of the City’s water and sewer systems.
- ✓ On behalf of City Council, Mayor Gibbons congratulated Scott Brown, Chief of Police, upon his graduation from the UNC School of Government’s Public Executive Leadership Academy (PELA) on Friday, August 12.
- ✓ Sergeant Chris Bumgarner, Lenoir Police Department, presented a plaque to Benjamin McRary, 2016 graduate of Hibriten High School, for placing tenth in the nation at the Skills USA Criminal Justice Competition recently held in Louisville, Kentucky.

Benjamin also finished first in the region and first in the state level for this competition. He is employed part-time as a lifeguard at the City's Aquatic & Fitness Center.

- ✓ On behalf of City Council, Mayor Gibbons congratulated Chris Bumgarner upon his recent promotion to Sergeant and upon his graduation from Gardner Webb University.
- ✓ Mr. Randy Hintz, Asheville Regional Engineer, NCDEQ Public Water Supply Section, presented an award to Kevin Matheson, Water Treatment Plant Superintendent, for their participation in the 2015 N.C. Area-Wide Optimization Program. The plant has been the recipient of this award for six consecutive years. Radford Thomas, Public Utilities Director, commended Mr. Matheson along with all of the Staff for their dedication and hard work in operating the plant 24 hours per day, 365 days a year.
- ✓ Communications/Resources Director Kaye Reynolds reported the City has chosen the system (Everbridge) as its mass communication notification system for the general public. Training sessions for Staff are underway and the system will be fully implemented in the near future. Ms. Reynolds also pointed out the program has numerous features the City and public can utilize for communication methods and noted the system will be cost effective for the City.
- ✓ Communications/Resource Director Kaye Reynolds presented an update to City Council regarding the status of the City's Retire NC Program. Ms. Reynolds reported the first step is creating materials for the City along with guidelines for the community. Ms. Reynolds explained Lenoir was being promoted in *Ideal Living*, the Caldwell County publication and at visitor centers across the state. The next step for the City will be participating in an Expo and compiling packets for attendees. Statistics from the state also indicate that eight families have moved into the City during the past year.
- ✓ The following events for August were highlighted:
 - The Business Growth Committee and the Brownfield Advisory Committee will meet on Thursday, August 18 at 2:00 p.m. at City Hall, Third Floor, former Council Chambers.
 - Friday after Five is scheduled for Friday, August 19 from 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 pm. with the band "Nautical Wheelers" performing on the square.
 - The Lenoir Planning Board has cancelled their meeting of Monday, August 22. The next meeting will be held on Monday, September 25 at 5:30 p.m.
 - The Committee of the Whole will meet on Tuesday, August 23 at 8:30 a.m. at City Hall, Third Floor, former Council Chambers.
 - The Foothills Regional Airport Authority will meet on Wednesday, August 24 at noon.
 - An End of Summer Blues Bash is scheduled for Friday, August 26 from 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Matt Stratford and other bands will be performing on the downtown square.
 - Fabulous Film Night is scheduled for Saturday, August 27 with the movie "Zootopia" being shown on the square at 8:30 p.m.
 - A Cruise-In Event will be held on Saturday, September 3 from 4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. in downtown Lenoir.
 - City offices will be closed on Monday, September 5 in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

- A Celebration and Community Meeting will be held on Sunday, September 4 from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. at the Freedman Cultural Center (former William Lenoir Middle School/Freedman High School). The public is encouraged to attend.