



MEMO

To: Asheboro Redevelopment Commission
From: Trevor L. Nuttall, Community Development Division Director
Date: September 28, 2016
RE: Asheboro Redevelopment Commission Regular Meeting



The Asheboro Redevelopment Commission will have its regularly scheduled meeting on **Monday, October 3, 2016, at 9:00 a.m.** at City Hall, located at 146 North Church Street.

AGENDA
ASHEBORO REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
Monday, October 3, 2016
9:00 AM

- I. Call to order
- II. Approve minutes of last meeting (September 12, 2016)
- III. Updates on Items Discussed at September Commission Meeting
- IV. Calendar of Downtown Fall Events
- V. Appreciation Day for the Asheboro City Police and the Randolph
County Sheriff's Office - Randolph Concerned Citizens Against Crime
- VI. Items not on the agenda
- VII. Adjourn

Minutes
Asheboro Redevelopment Commission
September 12, 2016
9:00 AM

The Asheboro Redevelopment Commission held its meeting on Monday, September 12, 2016, at 9:00 AM in the Council Chambers located at 146 North Church Street, Asheboro, NC 27203

Members Present:

Linda Carter, Chair
Cynthia Bailey, Vice-Chair
David Jarrell
Tommy Lemonds
Jonna Libbert
Ann McGlohon
Roger Spoon

Members Absent:

Katie Snuggs

Also present were John Ogburn, City Manager; Ed Brown, Code Enforcement Officer; John Evans, Assistant Community Development Division Director; Bradley Morton, Planning Technician/Deputy City Clerk; Trevor Nuttall, Community Development Division Director.

One (1) citizen was present at this time.

Ms. Linda Carter called the meeting to order.

Approve Minutes Of Last Meeting (June 6, 2016)

Upon motion by Ms. Cynthia Bailey and seconded by Mr. David Jarrell, the commission unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2016 regular meeting.

Code Enforcement Update

Mr. Brown gave the commission a visual presentation on the current as well as the upcoming demolition projects occurring throughout the City of Asheboro. He highlighted 853 East Salisbury Street and mentioned that the Redevelopment Commission may be able to assist in processing this particular case. He also gave other examples of properties that have been recently demolished, are currently scheduled for demolition, and properties undergoing current enforcement action. He briefly discussed the processes he goes through to remove structures. Mr. Brown then addressed the hardships of enforcement from a standpoint that it could take years to remove a structure under the two options, condemned housing and minimum housing codes, that he uses. He stated that 853 E. Salisbury Street and 618 S. Park Street may need to be looked at by the council to assess a solution. This was made into a motion by Mr. Jarrell and seconded by Ms. Bailey. The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

ESFRLP16 Status

Mr. Nuttall reported on the status of the 2016 Essential Single Family Rehabilitation Loan Pool (ESFRLP16), stating that this is a forgivable loan made available to homeowners throughout Randolph County, which could include City of Asheboro residents. He mentioned that the Piedmont Triad Regional Council (PTRC) is overseeing the application review and selection process for the program. He also mentioned that the PTRC assisted the city during the 2015 Urgent Repair Program (URP15). He stated that the application period is rolling, and doesn't have a definitive deadline. He encouraged the commission to pass along information about the program to prospective applicants. He stated that the URP15 applicants who were not awarded repairs to their home have had their contact information forwarded to the PTRC. He mentioned that veterans are eligible to apply in addition to the elderly, disabled, and families with young children exposed to lead paint hazards, but the applicant will still have to be the owner of the home. He stated that approximately 12 homes could receive assistance given the money amount available. He stated that any information the city receives will go online at the time of arrival. Ms. Carter mentioned forwarding all the information to various veterans groups in the city. Mr. Nuttall mentioned that the program information had been shared with the Randolph County Housing Coalition, which has several agencies focused on serving veterans represented, and that we would continue to share information with other known agencies that serve veterans.

Downtown Revitalization State Funding

Mr. Nuttall reported on budget allocation at the state level to award certain projects in North Carolina for downtown revitalization. He mentioned that the City of Asheboro would use the state allocated funds for improvements to the parking lot on South Church Street across from West Academy Street. He thanked the North Carolina delegates for bringing money to the City of Asheboro.

Cranford Building Status

Mr. John Ogburn reported on this item. He gave a purchase history of the property. He stated that the property was the last piece of the Center City Planning Area. He stated that Jerry Neal and business partner Dustie Gregson won the bid for this property and it will be awarded to them at the next regular City Council meeting. He stated that the use would likely be some type of a mixed use commercial development with retail and a restaurant aspect. He also mentioned the possibility of an extended stay hotel on the top floor.

Staff Report on Potential Changes to Primary Fire District Boundary

Mr. Nuttall stated that the first district boundaries have not been analyzed in some 30 years. He stated that the intent of the Primary Fire District Boundary is to protect the vulnerable areas from fire due to the close proximity of the buildings to each other. He also stated that when construction or renovations take place in this particular district, careful review of building materials has to be given to ensure that they are non-combustible. He gave an overview of the area itself, stating that it covered the downtown blocks and also flagged north to Presnell Street and South to Kivett Street. He stated that the northernmost and southernmost areas located on North/South build areas are separated more so than the downtown square. He stated that the recommendation of staff was to set a public hearing

on the possibility of amending the fire district boundary and also to reconsider some of the standards of development within the district boundaries to make sure they still make sense in light of the layout and development patterns in the area and improvements that have been made since to building technologies, fire suppression techniques, and the state building code since the fire district was established.

Items not on the Agenda

Mr. Ogburn mentioned that on September 20th at 6 p.m., the Mayor's Fitness kickoff would occur at the Senior Adults Center. He also mentioned that on the 22nd of September, the Senior Adults annual meeting would take place. He stated that the Fall Festival would take place on October 1st and 2nd. Mr. Spoon asked if the former Saloon was open yet. Mr. Ogburn stated that it was not, but that it is being worked on and in the process of opening. Several of the commission members made positive comments on the new sandwich shop on Sunset Avenue. The members also positively commented on the Church Street restriping and resurfacing project. Mr. Ogburn spoke about the All-America City process and stated that there were items with the logo at the places of each commission member.

Adjournment

As no other business came before the commission, Ms. Carter adjourned the meeting.

Brad Morton, Secretary
Asheboro Redevelopment Commission