

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK AGENDA WORKSHOP MEETING
ASSEMBLY ROOM
JANUARY 3, 2017
9:30 A.M.

Mayor Staton presided over the Agenda Workshop meeting on January 3, 2017, at 9:30 a.m. Those present in addition to Mayor Staton were Vice Mayor Weedman, Council Members Brown, Coletta, Dockendorf, and Gooch, Village Clerk Parker and Village Administrator Boleman. Council Member Jamerson was not present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Staton led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A draft agenda for the January 12, 2017, Council Meeting was presented. With no changes, Mayor Staton stated an agenda has been set.

Discussions:

Council Member Coletta reported the annual Ice Cream Social is scheduled for Saturday, June 3, 2017; rain date, Sunday, June 4, 2017.

She and Council Member Brown attended a public information session on December 12, 2016, with the East Flat Rock Community Plan group regarding community development and transportation. Ms. Coletta distributed a draft *Land Use and Development Goals and Objectives* for the small plan area, none of which adversely affected the Village.

Council Member Brown suggested scheduling a park workshop meeting to discuss park projects prioritization. A park workshop meeting was scheduled for January 12, 2017, following the council meeting.

Vice Mayor Weedman suggested finishing up the projects that are underway in Phase 2, then stop the other projects to give Steve Jamerson a break and work on the operation and maintenance of the park.

There was a situation at the park with the gate arm stuck in lock position, and park users parking on Highland Golf Drive. Council Member Brown stated a sign with her contact information or Steve Jamerson's contact information will be installed for citizens to call to inform them of a problem with the gate instead on parking on Highland Golf Drive. Mark Stewart, a resident of Highland Golf Villas, had asked Ms. Brown about installing a "no parking" sign on the berm alongside Highland Golf Drive. Council members agreed that any such sign on private property should be a Highland Golf Villas responsibility and, if one is to be installed, it would not be at village expense.

Vice Mayor Weedman reported that, as of December 31, 2016, the current fiscal year tax collections are at 87.3%, with \$812,986.07 total collected (see attached report dated December 31, 2016).

Mr. Weedman mentioned council members had expressed concerns about charging a fee of \$1.25/hr for use of the electric vehicle charging stations, which charge will be implemented. He has notified Duke Energy that the Village accepts the grant for charging stations, and we will proceed with plans to install the stations.

Council Member Dockendorf brought up considering naming something at the park in memory of Ed Lastein and his contributions to the park and to Flat Rock. Council Member Brown made the suggestion to consider naming a trail in Ed's memory and having a ceremony upon completion of current trail work.

A Bike-Pedestrian plan public meeting is scheduled for January 23, 2017, from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., at the Village Hall to receive public input on the possibility of a trail from the Village Hall to the Park.

He reported NCDOT, instead of scheduling a meeting, will send Council a questionnaire for input on the Highland Lake Road project.

Mayor Staton received a request from Henderson County Tourism Development Authority for support for a right of way agreement between TDA and NCDOT for wayfinding signage to be placed in Flat Rock for the Flat Rock Playhouse, Carl Sandburg Home NHS, and St. John in the Wilderness.

With no further discussions, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Michelle Parker, CMC
Village Clerk

Robert V. Staton
Mayor