

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK AGENDA WORKSHOP MINUTES
ASSEMBLY ROOM
SEPTEMBER 5, 2017
9:30 A.M.

Mayor Staton presided over the September 5, 2017, agenda meeting at 9:30 a.m. Those present in addition to Mayor Staton were Vice Mayor Weedman, Council Members Brown, Coletta, Dockendorf, Gooch, and Jamerson, Village Clerk Parker and Administrator Boleman.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Staton led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A draft agenda of the September 14, 2017, council meeting was presented. With no changes, Mayor Staton stated an agenda has been set.

Discussions:

Vice Mayor Weedman stated it is a requirement of North Carolina law that Council approve the tax charge giving authorization for the Tax Collector to collect ad valorem taxes each fiscal year. Mr. Weedman made a motion to approve the tax charge for the Tax Collector to collect taxes in the amount of \$939,273.44 for FY 2017-2018. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gooch and carried on a unanimous vote.

Vice Mayor Weedman reported the dedication of the electric vehicle charging station is today at 11:00 a.m. Mr. Craig DeBrew of Duke Power will be in attendance, and Boyd Pontiac will provide two electric vehicles for demonstration. He explained currently there is no charge for citizens to use the station because the cost to the village is insignificant. He proposed to continue deferring the charges until there is significantly more usage of the facility, to which Council agreed.

Council Member Brown mentioned the Volunteer Appreciation Picnic is scheduled for September 9, 2017, in the pavilion at the park, at 12:00 noon, and the dedication of the Lastein Trail at 2:00 p.m.

Administrator Boleman mentioned the New Citizen Ceremony at Carl Sandburg is Monday, September 18, 2017, at 10:00 a.m., and asked for volunteers to help with our catering of the event.

NCDOT will present the proposed plan of the Highland Lake Road widening project to the public on September 12, 2017, 4 – 7p.m., at the Operations Center.

Mr. Chris Batista, President of Historic Flat Rock, Inc., Mr. Rick Merrill, and Mr. & Mrs. Joe Opperman expressed concerns about the impact of the widening of Highland Lake Road, and the historic feel of Flat Rock. Ms. Ruth Reeves stated she feels Council is thinking of this project as being park centered instead of the community. These citizens feel Council has the power to stop this NCDOT project, and it should do so.

Council Member Dockendorf encouraged the citizens to express their concerns and give comments to NCDOT at the public meeting on September 12th.

With no further comments, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Michelle Parker, CMC
Village Clerk

Robert V. Staton
Mayor