

The Smithfield Town Council met in special session on Tuesday, January 26, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Smithfield Town Hall. Mayor M. Andy Moore presided.

Councilmen Present:
J. Perry Harris, District 2
Travis Scott, District 3
John A. Dunn, At-Large
Stephen Rabil, At-Large

Councilmen Absent
Emery D. Ashley, Mayor Pro-Tem
Marlon Lee, District 1
Roger A. Wood, District 4

Administrative Staff Present
Jim Freeman, Interim Town Manager
Pete Connet, Interim Public Utilities Director
Greg Siler, Finance Director
Shannan Williams, Town Clerk

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 pm.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilman Harris made a motion, seconded by Councilman Scott, to approve the agenda as submitted. Unanimously approved.

III. CALLED SESSION AGENDA ITEMS

1. Load Management and Electric Rate Reduction Efforts

Staff from ElectriCities made a presentation to the Council on the benefits of load management.

The Council discussed load management systems, coincidental peak rates, assistance for industrial customer, AMI systems,

The entire presentation is on file in the Office of the Town Clerk.

File by reference and made a part of these official minutes:

ElectriCities Presentation: Smithfield Load Management Workshop 01.26.2016

2. Briefly

i. LGC Meeting – February 2nd

Interim Town Manager Jim Freeman informed the Council that he and Finance Director Greg Siler will be attending the LGC meeting on February 2nd concerning the proposed financing of several water/sewer fund projects.

ii. Downtown State Grant

Interim Town Manager Jim Freeman informed the Council that staff had solicited input from the Downtown Smithfield Development Corporation and the Appearance Commission on ideas for the Downtown Revitalization Grant. Those ideas will be submitted to the Council for approval at the February 2nd meeting

IV. CLOSED SESSION – Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (5): *To establish, or to instruct the public body's staff or negotiating agents concerning the position to be taken by or on behalf of the public body in negotiating (i) the price and other material terms of a contract or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchase, option, exchange, or lease; or (ii) the amount of compensation and other material terms of an employment contract or proposed employment contract.*

Councilman Harris made a motion, seconded by Councilman Dunn, to go into Closed Session pursuant to the above referenced statute to discuss the potential acquisition of real property. Unanimously approved at 7:31 pm.

V. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Councilman Harris made a motion, seconded by Councilman Rabil, to reconvene in open session. Unanimously approved. Open session reconvened at approximately 8:08 pm.

VI. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Councilman Harris made a motion, seconded by Councilman Rabil, to adjourn. Unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:09 pm

ATTEST:

M. Andy Moore, Mayor

Shannan L. Williams, Town Clerk