Code of Ordinances Revisions and Amendments

8/1/2017 to 10/7/2020

The following revisions and additions were made to the Code of Ordinances during the above referenced timeframe:

Adopted 05/07/2018

Section 6-65 Changed the words "Davie County" to "Rowan County"

Adopted 06/04/2018

Chapter 9 Environment Section 9-33 Declaration of Public Nuisances Add Item 12 as follows: "12. Dirt and/or Construction Debris on Public Street- It shall be unlawful for the contractor in charge of a construction project, or lacking said contractor, the property owner on whose land the construction project is taking place, to allow vehicles leaving the site to deposit dust, dirt, mud or construction debris on a public street. Each day after violation notification will constitute a separate violation and will be fined as set forth in the Town's Code of Ordinances and/or Schedule of Fees and Fines."

Adopted 9/4/2018

Sec. 5-3. Cattle, goats, sheep, horses, etc.

- a) No livestock shall be kept, maintained or stabled on any lot not exceeding two (2) acres.
- b) Not more than one (1) animal unit shall be kept, maintained or stabled per acre. For the purposes, of this section, one (1) animal unit shall mean a goat, sheep, horse, cow, llama, alpaca, ostrich, or similar animal. Five (5) chickens or similar fowl shall count as one (1) animal unit.
- c) Animals shall only be kept on owner occupied parcels or on parcels occupied by renters with the permission of the owner. No animals shall be kept on undeveloped parcels zoned for residential or commercial use.
- d) The keeping of hogs is not permitted.
- e) All livestock shall be fenced so that they are completely contained and no closer than 200 feet from an adjacent dwelling unit. This shall not apply to residences constructed after the establishment of such livestock containment area, however, the containment area may not encroach further towards the newly established residence. Fencing shall be setback at least 10' from adjacent property lines or side street rights-of-way. Livestock shall not be kept in the front yard of the residence.
- f) This section shall not apply to cats, dogs, potbellied pigs, or similar household pets.
- g) In accordance with NCGS 106-645, up to five (5) bee hives are permitted on a single parcel provided that hives are placed at ground level or securely attached to an anchor or stand. If the hive is securely attached to an anchor or stand and is setback a minimum of 10 feet from the including setbacks from the property line and from other hives. The Town of Granite Quarry may require the removal of any hive that is no longer maintained or is a threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

Sec. 5-4. Maintenance of pens, lots, etc.

- a) Every person who owns or maintains a penned lot, shelter, or other place where animals are kept shall maintain the same in a sanitary and humane manner.
- b) If the condition of the shelter shall be found not to be healthy or humane, then this condition shall be reported to the animal control officer and it shall be the duty of the animal control officer to report the condition to the health department.
- c) Odors and noises created by the keeping of livestock shall not be objectionable to adjacent residences as determined by the Town's Planner.

Adopted 3/4/2019

Sec. 12-8 Urban Archery Deer Hunting

Hunting for deer is authorized in the Town limits of Granite Quarry in accordance with the provisions of the Extended Urban Archery Deer Season act as follows:

- (a) The extended urban archery deer season must be annually submitted by the Town and approved the North Carolina Wildlife Resource Commission and in effect at the time of any urban archery hunting.
- (b) Hunters shall follow all state and local laws, rules and ordinances when hunting deer within the town limits.
- (c) Hunters must have in their possession a valid North Carolina Hunting Licenses showing completion of a Hunting Safety Course.
- (d) Hunters are prohibited from using firearms to hunt. Only archery is permitted.
- (e) Only hunting on private property is allowed. Hunters must have written permission in their possession dated within one year from landowners to hunt on their property or must own the property themselves.
- (f) No hunting is allowed on town property or on, from or across the right-of-way of any road.
- (g) No hunting within 300 feet of any property line (exterior property line between two different property owners).
- (h) Hunters must hunt from an elevated platform of at least ten (10) feet above ground.
- (i) Hunting is only allowed on a tract or parcel of land which is greater than one (1) acre.
- (j) A violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall subject the offender to any of the penalties contained in Chapter 12 Offenses & Miscellaneous Article 1. In General Section 12-8 Urban Archery Deer Hunting of the General Provision of the Town of Granite Quarry Code of Ordinances.

SEASON: As determined and announced by NC Wildlife Resources Commission.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of adoption. Adopted 3/4/2019

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GRANITE QUARRY, NORTH CAROLINA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IX PARKS, EVENTS, AND RECREATION COMMITTEE, SECTIONS 2-166 THROUGH 2-185

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Granite Quarry, North Carolina as follows:

Section 1. That Chapter 2, Article IX: Sections 2-166 through 2-185 be amended as follows:

Sec. 2-166 Establishment; Composition

There is hereby created and established the Parks, Events, and Recreation Committee, hereinafter referred to as "Committee", composed of seven members appointed by the Board of Aldermen.

Sec. 2-167 Membership Qualification and Terms of Office

- (1) All members shall be residents of the town's planning and zoning jurisdiction at the time of appointment.
- (2) Where possible, appointments shall be made in such a manner as to maintain on the Committee at all times a majority of members who have had training or experience in grounds or facility planning and maintenance, events planning, parks and recreation programming, city planning, or a related field.
- (3) Initially members shall be appointed for three-year staggered terms, expiring on July 31 of the appropriate term of appointment. All subsequent appointments, except to fill a vacancy, shall be for three-year terms.
- (4) Membership is voluntary. Members may be reappointed for successive terms.

Sec. 2-168 Powers and Duties

The Committee shall have the following powers and duties:

- (1) To initiate, promote, and assist in the implementation of programs / events beneficial to the citizens of Granite Quarry and promote a sense of community in the town.
- (2) To seek and coordinate the activities of individuals, agencies and organizations, public and private, whose plans, activities and programs ultimately affect the citizens of Granite Quarry.

Sec. 2-169 through 2-185. Reserved

Section 2. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and that this ordinance shall be effective from the date of its passage.

Adopted this, the 5th day of August, 2019

William D. Feather, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tanya Maria Word, eMC

Town Clerk

APPROYED AS TO FORM:

Carl M. Short
Town Attorney

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GRANITE QUARRY, NORTH CAROLINA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE X COMMUNITY APPEARANCE COMMISSION, SECTIONS 2 -186 THROUGH 2-191

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Granite Quarry, North Carolina as follows:

Section 1. That Chapter 2, Article X, Sections 2-186 through 2-191 be amended as follows:

Sec. 2-186 Establishment; Composition

There is hereby created and established the town Community Appearance Commission, hereinafter referred to as "Commission", composed of seven members appointed by the Board of Aldermen.

Sec. 2-187 Membership Qualification and Terms of Office

- (1) All members shall be residents of the town's planning and zoning jurisdiction at the time of appointment.
- (2) Where possible, appointments shall be made in such a manner as to maintain on the Commission at all times a majority of members who have had special training or experience in a design field, such as architecture, landscape design, horticulture, city planning, or a closely related field.
- (3) Initially, members shall be appointed for three-year staggered terms, expiring on July 31 of the appropriate term of appointment. All subsequent appointments, except to fill a vacancy, shall be for three-year terms.
- (4) Members of the Commission shall serve without pay but may be reimbursed for actual expenses incidental to the performance of their duties within the limits of funds available to the Commission.

Sec. 2-188 Powers and Duties

The Commission shall have the following powers and duties:

- (1) To make studies of the visual characteristics and problems of the town, including surveys and inventories of an appropriate nature, and to recommend standards and policies of design for the entire area, any portion or neighborhood thereof, or any project to be undertaken.
- (2) To initiate, promote and assist in the implementation of programs of general community beautification in the town.
- (3) To seek to coordinate the activities of individuals, agencies and organizations, public and private, whose plans, activities and programs bear upon the appearance of the town.
- (4) To provide leadership and guidance in matters of area or community design and appearance to individuals, and to public and private organizations and agencies.

- (5) To prepare both general and specific plans for the improved appearance of the town. These plans may include the entire area or any part thereof, and may include private as well as public property. The plans shall set forth desirable standards and goals for the aesthetic enhancement of the town or any part thereof within its area of planning and zoning jurisdiction, including public ways and areas, open spaces, and public and private buildings and projects.
- (6) To request from the proper officials of any public agency or body, including agencies of the state and its political subdivisions, its plans for public buildings, facilities, or projects to be located within the town or its area of planning and zoning jurisdiction.
- (7) To review these plans and to make recommendations regarding their aesthetic suitability to the appropriate agency, or to the Planning Board or the Board of Aldermen. The Commission shall review all plans in a prompt and expeditious manner, and all recommendations of the Commission with regard to any public project shall be made in writing. Copies of the recommendation shall be transmitted promptly to the Planning Board or the Board of Aldermen.
- (8) To formulate and recommend to the Board of Aldermen the adoption or amendment of ordinances, including the zoning ordinances, subdivision regulations, and other local ordinances regulating the use of property that will, in the opinion of the Commission, serve to enhance the appearance of the town and its surrounding areas.
- (9) To direct the attention of town officials to needed enforcement of any ordinance that may in any way affect the appearance of the town.
- (10) To seek voluntary adherence to the standards and policies of its plans.
- (11) To enter, in the performance of its official duties and at reasonable times, upon private lands, with the property owner's permission, and make examinations or surveys.
- (12) To promote public interest in and an understanding of its recommendations, studies and plans, and to that end to prepare, publish and distribute to the public such studies and reports as will, in the opinion of the Commission, advance the cause of improved municipal appearance.
- (13) To conduct public meetings and hearings, giving reasonable notice to the public thereof.

Sec. 2-189 Advisory Council, Committees

The Commission may establish an advisory council when, in the judgment of the Commission, such a council will be an aid to the performance of its duties. However, the Commission shall not delegate to such advisory council any of its official powers and duties. In addition, the Commission may, from its own membership, establish any temporary or permanent committees needed to assist it in the study of specific questions and problems.

Sec. 2-190 Staff, Technical Services

The Commission may recommend to the Board suitable arrangements for the procurement or provision of staff or technical services for the Commission.

Sec. 2-191. Reserved.

State law reference - Community Appearance Commission, N.C.G.S. §160A-451 et seq.

Section 2. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and that this ordinance shall be effective from the date of its passage.

Adopted this, the 5th day of August, 2019

William D. Feather, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tanya Maria Word, CMC

Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Carl M. Short

Town Attorney

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GRANITE QUARRY, NORTH CAROLINA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE XI REVITALIZATION TEAM, SECTIONS 2-192 THROUGH 2-199

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Granite Quarry, North Carolina as follows:

Section 1. That Chapter 2, Article XI: Sections 2-192 through 2-199 be amended as follows:

Sec. 2-192 Establishment; Composition

There is hereby created and established the Revitalization Team, hereinafter referred to as "Team", composed of seven members appointed by the Board of Aldermen.

Sec. 2-193 Membership Qualification and Terms of Office

- (1) All members shall be residents and/or business representatives of the town's planning and zoning jurisdiction at the time of appointment. An exception may be made with one seat on the Team, should the Board of Aldermen determine an outside person with specifically desired experience would enhance the Team or be instrumental in advancing town goals.
- (2) Where possible, appointments shall be made in such a manner as to maintain on the Team at all times a majority of members who have had training or experience in business management, real estate sales, construction or development, city or financial planning, or a related field.
- (3) Initially members shall be appointed for three-year staggered terms, expiring on July 31 of the appropriate term of appointment. All subsequent appointments, except to fill a vacancy, shall be for three-year terms.
- (4) Membership is voluntary. Members may be reappointed for successive terms.

Sec. 2-194 Powers and Duties

The Team shall have the following powers and duties:

- (1) To implement the NCDDA Technical Assistant Team Study Plan
- (2) To implement the Granite Quarry Downtown Master Plan

Sec. 2-195 Staff, Technical Services

The Clerk and Town Manager of the Town of Granite Quarry shall act as staff support for the Team. The Clerk shall maintain a record of the attendance, any actions, and recommendations requested by the Team.

Sec. 2-196 through 2-199. Reserved

Section 2. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and that this ordinance shall be effective from the date of its passage.

Adopted this, the 5th day of August, 2019

William D. Feather, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tanya Maria Word, CMC

Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Carl M. Short
Town Attorney

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GRANITE QUARRY NORTH CAROLINA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE II MAYOR, SECTION 2-21

II. MAYOR

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Granite Quarry, North Carolina as follows:

Section 1. That Chapter 2, Article II: Section 2-21 be amended as follows:

Sec. 2-21 Participation on committees

The Mayor shall be an ex officio liaison of all committees of the town.

Section 2. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and that this ordinance shall be effective from the date of its passage.

Adopted this, the 5th day of August, 2019

William D. Feather, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tanya Maria Word CMC

Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Carl M. Short

Town Attorney

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GRANITE QUARRY, NORTH CAROLINA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 7 BUSINESSES

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Granite Quarry, North Carolina as follows:

Section 1. That Chapter 7, Articles I-III be repealed and reserved as follows:

Ch. 7 Reserved

Secs. 7-1 through 7-60 Reserved.

Section 2. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and that this ordinance shall be effective from the date of its passage.

Adopted this, the the day of July, 2020

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William D. Feather, Mayor

ATTEST:

Aubrey Smith

Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Carl M. Short Town Attorney