



**TOWN OF GRANITE QUARRY
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
STRATEGIC WORKSHOP
Wednesday, August 20, 2020
4:00 p.m.**

Present: Mayor Bill Feather, Mayor Pro Tem John Linker, Alderman Kim Cress, Alderman Jim Costantino, Alderman Doug Shelton

Staff: Town Manager Larry Smith, Town Clerk Aubrey Smith, Town Attorney Chip Short

Guests: Revitalization Team Chair Brittany Barnhardt, Revitalization Team Member Rob Miller

Call to Order: Mayor Feather called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

1. Approval of the Agenda

ACTION: Alderman Shelton made a motion to approve the agenda with the Revitalization Team Goals moved to the first item. Alderman Costantino seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

2. Discussion **Revitalization Team's Goals**

Chairwoman Barnhardt and Mr. Miller discussed the Revitalization Team's priority goals. The goals included the following:

A. Façade grant

There was discussion regarding issues that existed when the project was first proposed years ago. Mr. Miller stated the Team hoped to capitalize on Mr. Smith's knowledge of working with the Main Street Program.

B. Town's Branding, Marketing, Social Media, and Website

The Team requested approval to purchase a ribbon-cutting set. Mayor Feather recommended checking with the Chamber of Commerce first.

C. Town Square

Alderman Shelton suggested exploring grants, gifts, and other funding sources in addition to taxpayer funds.

D. Town Hall

Alderman Shelton encouraged the Revitalization Team to bring the projects requiring Board action to the next Budget Retreat. Alderman Costantino requested they bring the numbers for each project at that time.

3. Coronavirus Relief Funds Interlocal Agreement

Mayor Feather called the Board's attention to the Interlocal Agreement included in their handouts. He pointed out there were some updates from the original draft the Board received by email earlier in the week.

ACTION: Mayor Pro Tem Linker made a motion to approve the revised interlocal agreement for Coronavirus Relief Funds. Alderman Cress seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

Alderman Shelton questioned the paragraph referencing liability, specifically related to the lack of clear guidance on how the funds could be used. Town Attorney Chip Short addressed the liability and clarified that although the specific statement was broad, it was referring to a knowing violation and not an unknowing violation. If some of the spending was disallowed in the future the Town would need to pay it back, but the Board members would not be personally liable.

Alderman Costantino questioned the safety net for the Town. Mr. Smith replied that when he signs the CRF plan he is attesting that he is taking responsibility for everything that he put on the report. He is only adding items he feels comfortable justifying. Mr. Smith stated that he would submit the CRF plan that he handed out to the Board unless there were any objections.

Mr. Short left the meeting at 4:23 p.m.

4. Discussion **Strategic Goals**

The Board discussed first putting together a "wish list" for long-term goals and then holding future meetings to discuss the priorities in greater detail.

A. Infrastructure

1) Growth / Strategic Development Planning

- a. Sewer
- b. Water
- c. Streets

2) Zoning Plan

- a. Corridors

3) Stormwater

B. Space Needs Assessment

1) Facility Needs

- a. Maintenance Equipment Storage
- b. PD

2) Equipment Storage

C. Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Pulled from goal list. Staff will make a recommendation to the Board.

D. 5 Year Revenue Projections (to drive planning)

E. Town Hall

F. Code Enforcement

Mr. Smith asked if the Board would be opposed to staff bringing a recommendation for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan process.

After discussion, Mayor Feather asked if there was Board consensus to leave the Parks and Recreation Master Plan in the hands of Town staff and talk about infrastructure, growth, and strategic planning at the next meeting. There were no objections from the Board.

Adjourn

ACTION: Alderman Shelton made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Costantino seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

The meeting ended at 5:17 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aubrey Smith
Town Clerk