

FAYETTEVILLE-CUMBERLAND JOINT COMMITTEE
HILLTOP HOUSE RESTAURANT – 1240 FT. BRAGG ROAD
NOVEMBER 13, 2014 – 12:00 PM
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

FAYETTEVILLE

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Nat Robertson
Council Member Jim Arp

CUMBERLAND COUNTY

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioner Jeannette Council
Commissioner Jimmy Keefe

MEMBERS ABSENT Mayor Pro Tem Kady-Ann Davy
Commissioner Kenneth Edge

OTHERS PRESENT: Chalmers McDougald, Council Member
Theodore L. Voorhees, City Manager
Kristoff Bauer, Deputy City Manager
Rochelle Small-Toney, Deputy City Manager
Karen McDonald, City Attorney
Michael Gibson, Parks, Recreation and
Maintenance Director
Commissioner Marshall Faircloth
Amy Cannon, County Manager
James Lawson, Assistant County Manager
Candice White, Clerk to the County Board
Pamela Megill, City Clerk

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Robertson called the meeting to order at noon and welcomed everyone in attendance.

2.0 INVOCATION

Council Member Chalmers McDougald offered the invocation.

3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Council Member Arp moved to approve the agenda.
SECOND: Commissioner Keefe
VOTE: UNANIMOUS (4-0)

4.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 11, 2014

MOTION: Council Member Arp moved to approve the minutes from
September 11, 2014
SECOND: Mayor Robertson

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (4-0)

5.1 INSTALLATION OF SYNTHETIC TURF ON HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL FIELDS AND TRACKS

Council Member Arp presented this item and provided a handout. Council Member Arp stated Cumberland County, Cumberland County Schools, and the City of Fayetteville should collectively investigate the benefits of installing synthetic turf on high school football fields and tracks. Converting natural grass field to synthetic turf fields provides a solution to the increased countywide demand for use of outdoor fields and to improving the quality of both our school and parks and recreation facilities.

Council Member Arp recommended the Liaison Committee establish a Joint Task Force with the intent of returning to this committee with findings on best practices, cost and financing for the conversion of grass fields at the high schools.

Discussion ensued. Chair Council asked Council Member Arp if the school district is willing to work together on this project. Council Member Arp stated he had been in conversations with school administration, and there is an interest.

MOTION: Mayor Robertson moved to direct staff to pull together a committee to investigate this item and report back to the Liaison Committee at the March 2015 meeting.

SECOND: Commissioner Keefe

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (4-0)

5.2 BRAC COMMITMENTS

Chair Council introduced this item and stated she had received a communication from an area hotel requesting assistance with creating dialogue with Fort Bragg officials to encourage use of the Embassy Suites for conferences, off-site meetings, and other events.

Consensus of the Committee was to engage in dialogue with Fort Bragg officials when the occasion presented itself.

6.0 OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Chair Council questioned if the frequency of meetings in 2015 was to remain at every other month.

Consensus of the Committee was to hold the meetings every other month in 2015; meetings to be held at the Hilltop House restaurant.

Commissioner Keefe requested an update on the potential consolidation of the 911 centers. Ms. Amy Cannon, County Manager

stated she had met with Mr. Voorhees, City Manager and discussions had taken place.

Consensus of the Committee was to request a written report to the Committee on the potential co-location of the 911 centers; to be presented in the next quarter.

Mr. Michael Gibson, Parks, Recreation, and Maintenance Director provided a handout to the Committee on the Fayetteville-Cumberland Youth Council update.

7.0 ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, January 8, 2014, to begin at 11:30 a.m. for lunch and the meeting to start at noon, the meeting will be held at the Hilltop House restaurant.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

PAMELA J. MEGILL
City Clerk

KADY-ANN DAVY
Mayor Pro Tem

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