

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
AGENDA
June 10th, 2021
10:00 A.M.

- I. Agenda Changes

- II. Adoption of Minutes
1 August 13th, 2020

- III. Crab Carnival Discussion

- IV. American Rescue Plan Funds

- V. General Information

- VI. Town Council Agenda

- VII. Next Meeting: July 8th, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.

- VIII. Adjournment

**ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE MEETING
June 10th 2021**

Jack Lawson called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. Committee members present included Jack Lawson, Chairman; James Pruett and Chris Vincent.

Members Present: James H. Hudson, Mayor and John Ragsdale, Town Council Member

Also present: John Edwards, Town Manager; Karen Barrow, Town Clerk; Holly McGowan, Director of Community Development, Walt Feurer, Director of Public Works and Tim Sawyer, Chief of Police.

I Agenda Changes

There were no changes made to the agenda.

II. Adoption of Minutes

August 13th 2020

Mr. Vincent made a motion to adopt the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Pruett. Upon a unanimous vote, the motion was approved.

III. Crab Carnival Discussion

Mr. Edwards advised that representatives from the Chamber of Commerce are here to discuss the Crab Carnival and to seek input from the town regarding proposed changes.

Sam Drewry, President of the Chamber of Commerce advised that there are some proposed changes this year, one is regarding issues store owners on Main Street have with vendors blocking store fronts. We are not going to put vendors on Main Street between 7th Street and 9th Street. We are recommending that street activities go from 3rd Street to 10th Street and a beer garden between 7th Street and 9th Street. There will be signage for beer not to go past this area.

Mr. Edwards advised that the ABC license will require the area that sells beer to be located within a fence.

Mr. Lawson stated that based on his experience while working with the Chamber and Crab Carnival Committee, the churches do not approve of beer gardens near any of the churches, especially at 6th street where the children's fun and games are located. This is why beer is not allowed past 6th Street or above 9th street. Mr. Lawson suggested the chamber be careful about the location of a beer zone.

Tommy Adkins, owner of Dragon Run Brewery advised that the beer garden will have options for beer purchases, there will be a variety of brands. A customer will enter the serving area, show a valid ID, purchase beer tickets. They will be given a wrist band that they will have to show the beer truck before they are served any beer. There will be signage at check points on 7th and 9th streets stating, “No Alcohol Beyond this Point”.

Chief Sawyer stated that Check Points can be difficult to staff, volunteers working the Check Points would be helpful.

Mr. Lawson asked if there will be a fireman’s parade on Friday night.

Sam Drewry stated that the vendors have complained about not having enough time to set up on Saturday morning, they have asked to set up on Friday night.

Mr. Lawson advised there has been a lot of complaints about there being no fireman’s parade. You can allow the vendors to set up on Thursday and they will still complain. Mr. Lawson suggested the Chamber keep the fireman’s parade, it’s a big children’s event.

Mr. Hudson asked if Town Council is Okay with the proposal for the Crab Carnival.

Mr. Lawson suggested that the Crab Carnival Committee keep “No Pets”.

Mr. Edwards asked Sam Drewry if he wanted to come back to the Committee meeting next month to provide an update.

IV. American Rescue Plan Funds

Mr. Edwards advised that he received notification yesterday afternoon regarding the American Rescue Plan Funds. The Town is scheduled to receive two payments, the first next month, the second in one year. Town Council needs to act on accepting the funds by next Tuesday.

Mr. Lawson made a motion for the Town to accept the American Rescue Plan Funds, seconded by Mr. Ragsdale. Upon a unanimous vote, the motion was approved.

Mr. Edwards stated that the expenditure of the funds will require a budget amendment.

V. General Information

Mr. Edwards advised that he will review the General Information under Public Works.

VI. Town Council Agenda

Mr. Edwards advised there was nothing for the Town Council agenda.

VII. Next Meeting Date: July 8th 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.

VIII. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Lawson adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.



Jack Lawson
Chairman

ATTEST:



Karen M. Barrow
Town Clerk