

ADJOURNED MEETING CITY COUNCIL
April 19, 2017

The City Council of the City of Albemarle met in an adjourned session on Wednesday, April 19, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. at the Rosebriar Restaurant. Mayor Pro Tem Hall presided and the following Councilmembers were present, to wit: Bill Aldridge, Chris Bramlett, Benton Dry, Martha E. Hughes, Dexter Townsend, and Chris Whitley. Absent, Mayor Michael.

The City Council held a meeting with the members of the Planning and Zoning Board and the Zoning Board of Adjustment to discuss matters of common interest.

Mayor Pro Tem Hall brought the meeting to order.

Mayor Pro Tem Hall stated that Mayor Michael is on vacation and the City Manager's father-in-law passed away this week and they will not be here this evening.

Mayor Pro Tem Hall blessed the food.

Mayor Pro Tem Hall passed around an envelope to City Council to collect money for a restaurant gift card from Fresh House for the City Manager and family.

Senior Planner, Nasser Rahimzadeh gave a report on the Planning Board's activities including meetings, zoning map and text amendments.

Mayor Pro Tem Hall recessed the meeting for dinner.

Mayor Pro Tem Hall brought the meeting to order.

Mr. Robinson gave an update on the Quasi-Judicial hearing where there was an ordinance amendment approved at the City Council meeting for a skilled gaming business at 200 US Hwy 52 N. He stated that he would like comments from the City Council and

Planning Board concerning standardizing this ordinance for gaming in future cases and to consider only having these in the Shopping Center District (SCD) only. Council each gave their comments concerning skilled gaming.

It was the consensus of City Council for Mr. Robinson to standardize and prepare amendments to Sections 92.008, 92.080-92.081A, 92.083 and 92.087 in order to better define, adult oriented, electronic and conventional games of skill or chance and to assign them to specific zoning districts with conditions.

Mr. Robinson stated that he will call for a public hearing at the May 1 City Council meeting to be held on May 15. He said this would create a by-right use for games of skill with conditions that can be applied administratively, removing the need for conditional use permit hearings for each one.

There was open discussion for Council and board members concerning Planning and Zoning related items with staff.

Councilmember Dry stated that he, Mayor Michael, the City Manager, the Assistant City Manager, and Parks and Recreation Director Lisa Kiser met with Convergent Non-Profit Solutions yesterday.

Councilmember Dry also stated that the City will be doing a feasibility study over the next several months which will cost around \$23,500.

Councilmember Dry stated that Benesch Site Solutions finished with the core drilling at the new Wiscasset Ball Complex site.

The Assistant City Manager Christina Alphin stated that they have a list of potential pledges and will continue with pledges after the feasibility study.

Mayor Pro Tem Hall stated that Vital Signs on NC 24-27 at Anderson Road is going to be torn down due to the widening of this road when realigning Anderson Road with Barnard Road by NCDOT.

The Assistant City Manager came forward and handed out information requested by Mayor Tem Hall concerning the County sales tax distribution methods and the impact for Albemarle and other municipalities in Stanly County if the County decides to change their allocation method from per capita to ad valorem. She stated the County has called a meeting concerning this issue on Monday, April 24 at 7pm at Stanly Commons.

Mayor Pro Tem Hall stated that she spoke with County Commissioner Matthew Swain today and hopes to meet with him before the called meeting on April 24. She encouraged everyone to watch the Stanly County Commissioners Meeting from Monday, April 17 on Spectrum, Channel 21 if they get a chance.

Planning and Development Services Director Kevin Robinson stated that there will be City board appointments or reappointments coming up soon. We need to replace an alternate on the Board of Adjustment and also two reappointments on the regular Zoning Board of Adjustment, three reappointments on the Historic Resources Commission, and two reappointments on the Planning Board.

Mayor Pro Tem Hall asked that the boards and commissions appointment and reappointment information be added to the City web page.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Hughes, seconded by Councilmember Aldridge, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.