

CITY OF EDEN, N. C.

The regular meeting of the City Council, City of Eden, was held on Tuesday, December 16, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 308 E. Stadium Drive. Those present for the meeting were as follows:

Mayor:	Philip K. Price
Mayor Pro Tem:	John E. Grogan
Council Members:	Ronald H. Reynolds
	Bill Vestal
	Christine H. Myott
	Jerry Epps
	C.H. Gover
	(absent) Garry Tudor
Council Elect:	Bruce Nooe
Council Elect:	Donna Turner
Council Elect:	Wayne Tuggle
City Manager:	Brad Corcoran
City Clerk:	Kim J. Scott
Deputy City Clerk:	Sheralene Thompson
Representatives from Departments:	
Representatives from News Media:	Lisa Doss, <u>Eden's Own</u> ; Steve Lawson, <u>Eden Daily News</u>

MEETING CONVENED:

Mayor Price called the regular meeting of the Eden City Council to order and welcomed those in attendance. He explained that the Council meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. and works from a prepared agenda; however, time would be set aside for business not on the printed agenda.

INVOCATION:

Pastor Sam Spire was present to give the invocation.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA:

Item (f) from the Consent Agenda was removed from the agenda.

INTRODUCTION OF THE HONORABLE RICHARD W. STONE:

- a. Swearing in of newly elected Council Members
- b. Recess: (Pictures)
- c. Meeting reconvened

Mayor Price introduced the Honorable Richard W. Stone, who was present to administer the oath of office to the newly elected Council Members.

Mayor Price declared the seat from Ward One vacant. He then asked Council Member Reynolds to come forward.

He noted that Council Member Reynolds had served the City of Eden for two terms and he had really represented the city in a lot of different ways and had done a good job. He has done the things needed to be done to make this town grow. He then presented a plaque that read "presented to Ronald L. Reynolds in appreciation of outstanding service to the City of Eden as a Council Member 1995-2003 from the Mayor and the City Council, December 16, 2003."

Council Member Reynolds thanked the citizens of Eden for giving him two terms on the City Council and he voted no a lot of times, (but) he voted his convictions. He closed by saying that he wished the Council well and everyone a happy holiday.

Mayor Price then asked Council Elect Donna Turner to come forward to be sworn in by Judge Stone.

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Mayor Price then declared the seat from Ward Two vacant. He then noted that Council Member Tudor was not present at the meeting.

Mayor Price then asked Council Elect Bruce Nooe to come forward to be sworn in by Judge Stone.

Mayor Price then declared the seat from Ward Six vacant. He then asked Council Member Grogan to come forward.

He noted that Council Member Grogan had served on the City Council for twenty years and certainly very few people have served that many years. He stated that he met every challenge that one could possibly think of. Everyone appreciated his business-like approach, his common sense and his excitement for things that change and go forward. He was reared and worked in this community and they would certainly keep him in this community. He then presented a plaque that read "presented to John E. Grogan in appreciation of outstanding service to the City of Eden as a Council Member and Mayor Pro Tem 1983-2003 from the Mayor and the City Council, December 16, 2003."

Council Member Grogan thanked them and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Mayor Price then asked Council Elect Wayne Tuggle to come forward to be sworn in by Judge Stone.

Mayor Price then asked Council Member C.H. Gover to come forward to be sworn in by Judge Stone.

Mayor Price thanked Judge Stone for performing the duties in administering the oaths.

RECESS:

Mayor Price explained that they would be having a brief recess for Mr. Tom Barbour, of Picture This Photography, to make pictures of the new Council.

MEETING CONVENED:

SELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM:

Mayor Price explained that the next order of business was the election of a Mayor Pro Tem. He opened the floor and stated that the nominations were in order.

A motion was made by Council Member Gover seconded by Council Member Nooe to nominate Council Member Vestal as Mayor Pro Tem.

A motion was made by Council Member Epps seconded by Council Member Turner to nominate Council Member Myott as Mayor Pro Tem.

A motion was made by Council Member Epps that the nominations be closed. All Council Members voted in favor of this motion. This motion carried.

Action on the motion to nominate Council Member Vestal was as follows: Council Members Vestal, Gover and Nooe voted in favor. Council Members Epps, Turner, Tuggle and Myott voted in opposition. This motion failed.

Action on the motion to nominate Council Member Myott was as follows: Council Members Epps, Turner, Tuggle and Myott voted in favor of this motion. Council Member Vestal, Gover and Nooe voted in opposition. This motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

There were no public hearings this month.

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MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT:

(a) Financial Report.

A motion was made by Council Member Gover seconded by Council Member Myott to approve the Finance Report. All Council Members voted in favor of this motion.

REQUEST AND PETITIONS OF CITIZENS:

No one spoke at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

(a) Consideration of Planning Organization Appointments and Reappointments.

The memorandum provided to Council explained that each year at the December meeting, the City Council makes appointments to the various boards and commissions of the city's planning organization. Each member of these groups is appointed for a three (3) year term. The terms are staggered so that only a portion of the terms are completed each year.

Board of Adjustment:

Council Member Turner nominated Kenneth White, Council Member Myott nominated Giles Hunnings and Council Member Gover nominated Diana Biggs.

A motion was made by Council Member Gover seconded by Council Member Myott to appoint Kenneth White, Giles Hunnings & Diana Biggs to the Board of Adjustment. All Council Members voted in favor of this motion.

Community Appearance Commission:

Council Member Nooe nominated Mary Collins, Mayor Price nominated Jennifer Clark and Council Member Vestal nominated Marie Dean.

A motion was made by Council Member Vestal seconded by Council Member Tuggle to appoint Mary Collins, Jennifer Clark, & Marie Dean to the Community Appearance Commission. All Council Members voted in favor of this motion.

Historic Preservation Commission:

Council Member Tuggle passed until January; Council Member Gover nominated Harold Francis, and Mayor Price nominated Rachel Wright.

A motion was made by Council Member Gover seconded by Council Member Turner to appoint Harold Francis & Rachel Wright to the Historic Preservation Commission. All Council Members voted in favor of this motion.

Planning Board:

Council Member Tuggle passed until January. Mayor Price nominated Carol Helms and Eric Barker was nominated from ETJ.

A motion was made by Council Member Gover seconded by Council Member Vestal to appoint Carol Helms & Eric Barker to the Planning Board. All Council Members voted in favor of this motion.

Tree Board:

Council Member Myott nominated Mary Ruth Martin and Council Member Epps nominated Paul Dishmon. Council Member Vestal passed until January.

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A motion was made by Council Member Epps seconded by Council Member Turner to appoint Mary Ruth Martin & Paul Dishmon to the Tree Board. All Council Members voted in favor of this motion.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business to discuss.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- (a) Approval and adoption of minutes: November 18, 2003.
- (b) Approval and adoption of a motion amending the Police and Emergency Services Ordinance.
- (c) Approval and adoption of a motion for safety committee vacancies.
- (d) Approval and adoption of a motion to hold a public hearing and to consider an ordinance to amend Section 11.30, Article 4, Section A of the City of Eden Zoning Ordinance to modify the designated local administrator of the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance. ZONING CASE Z-03-17.
- (e) Approval and adoption of the 2003 Annual Certification of Firemen.
- (f) Approval and adoption of a motion to approve a contract with Arcadia Publishing regarding picture history of Leaksville, Spray & Draper. *This item was pulled.*
- (g) Approval and adoption of an Air Quality Resolution.

Resolution

WHEREAS, by resolution of their governing boards, eleven Piedmont Triad counties (Alamance, Caswell, Davidson, Davie, Guilford, Forsyth, Randolph, Rockingham, Stokes, Surry, Yadkin) and their municipalities formed the Triad Air Quality Early Action Compact (EAC) in December 2002; and

WHEREAS, this Region currently exceeds the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) eight-hour standard for ozone but desires to achieve cleaner, healthier air and thereby avoid the consequences of designation as a "nonattainment area;" and

WHEREAS, by forming the Triad EAC and working in partnership with the N.C. Division of Air Quality and EPA, the Region can defer the effective date of designation as an ozone nonattainment area from December 2004 to December 2007, thereby gaining time to implement ozone reduction measures and attain the eight-hour standard; and

WHEREAS, the Piedmont Triad Council of Governments and the Northwest Piedmont Council of Governments, on behalf of their member governments, appointed the Triad EAC Stakeholders Group, consisting of public officials, representatives of the environmental community, business and industry, to develop ozone reduction strategies for local government adoption; and

WHEREAS, the Stakeholders Group engaged in an extensive process of education, data evaluation, and public participation, leading to development of the attached Regional Strategies To Reduce Ozone, which it recommends for approval;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Eden hereby approves the Regional Strategies to Reduce Ozone; and

FURTHER THAT, the City of Eden will use applicable strategies as policy guidelines in decisions affecting purchasing, workplace practices, evaluation and implementation of capital projects, transportation and land use planning, and communications with its citizens; and

FURTHER THAT, the City of Eden will, along with other jurisdictions in the region, participate in providing information to the N.C. Division of Air Quality in order to track the Region's progress in lowering ozone producing emissions; and

FURTHER THAT, a copy of this Resolution along with the Regional Strategies be forwarded to the Environmental Protection Agency and the N.C. Division of Air Quality for inclusion in the preliminary Triad Early Action Plan for attainment of the eight-hour ozone standard.

ADOPTED BY: The Eden City Council this 16th day of December, 2003.

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s/Philip K. Price, Mayor

ATTEST:

s/Kim J. Scott, City Clerk

(h) Approval and adoption of a traffic study and ordinance of East Harris Place/Linden Drive.

(*Four-way stop, duly erecting a stop sign for each intersection including the adjoining PVA of the Eden Centre Shopping Center and to lower the present speed limit of 35 mph to 25 mph*)

(i) Approval and adoption of a Pawnbroker's License (*for James W. Hodge, Jr.*)

(j) Approval and adoption of mutual aid agreements with three rural fire departments.

Council Member Vestal had a question regarding item (b) from the Consent Agenda. *Approval and adoption of a motion to amending the Police and Emergency Services Ordinance.*

A motion was made by Council Member Epps seconded by Council Member Myott to approve Consent Agenda items a,c,d,e,g,h,i,and j. All Council Members voted in favor of this motion.

Council Member Vestal stated that he had talked with the City Manager earlier on this and he failed to ask him one other question. He stated that he felt sure that either the City Manager or the Police Chief could answer it. This was going from a small group right now, to as many as deemed necessary by the Chief and approved by the City Manager. He stated that he was just wondering, if these people who were new members of this auxiliary division have to work so many hours after they were appointed to maintain certification and if so, how much more money would that cost the city.

Chief Benthin replied that they were required to work twelve hours a month and anything over twelve hours they work for free. They get the same training that the full-time officers do, but it would take a longer period of time because they were only working twelve hours a month.

Council Member Vestal stated that he knew that this was a volunteer organization here but he knew they had to work so much to maintain a certification, but that would be free...to which Chief Benthin replied that actually there was no requirement for maintaining a certification, other than being sworn in.

A motion was made by Council Member Vestal seconded by Council Member Epps to approve this request. *Approval and adoption of a motion to amending the Police and Emergency Services Ordinance.* All Council Members voted in favor of this motion.

VOUCHERS:

Mayor Price encouraged them to look at every item on the vouchers as it was important. He stated that if they have questions that they please not hesitate to ask where the money was going to and why it was spent.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Council Member Epps seconded by Council Member Vestal to adjourn. All Council Members present voted in favor of this motion. This motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim J. Scott
City Clerk

ATTEST:

Philip K. Price, Mayor