

**MINUTES  
VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK COUNCIL MEETING  
ASSEMBLY ROOM  
OCTOBER 08, 2015  
9:30 AM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Staton presided over the council meeting of October 8, 2015, at 9:30 a.m., in the Assembly Room of the Village Hall. Those present in addition to Mayor Staton were Vice Mayor Weedman and Council Members Chandler, Coletta, Farr, Gooch and Jamerson, Village Clerk Parker and Village Administrator Boleman.

**MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Staton led the group in a moment of silent meditation. He then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**AGENDA APPROVAL / CHANGES**

At the request of Mayor Staton, *Middleton Road (SR 1136) Regarding Abandonment and Closure*, was added under *New Business, as Item #6*. With no additional changes, Vice Mayor Weedman made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Council Member Coletta. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Ms. Barbara Coladarci, of Highland Golf Villas, expressed concerns about cars parked along Highland Golf Drive and a rock drainage area on the shoulder during a recent event in the park. The homeowners association would like Council to revisit the new entrance and driveway from Highland Lake Road and reconfigured parking lot included in the master plan of the park so as to eliminate the traffic congestion at the current entrance from Highland Golf Drive.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Vice Mayor Weedman made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following;
  - July 24, 2015 – Special Called Council Meeting Minutes
  - August 31, 2015 – Agenda Workshop Minutes
  - August 31, 2015 – Park Workshop Minutes
  - September 10, 2015 – Council Meeting Minutes
  - Resolution No. 198 – A Resolution Endorsing the Application by the Village of Flat Rock for the NCDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Grant Initiative for Preparation of a Comprehensive Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

The motion was seconded by Council Member Farr and carried on a unanimous vote.

**Special Reports**

2. Administration – Village Administrator Boleman

Ms. Boleman reviewed the September 2015 zoning report dated October 5, 2015, and Village Administrator report dated October 8, 2015 (see attached reports).

3. Park Update – Council Member Chandler

Mr. Steve Jamerson presented and reviewed a pavilion cost estimate dated 10/5/15, which showed an original cost estimate totaling \$204,230.00, and a current cost totaling \$252,396.56. He reported Ed Lastein's work on the pavilion is complete. Mill Creek Post & Beam's estimated cost for the design and building of the timber frame component is \$118,500.00. He asked for some direction in deciding the stain color for the timber frame. After discussion, Council gave Steve authorization to make the decision himself. He then discussed the need for two additional electrical items, lighting fixtures in the open area and column fixtures. Council agreed to add these items. Vice Mayor Weedman commended Mr. Jamerson for his hard work on the preparation of the cost estimate. Mr. Weedman made a motion for Mr. Jamerson to proceed with the project at a cost totaling \$252,396.56, seconded by Council Member Gooch. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Mr. Ed Lastein reported the grading for the playground has begun, and the project is proceeding well.

Mr. John Dockendorf presented a proposed playground budget totaling \$260,000.00. After discussion, Council Member Farr made a motion to approve the playground budget of \$260,000.00, seconded by Council Member Chandler. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

4. Foundation Update – Council Member Gooch

Council Member Gooch reported the Foundation recently received donations from TD Bank and First Citizens Bank. The Community Foundation will be making a site visit to the Pavilion on October 13, 2015. The planning for the October 17<sup>th</sup> event is going well. The Park Foundation's next meeting is Monday, October 12, 2015.

Mr. Duncan Fraser, presented Foundation reports reflecting donations received from July – September 2015, and receipt and uses of Village of Flat Rock funding through September 30, 2015. For fiscal year 2014/15, the Foundation's audit was included in the Village's audit. He has asked the auditor, Carl Shaw, to prepare a separate audit report for the Foundation, for which he received a quote of \$4,500.00.

5. Tax Report

Vice Mayor Weedman reported that, as of October 8, 2015, the current fiscal year tax collections are at 29.34%, with \$270,921.88 total collected (see attached report dated October 8, 2015).

**Old Business – None**

**New Business**

6. Middleton Road (SR1136) – Resolution No. 199 – Regarding Abandonment of State Maintenance and Closure of a Portion of Middleton Road

Vice Mayor Weedman made a motion to approve the adoption of Resolution No. 199, seconded by Council Member Farr. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

**Other Business**

7. Mayor – Council Reports

Council Member Chandler reported he will be out of town October 15<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>. Shred Day is scheduled for October 24, 2015, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Ginger Brown, Nick Weedman, and Albert Gooch will volunteer to assist, and Judy will post signs.

Mayor Staton mentioned that Council Members are invited to a model railroad show Friday, October 9, 2015, 12:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at the Agricultural Center. The purpose of the invitation was to give Council Members the opportunity to hear a proponent discuss railroad passenger traffic in Western North Carolina.

**Public Comments**

Mr. Ed Foster, of Highland Golf Villas, expressed concerns about traffic expected at the Fall into Flat Rock event to be held on October 17, 2015, and asked that Council revisit the new Highland Lake Road entrance to the park as depicted on the park's master plan.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 11:15 a.m., with no further discussions, the meeting was adjourned.

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Michelle Parker, CMC  
Village Clerk

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Robert V. Staton  
Mayor