# FAYETTEVILLE CITY COUNCIL TOWN HALL MEETING

# E.E. MILLER RECREATION CENTER – 1347 RIM ROAD MAY 19, 2008

6:30 P.M.

Present: Mayor Anthony G. Chavonne

Council Members Keith A. Bates, Sr. (District 1); Charles E. Evans (District 2); Robert A.

Massey, Jr. (District 3); Darrell J. Haire (District 4); Bobby Hurst (District 5); William J. L. Crisp

(District 6); Valencia A. Applewhite (District 7); Theodore W. Mohn (District 8); Wesley A.

Meredith (District 9)

Others Present: Dale E. Iman, City Manager

Stanley Victrum, Assistant City Manager

Karen M. McDonald, City Attorney Tom Bergamine, Chief of Police B.E. Nichols, Fayetteville Fire Chief

Christina Morey, Assistant Fayetteville Fire Chief

Ron Lewis, Fayetteville Fire Department Jerry Dietzen, Solid Waster Director

Bobby Teague, Engineering and Infrastructure Director

Frank Simpson, Inspections Director

Jimmy Teal, Planning Director

Victor Sharpe, Community Development Director

Adolph Thomas, Community Relations Specialist

Luis Collazo, Human Relations Specialist

Toney Coleman, Fayetteville Regional Airport Assistant Director

Tracey Glover, Information Technology Manager

Theresa Chance, Human Resource Development Department

Ron Macaluso, Transit Director

Joe Glass, PWC Engineering Manager – Water Resources

Carolyn Hinson, PWC Public Relations Representative

Jackie Tuckey, Communications Manager Nathan Walls, Public Information Specialist

Shawnell Jones, Customer Service Representative

Candice H. White, City Clerk

Members of the Press

# 1. Call meeting to order and welcome.

Mayor Chavonne called the meeting to order and extended a welcome to those in attendance.

# 2. Invocation

The invocation was offered by Rev. Adam Seate, Trinity United Methodist Church.

#### 3. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Chavonne led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

#### 4. Presentations

# **Solid Waste Recycling Program**

Jerry Dietzen, Solid Waster Director, provided an overview of the recycling program to begin July 1, 2008. Mr. Deitzen reviewed items that could be recycled and informed citizens they could consult the City's website, recycling cart lids and handouts to be provided when carts are delivered for a list of recyclables. Mr. Deitzen also informed citizens they could visit the City's website and type in their street address to determine their scheduled pickup date. Mr. Dietzen stated drop off sites would still be available to residents of multi-family units until such time as a multi-family recycling program could be implemented.

# **Fayetteville Fire Department**

B.E. Nichols, Fayetteville Fire Chief, invited citizens to visit Fire Station 15, which serves their community, and stated the station could also serve as a location for community watch meetings

held in conjunction with the Fayetteville Police Department. Chief Nichols reminded citizens that 3" house numbers were required by ordinance. Chief Nichols provided severe weather precautions and differentiated between watches and warnings contained in weather announcements. Chief Nichols concluded by stating aluminum cans could be dropped off at any fire station in Fayetteville and 100% of the contributions would go to the University of North Carolina Burn Center.

#### 5. Public Forum

Mayor Chavonne opened the public forum.

Joseph S. Fudala, 1422 Granada Drive, Fayetteville, NC 28314 inquired as to when the paving of Russell Street from Gillespie Street to Robeson Street would be completed and whether City Council had considered recycling for Fayetteville businesses.

Joe L. Cundiff, 7143 Century Circle, Fayetteville, NC 28306 expressed concern for racing and speeding on Strickland Bridge Road and Century Circle. Mr. Cundiff also requested that solid waste workers place emptied trash containers off the roadway.

Wade R. Fowler, 2242 Jenna Shane Drive, Fayetteville, NC 28306 spoke regarding the additional \$5 motor vehicle license tax and asked that the City prioritize and cut spending that is not essential so as not to reach further into the pockets of citizens.

Dennis G. Gould, 7099 Calamar Drive, Fayetteville, NC 28314 expressed concern regarding the volume of traffic in the Ben Hefner school area and resulting endangerment to children who walk to school without the safety benefit of sidewalks.

Joe Talarico, 7079 Pantego Drive, Fayetteville, NC 28314 asked whether there would be an increase in the \$5,000 sewer connection fee for annexed properties over a twelve-year period or whether the connection fee was capped. Mr. Talarico also inquired about proper abandonment of his septic tank.

Dirk A. Jimmison, 7773 Adrian Drive, Fayetteville, NC 28314 spoke to efforts in his subdivision regarding speed control, stop signs and streetlights and the coordination of the same with City staff.

James W. VanNess, 7979 LaDonia Drive, Fayetteville, NC 28314 spoke to the need of the Police Department for proper equipment, to include additional helicopters, and the importance of day and night surveillance for citizens and residents.

Mark A. Rowden, 987 Eastman Road, Fayetteville, NC 28314 expressed concern for the public transit system and lack of public transit services in the annexed area. Mr. Rowden asked whether there was a plan to provide transportation services to the annexed areas.

John P. Decker, 1408 Granada Drive, Fayetteville, NC 28307 commented regarding his private water service provider and asked whether PWC could work with the company regarding the provision of water services.

An unidentified speaker commented briefly regarding a park and ride system in Minnesota and revenues generated from the same.

Katie Alexander, address unknown, expressed concern for speeding on Strickland Bridge Road and Century Circle, the lack of sidewalks for school children and being taxed an additional \$5 motor vehicle license tax for the public transit system when there was no public transit service available in her area.

### 6. Adjourn

There being no one further to speak, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.