

**ROCKY MOUNT TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 21, 2010**

The June 21, 2010 special Council meeting of the Rocky Mount Town Council was held in the Council Chambers of the Rocky Mount Municipal Building located at 345 Donald Avenue, Rocky Mount, Virginia at 4:00 p.m. with Mayor Steven C. Angle presiding. The following members of Council were present:

Vice Mayor Posey W. Dillon and Council Members Jerry W. Greer, Sr., John H. Lester, Roger M. Seale, Robert W. Strickler and Gregory B. Walker

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Angle.

For the record, the following were present: All members of Town Council as noted, Town Manager C. James Ervin, Assistant Town Manager/Community Development Director Matthew C. Hankins, Town Attorney John T. Boitnott, Chief of Police Erik Mollin, and Town Clerk Patricia H. Keatts.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Prior to the meeting, Council had received the agenda for review and consideration of approval.

- Motion was made by Council Member Lester to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Council Member Greer and carried unanimously by those present.

CLOSED MEETING

At 4:01 p.m., motion was made by Council Member Strickler to go into *Closed Meeting*, and seconded by Council Member Greer and carried unanimously to discuss the following:

- Section 2.2-3711(A).1 – Discussion, consideration or interviews of prospective candidates for employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining or resignation of specific public officers, appointees or employees of any public body (Police Department personnel).

At 4:22 p.m., motion was made by Council Member Lester to come out of *Closed Meeting* and to reconvene the meeting back into open session, with motion on the floor being seconded by Council Member Strickler and carried unanimously by those present.

CERTIFICATE OF CLOSED MEETING

Whereas, the Town of Rocky Mount Council has convened a *Closed Meeting* on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

Whereas, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires certification by this council that such *Closed Meeting* was conducted in conformity with Virginia Law;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Rocky Mount Town Council hereby certifies that, to the best of each members' knowledge: (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under this chapter and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the *Closed Meeting* was convened were heard, discussed, or considered in the meeting by the public body.

Steven C. Angle, Mayor

- Motion was made by Council Member Greer certifying that: (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under this chapter was discussed; and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or consider in the meeting by the public body was discussed. Motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Dillon. The Mayor swore to adopt the motion on the floor by Council Member Greer that this was all that was discussed as defined in Section 2.2-3412 Code of Virginia. Voting yes were Vice Mayor Posey W. Dillon and Council Members Jerry W. Greer, Sr., John H. Lester, Roger M. Seale, Robert W. Strickler, and Gregory B. Walker.

STAFFING DISCUSSION REGARDING TOWN OF ROCKY MOUNT PERSONNEL

The Mayor asked if any Council members had any comments to make at this time.

Council Member Greer stated that the Town has goals and performances for the Police Department that Council feels would be best met by providing internal leadership for the department, offering the following motion:

- Motion was made by Council Member Greer that Council authorize the Town Manager to offer Mr. David Cundiff to be Chief of the Rocky Mount Town Police Department on an interim basis while the search for a permanent Chief continues, with motion on the floor being seconded by Council Member Walker. A roll call vote was taken: voting in favor of the motion on the floor were Vice Mayor Dillon and Council Members Greer, Strickler and Walker, and voting in opposition to the motion on the floor were Council Members Lester and Seale. Let the record show that the motion on the floor passed four to two.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:25 p.m., motion was made by Council Member Greer to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Lester and carried unanimously by those present.

Steven C. Angle, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patricia H. Keatts/Town Clerk

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