

**Town of Felton
Town Council Meeting
March 11, 2013
7:00 pm**

Mayor Kelley called the Town Council of Felton Meeting to order at 7:00 pm on Monday, March 11, 2013. Present at the meeting were:

Council Members: Mayor Dave Kelley, Vice-Mayor Joe Yapsuga, Kevin Fletcher, Joanne Clendaniel and Anthony Carroll.

Staff: Town Manager, Rebecca Greene; Chief Levi Brown; and Town Clerk, Amy Lupinetti.

Public: Resident – Lester Blades.

Citizens Concerns:

Councilman Fletcher stated that while the crew was working on the light pole in front of his house they parked on his step and also left debris in his yard. They moved his trash cans away from the curb and his trash did not get picked up that day. Also they installed a new light pole but did not put a light on it.

Police Report:

Chief Brown presented the February 2013 Police Report.

Officer	Reg	SEU	Total
9451	115	30	145
9452	87	79	166
9453	103	0	103
9454	72	5	77
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Councilman Fletcher asked what the 109 hours were listed under other and Levi replied that those are the hours they are not patrolling and also SEU hours.

Motion: Vice-Mayor Yapsuga made a motion to accept the February 2013 Police Report. Councilman Carroll seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Budget Report:

Vice-Mayor Yapsuga asked why Pennsy Supply is over budget and Rebecca stated that they must be selling more than expected. Councilman Carroll asked why Late Fees was up and Rebecca stated that bills were due this month and we had a lot of late payments.

Motion: Councilman Fletcher made a motion to accept the February 2013 Budget Report. Vice-Mayor Yapsuga seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Minutes:

Town Council Meeting Minutes:

Mayor Kelley presented the February 11, 2013 Town Council Meeting Minutes asking if there were any questions. Councilman Fletcher stated that after reviewing the minutes he remembered about Twardus complaining about the kids playing on the street. He noticed Saturday night between 10 p.m. and 2 a.m. there were about 19 teenagers walking around town. Mayor Kelley stated that there is a curfew. Levi stated that he would keep a lookout for the kids.

Motion: Councilman Carroll made a motion to accept the February 11, 2013 Town Council Meeting Minutes. Councilman Fletcher seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Public Hearing Minutes:

Mayor Kelley presented the February 11, 2013 Public Hearing Minutes asking if there were any questions. There were no questions.

Motion: Councilman Fletcher made a motion to accept the February 11, 2013 Public Hearing Minutes. Councilman Fletcher seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Planning & Zoning Minutes:

Mayor Kelley presented the March 5, 2013 Planning & Zoning Meeting Minutes. Vice-Mayor Yapsuga stated that he attended the meeting and has realized that some information has been lost in translation regarding the Building Blocks buffer zone. The buffer zone does not conform to what was submitted on the site plan in 2009. We need to revert back to what was said at the 2009 meeting because this is the third time having this discussion.

Mayor Kelley stated that looking at what Planning & Zoning approved last week is totally different than what was approved by Council at the December 2012 meeting. Mr. Blades stated that he really doesn't like the idea of putting the plants in but this time he is going to keep up with them and plant them differently. He stated that he does not want to put a fence around his existing fence. Mayor Kelley asked Mr. Blades why he thinks that the plants will work this time. Mr. Blades said that he is not sure they will.

He plans to dig deeper holes and he thinks the reason why the last ones didn't grow was because they were planted in the potting soil from the previous plants. He stated that he would have someone come in with a backhoe and dig a path then fill it with top soil. Vice-Mayor Yapsuga explained to Mr. Blades that the purpose of the buffer zone is to screen your commercial property from the residential properties in the area.

Rebecca read the minutes from the March 2009 Planning & Zoning Meeting which stated the height of the hedges that were agreed to be planted in the ground around the buffer zone. The hedges had to be six feet. Mayor Kelley stated that he did not want to have this same issue come to the Council again. Mr. Blades asked what did the Mayor want him to do about the problem.

Mayor Kelley stated that he would like for him to extend the existing fence around the buffer zone. Mr. Blades stated the he did not want to do that because he would have to bust his sidewalk. Mayor Kelley stated that he would not have to bust his sidewalk and this would be the best option because it would eliminate the planting of the trees. Mr. Blades agreed and said that would be a good idea and he would do the fence as per the Council's request. A diagram is attached showing the fence on both sides of the property that the Council is requiring.

Motion: Vice-Mayor Yapsuga made a motion to accept the March 5, 2013 Planning & Zoning Minutes with the changes to the Building Block recommendation instead of a tree line there will be a fence per the attached diagram. The approved fence line is highlighted in red. Councilman Carroll seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. Roll call was taken: Mayor Kelley – yes; Vice-Mayor Yapsuga -yes; Council Member Clendaniel – yes; Councilman Carroll – yes and Councilman Fletcher –yes.

Executive Session:

Vice-Mayor Yapsuga made a motion to recess the Council Meeting for an Executive Session at 7:59pm. Councilwoman Clendaniel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The executive session ended at 8:39pm.

Discussion of Changing the Time for Council Meetings:

Council Meetings will now start at 6:30 p.m.

Motion: Councilwoman Clendaniel made a motion to change the time for the Council Meetings to 6:30 p.m. Vice-Mayor Yapsuga seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Vice-Mayor Yapsuga made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:16pm. Councilman Carroll seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

These minutes were prepared by Amy Lupinetti, Town Clerk.

Amy Lupinetti

Date

