

**Town of Felton  
Public Hearing  
October 19, 2020  
6:15pm**

Mayor Clendaniel called the Public Hearing Meeting of Felton to order at 6:15 pm on Monday, October 19, 2020. Present at the meeting were:

**Council Members:** Mayor Joanne Clendaniel, Vice-Mayor Joe Yapsuga, Anthony Carroll, Diana Dolan-Beulah and Bill Brittingham.

**Staff:** Chief Levi Brown, Town Manager, Amy Thomas and Town Clerk, Tracey Thompson.

**Public:** Resident's Lorrie McCartney, Robbie Morse, Patty Eccles and the Representative for 568 Walnut Street Michael Swank.

**Annexation of Karbaum Property:**

Mr. Swank introduced himself as the representative for 568 Walnut Street and explained that he would like this property to be annexed into the Town of Felton in order to use the Town's water source. Mr. Swank included that annexing the property into the Town will benefit both parties involved, he will be providing housing and the Town will receive additional revenue. Resident McCartney expressed her concerns on annexing this parcel into Town. She stated traffic is already at a high on Walnut Street and afraid that this annexation will put a burden on the Town. Amy Thomas answered that before any property can be annexed into Town paperwork has to be approved by the State Planning Office. She also included that the 52 townhomes is just an estimate and not the amount they are going to build due to the other guidelines he has to follow. McCartney questioned how Council can approve this without having exact plans on this project? Amy explained to resident McCartney that this is just the first step and that Mr. Swank will need to go through many other steps before the building process is approved. Mr. Swank states there is no definite plan at this time because they want to make sure the property will be annexed into Town before investing into proposed plans. All he has at the moment is the plan on providing housing, and that it will be for Townhomes. McCartney expressed her concern that Mr. Swank could change his mind and put something else on the property then what was originally proposed. Amy Thomas confirmed the property is zoned for Townhouses and he would have to have it rezoned if there were any changes. She also clarified that this is just the first step of a very long process and plans have to be submitted to go further once he gets the approval of the annexation.

Mayor Clendaniel closed the Public Hearing @ 6:30 pm.

Tracey Thompson, Town Clerk prepared these minutes.

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Tracey Thompson, Town Clerk

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