

**HIGH POINT CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
September 5, 2018 – 3:00 P.M.
3RD FLOOR LOBBY CONFERENCE ROOM**

MINUTES

Present (9):

Mayor Jay Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Williams (Ward 2); and Council Members Britt Moore, At Large; Don Scarborough, At Large; Jeffrey Golden (Ward 1); Monica Peters (Ward 3); Wesley Hudson (Ward 4); Victor Jones (Ward 5); and Jason Ewing (Ward 6)

Staff Present:

Greg Demko, City Manager; Randy McCaslin, Deputy City Manager; JoAnne Carlyle, City Attorney; Loren Hill, Economic Development Director; Mike McNair, Community Development Director, Brandon Cook, Communication Specialist; Jolie Helton, Communication Specialist; Keith Pugh, Engineer Services Director; Kenneth Shultz, Police Chief; Captain, Petula Sellars Police Officer; Torey Lanier, Police Officer I; Lieutenant, Curtis Cheeks Police Officer; Lieutenant, Duane Willis; Tommy Ried, Fire Chief; Jeff Moore, Financial Service Director; Fanta Dorley, Human Relations Department; Lisa Vierling, City Clerk and Sandra Keeney, Deputy City Clerk

Others Present:

Barry Kitley, Director of Community Relations, High Point University

News Media:

Pat Kimbrough, High Point Enterprise

Mayor Wagner called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2018-316 Contract Award - Cedrow Drive Subdivision Site Improvements

Council is requested to approve a contract to Jimmy R. Lynch & Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$157,447.00 for the Cedrow Drive Subdivision Site Improvements.

Randy McCaslin, Deputy City Manager, gave the staff report for this item stating the City purchased this property through tax foreclosure and would like to turn this property into 19 lots to provide affordable housing. He noted it would be necessary and imperative to the project that the City receive free dirt, explaining that the City is currently working on two other projects that could provide the free dirt necessary to meet the challenges of the property.

Council Member Jeff Golden stated there was a community meeting regarding this development and the community did not seem to have any concerns. He commended staffs' communication with the community regarding this property.

A motion was made by Council Member Moore, seconded by Council Member Jones, that the contract to Jimmy R. Lynch & Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$157,447.00 for the Cedrow Drive Subdivision Site Improvements be approved. The motion carried by the following 9-0 vote:

Aye (9): Mayor Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Williams, Council Member Moore, Council Member Scarborough, Council Member Golden, Council Member Peters, Council Member Hudson, Council Member Jones, and Council Member Ewing

2018-317 High Point Monthly Crime Stats Overview

Police Chief Shultz will present an overview of crime stats to Council.

Kenneth Shultz, Chief of Police, distributed a handout regarding the Overall Part I Crime Statistics for the City of High Point. He stated violent crimes are down 20% from this time last year and property crimes are down 17% and overall, there is a 17% reduction. Violent crimes right now are 9% below the 5-year average. Property crimes are down 13% for the 5-year average noting property crimes are things like thefts and burglaries. Overall the Part I crimes are down 12% compared to the 5-year average.

Following his brief presentation on crime statistics, Chief Shultz stated there is a national trend across the country regarding a Lip Sync Challenge in which the High Point Police Department accepted the Challenge. He stated he thought this would be great way to feature the community noting that Torey Lanier, Police Officer I, was very instrumental in coordinating this effort with the help of Captain Petula Sellars and Lieutenant Duane Willis. He also commended city staff, Brandon Cook, Communication Specialist and the Communication and Engagement Department for their hard work and tireless efforts producing and recording the challenge.

He then shared the video showing the High Point Police Department's Lip Sync Challenge.

The Mayor and City Council commended the High Point Police Department as well as City Staff for their work and participation in the Lip Sync Challenge.

This was presented as information only.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m. upon motion duly made and seconded.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jay W. Wagner, Mayor

Attest:

***Sandra Keeney
Deputy City Clerk***