TOWN OF TRYON

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SPECIAL MEETING WITH THE HARMON FIELD BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

SEPTEMBER 1, 2015 5:30 P.M.

HARMON FIELD CABIN

Present: Mayor Jim Wright

Commissioners: Bill Ingham, Happy McLeod

Staff Present: Town Manager Joey Davis Town Clerk Susan Bell

Community Dev. Dir. Paula Kempton Town Attorney Bailey Nager

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Roy Miller & Commissioner George Baker

Harmon Field Board: Chairman Benny Smith, Rick Covil, Jim Patterson, Linda Ligon, Libbie Johnson

Minute Clerk, Meg Rogers

CALL TO ORDER

The Harmon Field Board of Supervisors had called their meeting to order at 5:30.

Mayor Wright called the Board of Commissioners to order at 5:50 p.m. He felt it would be unfair for Mr. Dallara to raise the money for his project and then not be allowed to proceed. The Town Attorney found a policy where the donations are run through the Polk County Community Foundation, but he is not sure if it had been approved.

Chairman Smith stated that the Harmon Field Board agreed for him to start with fundraising just to see if he could raise the money, but they had not approved the project.

The Mayor wanted to make sure that the Dallara's were not meeting or talking with him and going back to the Harmon Field Board saying that the Town agreed with his project or meeting with the Harmon Field Board and then coming to him saying that the Harmon Field Board agreed. He just wanted to make sure that both boards agreed on how the process works.

The Harmon Field Board thought that the Board had approved a policy in 2011.

Commissioner Ingham stated that he had heard concerns on the size of the project. Town Manager Davis stated that the concern of the board is that he was going to raise the money, then he decided that he wanted to raise some of the money and then he would need some help raising the rest through grant money. Council has not agreed to apply for grants on his behalf. Smith stated that the responsibility for the grant writing would be on the Dallara's.

Recognizing gifts made to Harmon Field- The attorney's understanding is the discussion at the time of the policy was to have one plaque in a central location where everyone could be recognized.

It was decided that if there is not a policy one needs to be made before the Dallara's get to far with their project and the design control should be with the Harmon Field Board.

The Board asked Meg Rogers to review the minutes to see if the Harmon Field Board had adopted a donation and gift policy in 2011.

Commissioner Ingham made a motion to adjourn the Board of Commissioners. The motion carried unanimously.

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Jim T. Wright, Mayor

Attest:

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Susan B. Bell, Town Clerk