

M. Edquist proposed the idea of having the fish fry outdoors on the grounds at Gladstone. Mayor Herron expressed concern about the readiness of the grounds for an event so soon. P. Edquist expressed concern about parking although was in favor of having the event at Gladstone.

Blair presented pricing on tent and chair rentals along with information on serving alcohol at the event. Council unanimously decided to forego the alcohol for this event.

P. Edquist moved to have the fall event on the grounds of Gladstone. M. Edquist seconded the motion. The motion carried 4/1 with Mayor Herron dissenting.

The Community Building will be the backup venue in the event of rain.

Blair and McGinnis will lay out the site plan for the event.

11. Other Business: Blair reported that the Civitans requested a presentation on Gladstone. Burrage agreed to give the presentation along with Blair. Blair also reported that an electrician has been contacted about erecting the speed signs as is awaiting a quote.

12. Closed Session to Discuss Personnel Matters Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6) and Economic Development Pursuant to 143-318.11(a)(4)(5):

P. Edquist moved to go into closed session. Watson seconded the motion and it was approved 4/0.

Shannon Beamon left at at 7:15 pm.

M. Edquist moved to return to open session at 8:10 pm. Watson seconded the motion and it was approved 5/0.

Personnel : M. Edquist moved to hire Austin Wagoner as a full-time police officer and to authorize Mayor Herron to give pre-approval for the next potential police officer candidate due to Captain John Brady's resignation. Watson seconded the motion and it was approved 5/0.

Chief McGinnis left at 8:13 pm.

P. Edquist moved to go back into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6) at 8:13 pm. Burrage seconded the motion and it was approved 5/0.

M. Edquist and Watson left at 8:21 pm.

Burrage moved to return to open session at 8:30 pm. P. Edquist seconded the motion and it was approved 3/0.

13. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Mayor Michael "Frizbee" Herron

Date

Anita Blair, Administrator/Clerk

Date