

Ordinance 2022-15 for Appropriations and Tax Rates (2023 Budget)
Ordinance 2022-12 Establishing Town Legislative Body Districts and Repealing Ordinance 2012-11
Ordinance 2022-16 Amending Chapter 72 of the Code of Ordinances Prohibiting Parking on Jeff Gordon Blvd and
Mitchell Avenue
Resolution 2022-16 Approving Memorandum of Understanding between Steel Dynamics, Inc., and Town of
Pittsboro

**PITTSBORO TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
33 EAST MAIN STREET, PITTSBORO
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2022 @ 7:00 PM**

QUORUM:

Jarod Baker
Terry Northern
Randy Price
Jay Thompson

Jim Buddenbaum, Attorney
Shari L. Ping, Clerk Treasurer
Scott King, Police Chief

OTHERS: Steve Maple, Building Commissioner; Linda Thompson, 7722 Quail Creek Trace; Jeanene Karn, 7722 Quail Creek Trace; late arrival by Steve Ping, 26 W Wall Street

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE:

President Jarod Baker brought the Town Council Meeting to order at 7:00 pm by establishing a quorum. Four (4) of the five (5) members are present. Bill Majeske is absent. Jarod then asked the Council, staff, and audience to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and to follow with a Moment of Silence.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

OLD BUSINESS

Adopt 2023 Budget – Jarod Baker gave the budget numbers as: Adopted Budget - \$3,280,932, Adopted Tax Levy - \$1,797,396 and Adopted Tax Rate – 0.7189. He then asked the Council if they had any questions or comments. There being none, Jarod Baker made a motion to adopt **Ordinance 2022-15 for Appropriations and Tax Rates (2023 Budget)**, Randy Price seconded. Roll call vote: Randy-yes, Terry-yes, Jay-yes, Jarod-yes. Motion passes 4-0.

Insurance Rates – Jarod Baker explained that Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield increased our rates on medical by 19%. Shari Ping and Jarod went out and sought other carriers and quotes. Also, the Pittsboro Fire Dept has dropped their insurance plan with Anthem to go independently which will create an even higher increase rate. We met with Greg Peters with Exact Insure and he sent the attached health plan comparison. Anthem BCBS and Allstate have an A+ rating while Trustmark has an A- rating. Randy Price asked about the figures and if they included the Fire Dept. Shari Ping explained that the rates are based on the Town employees only. Terry Northern commented that there were four (4) other companies quoted but not competitive. Terry asked if any of the companies included a three (3) year rate. Jarod explained that we did not include extra years. They are based on a 12-month basis only. Jay Thompson mentioned that we are \$50 less per month with Trustmark. He talked with Todd McCormick at the County, and he said we could possibly go with the County's policy, he didn't know if we would be interested. Jim Buddenbaum asked about our policy year being October instead of the calendar year. Shari Ping explained that we joined with the Fire Dept. and they already had an October date. Our current agent is trying to get it switched to January. Randy Price asked if this includes short term or long-term coverage. Steve Maple said we have other companies come in to do that. Shari explained that the Town offers AFLAC and Liberty National. Scott King mentioned what providers are included in the plan since most of his officers have been with the same provider for 25 years. Jarod Baker recommended that we contact Greg again and ask him to check on multi-years and providers that are in network and out of network. Shari asked about pre-existing conditions, Jim Buddenbaum said it is illegal to do that.

Ordinance 2022-14 Mobile Food Vehicle – Jarod Baker explained that this was discussed at the last meeting. He went over in more detail. Discussion followed. With several edits needing to be made, Jarod recommended continuing to the next meeting.

Ordinance 2022-15 ARPA Spending Summary – Jarod Baker explained the reason for the ordinance. Jarod Baker made a motion to approve **Ordinance 2022-15 ARPA Proposed Spending Summary**, Randy seconded. Roll call vote: Randy-yes, Terry-yes, Jay-yes, Jarod-yes. Motion passes 4-0.

Introduction of Ordinance Prohibiting Parking on Jeff Gordon Blvd & Mitchell Ave – Jarod Baker introduced **Ordinance 2022-16 Amending Chapter 72 of the Code of Ordinances Prohibiting Parking on Jeff Gordon Blvd and Mitchell Avenue**.

Next Level Trails – Steve Maple reported we are still waiting for the cost of the redesign. Jarod Baker suggested we table this until the November 15th meeting.

MOU Between SDI and Town of Pittsboro regarding Police Dept. Contribution – Jarod Baker explained that the new MOU will include \$2,000/month for two (2) years. Several amendments were made to the MOU. Jarod Baker made a motion to approve **Resolution 2022-16 Approving Memorandum of Understanding between Steel Dynamics, Inc., and Town of Pittsboro**, Terry Northern seconded. All ayes, motion passes 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Increase Clothing Allowance from \$150 to \$200 – Jarod Baker explained this is for the winter clothing allowance for all Town employees working in the inclement weather. Jarod thinks it should be increased to \$250. Jay Thompson asked Steve Ping if he could purchase his winter needs with \$200 or \$250. Steve said it doesn't really affect him if he needs something he goes and buys it. There are others that can't afford to do that. So, he is very appreciative of what the Council decides. Randy Price recommended increasing to \$300 per year, Jay Thompson seconded. All ayes, motion passes 4-0.

COUNCIL COMMENT

Jarod Baker – 1) Very appreciative of everyone across the entire community with Halloween
2) Reported of the upcoming changes to our meeting schedule. Will meet the first Tuesday but not on the third Tuesday

Jay Thompson – 1) received an email from Spring Deaton regarding the mobile truck policy
2) asked about the property south of North Park. Jarod said it will be discussed in two (2) weeks
3) asked Jim Buddenbaum about discussing the 30/60/90-day list with the last names being mentioned. Jim thinks we should be worried about identity theft for our customers. Shari asked if she should list the address instead of the name. Discussion followed.
4) asked Jim Buddenbaum about having political signs in a Town employee's yard. Jim said there is no law about that.

ATTORNEY ITEMS:

ADJOURNMENT:

Jarod Baker reminded everyone that the next meeting will be November 15th at 7:00 pm. Jarod asked for a motion to adjourn. Terry Northern made the motion, Randy Price seconded. All ayes, motion passes 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

Shari L. Ping
Clerk Treasurer



Jarod Baker, President

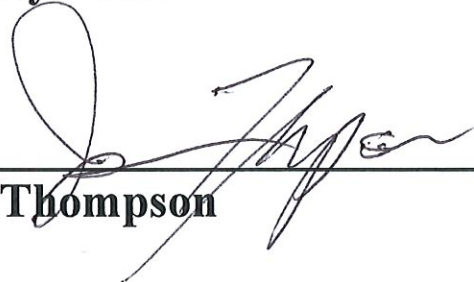


Terry Northern



William Majeske

Randy Price



Jay Thompson

Attest: 

Shari L. Ping, Clerk/Treasurer