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April 16, 2018

**Working Session – 9:00 AM**

*The Working Session of the Denton Town Council was called to order by Mayor McNinch at 9:13 AM on this date, leading everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**In Attendance:**

*All Council members were present.*

*Staff: Mr. Don Mulrine, Town Administrator; Chief Rodney Cox; Donna Todd, Administrative Aid; and Karen Monteith, Clerk-Treasurer, were present.*

*Mr. Christopher Drummond, Town Attorney.*

**Discussion:**

**Caroline County Tourism**

*Mrs. Ceres Bainbridge, Director of the Caroline County Office of Tourism, provided an update on the promotional and marketing projects going on in and around the County; partnership in working with the Caroline County Council of Arts and on the Steam Boat Building – County Grant obligation.*

*Mrs. Bainbridge asked the Council to considered contributing funding to CC Tourism in the upcoming year to help cover some of the cost for marketing Denton. She will provide the Council with a copy of the Tourism Budget.*

*Mr. Mulrine mentioned that the proposed budget presently includes an allocation of \$2,500.*

*Mayor McNinch expressed the importance of focusing on marketing.*

**Zoning – Comprehensive Plan – Duffy Track**

*Discussion was held with Mr. Mulrine, Mrs. Todd and Mr. Drummond, regarding the 2010 Comprehensive Plan Rezoning history, park zoning as it relates to a couple parcels in Town – most specifically the Duffy Track. Clarification was provided on what constitutes an amendment to the Comp Plan when a mistake has been made or if there is a substantial change in the neighborhood. The Table of Use for Mixed Residential and permitted used was reviewed.*

*The proposed project for the Duffy Track has already been to the Planning Commission and they supported this project.*

**FY19 General Fund Budget**

*The proposed FY19 General Fund and Highway Fund Budgets were discussed. Discussion included staffing needs, salary adjustments, capital needs, and a real estate tax increase.*

*As the Council continues working towards having a balanced budget, they gave staff some direction on a few cuts to make. Discussion will continue at the next Working Session, on April 23, 2018 at 6:00 PM.*

*The Water and Sewer Fund Budget will be presented in June.*

*With no further business to discuss, Mayor McNinch closed the Working Session at 11:03 AM.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Karen L. Monteith  
Clerk-Treasurer*