

TOWN BOARD MEETING – REGULAR MEETING

February 6, 2024

Present: Mayor George Holleman
Mayor Pro Tem Eric Bumgarner
Councilwoman Tamara Odom
Councilman Jack Simms
Councilwoman Kim Brown

The regular meeting was opened for business by Mayor Holleman at 5:30 p.m. The invocation was given by Pastor Alan Fox, Beulah Baptist Church.

A motion was made by Councilman Simms and seconded by Councilman Bumgarner to approve the minutes as presented from January 2nd, 2024 regular meeting as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

Open Forum:

There were no comments in open forum.

A motion was made by Councilman Bumgarner and seconded by Councilman Simms to approve adopting a Resolution of Designation of Applicant's Agent. Mayor Holleman was named designated agent for the Town of Taylorsville for the 2024 BRIC application process. The motion was passed unanimously. See attachment A, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes herein.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brown and seconded by Councilwoman Odom to approve the local match funding commitment letter as part of the 2024 BRIC application process. The motion was passed unanimously. See attachment B, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes herein.

A motion was made by Councilman Simms and seconded by Councilwoman Brown to set a public hearing for March 5, 2024 at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers for the purpose of consideration of a text amendment to the Town's Code of Ordinance's Title VII Traffic Code Chapter 70 General Traffic Regulations. The purpose will be to place a no right turn at the intersection of Hwy 16 S. & Main Ave. Dr. at Adams Funeral Home to prevent commercial tractor trailers from turning right and damaging the retaining wall and sidewalk due to there not being sufficient room for the right turn. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brown and seconded by Councilman Bumgarner to approve the budget amendment receipting in local sponsorships for the 2023 Hometown

Christmas Celebrations in the amount of \$3,500.00. The motion was passed unanimously. See attachment C, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes herein.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brown and seconded by Councilwoman Odom to approve the budget amendment receipting in reimbursement of funds for the police radio grant from the state in the amount of \$18,181.59. The motion was passed unanimously. See attachment D, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes herein.

A motion was made by Councilman Bumgarner and seconded by Councilwoman Odom to approve the temporary street closure of one block of 1st Street SW between Main Ave. & Main Ave. Dr. for the Spring Fling for Alexander County Partnership for Children on April 11, 2024. In case of rain, the make-up date is set for April 18, 2024. The time will be from 7:30 am until 9 pm. The motion was passed unanimously.

Staff Reports: Police Chief, Mike Millsaps.

Chief Millsaps states there were 137 step initiated responses, 361 dispatched responses and 500 incidents during January 2024.

Town Manager/Public Utilities Manager: Aaron Wike

Aaron Wike stated that on January 9, 2024 there was a significant rainfall event which resulted in over 4.5 inches of rain. This caused 4 SSO's (sewer spill overflows) to occur. We were not the only ones to have spills. There were 150 statewide during the rainfall event. Also on February 5, 2024 we had an SSO which was the result of a float failure not switching on the pump. The spill was 890 gallons on W. Jay Dr. The issue has been fixed. We have hired 2 new employees in the W&S Dept. Steven Chapman as part-time sewer maintenance and Eric Church as full-time Sewer Maintenance Technician. He is certified in wastewater collections and water distribution and also has CDL's. We have been cleaning up the town cemetery and hauling in loads of topsoil to fill in sunken areas where the topsoil has eroded. He noted that since the loss of the inmates during COVID that problems such as the cemetery has not been able to be addressed adequately. He noted that he does not know when or even if we will ever be able to get the inmates back because now the supervisors over inmate crews must be BLET certified. The state is now doing litter sweep in April. He mentioned our new Finance Director, Zach Greene who started January 8, 2024. The Urgent Care building has issues with water runoff and proper drainage around the building and parking lot. He has met with West Consultants to get a corrective plan and will have more information soon. He noted that it will not be a simple or inexpensive fix.

Town Attorney – Monroe Panel

No business to address for this meeting.

By unanimous agreement, a workshop was set for February 20th, 2024 at 9:00 am to discuss downtown revitalization ideas and other ideas for the town.

The next regular scheduled meeting is scheduled for Tuesday March 5th, 2024 at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Mayor

Councilman

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Attest: _____
Yolanda T. Prince, Town Clerk