REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

September 6, 2016 Present: Mayor George B. Holleman Mayor Pro-Tem Kenny Poole Commissioner Ronnie Robinette Commissioner Edd Elliott, Jr. Commissioner Jack I. Lerner

The regular meeting was opened for business by Mayor Holleman at 5:30 p.m. The invocation was given by Mayor Holleman. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Open Forum: No comments from citizens.

A motion was made by Commissioner Elliott and seconded by Commissioner Poole to approve the following changes to the agenda. Add item 5a –Article of Town Support; Item 6a. Schedule Public Hearing W&S policy Ordinance changes. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Elliott and seconded by Commissioner Robinette to adopt the agenda. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Elliott and seconded by Commissioner Robinette to approve the minutes from August 2, 2016 regular meeting as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

Perry T. Snyder of Foundations Forward, Inc. presented information on Charters of Freedoms Monuments. It is a 501c3 non-profit organization dedicated to advancing monuments in communities across the US in order to make it more accessible for school children and others to be able to see and read the 3 founding pieces that make up our right to freedom. They are the Declaration of Independence, The Bill of Rights, and The United States Constitution. Their goal is to educate and preserve history. The idea is to build monuments displaying the 3 founding pieces of freedom in prominent locations outdoors where there is high foot traffic and easy accessibility for all. They will be similar to The Charters of Freedom on display in the Rotunda of The National Archives in Washington, DC. Donations of money, materials and time are used to construct the project. No tax dollars are used only public property to locate the monuments on. The project is not started until all monies are collected to fully construct the project. It is then up to the town and or county to maintain the monuments. The town council is in full support of the project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Poole and seconded by Commissioner Lerner to approve adopting a Resolution of Support for Dr. Bobby Kearney in order to open a medical practice within the town limits. The purpose of the medical facility will be an addiction recovery clinic like his current facility in Statesville. Many residents frequent the Statesville facility and Dr. Kearney feels it will be beneficial to locate a facility here in Taylorsville. See attachment A, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes. The motion was passed unanimously. The renewable energy project will consist of a 20 year 0% interest loan totaling \$306,000, and will be to construct a solar farm at the WWTP.

A motion was made by Commissioner Poole and seconded by Commissioner Elliott to set a public hearing for October 4, 2016 at 5; 30 in the Council chambers for the purpose of discussing policy changes to the water & sewer dept. regarding administrative and service fees. The motion was passed unanimously.

It will cost approximately \$6,000.00 to paint and pressure-wash and sealcoat the parking lot of the town/county leased garage.

Public Works Director, David Robinette noted that its Apple Festival time and preparations are under way. The leaf truck is ready to go for leaf season. There have been a few water leaks to repair around town.

Police Chief, Dennis James gave the monthly report for August 2016. There were 16 arrests & 15 accidents & 787 calls for service. School is back in session and on the 2nd day there was a bomb threat and later that 1st week a 15 year old brought a shotgun to school. Thankfully, in both incidents no one was injured. The police dept. now has Narcam units which reverses overdoses.

Town Manager, David Odom stated that the Commercial Park Blvd and sidewalk project will go to bid in February of 2017.

The next meeting will be on October 4, 2016 at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers of Town Hall.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Mayor

Commissioner

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Commissioner

Attest:

Yolanda T. Prince, Town Clerk