

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

January 5, 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:

Mayor Holleman noted that Alexander Central Volunteer Fire Dept. has a new ladder truck. He also noted that discussion is being held regarding future economic development within the town limits and the need for a Taylorsville Merchants Assoc. is being discussed. It is noted that there is no Town Board opposition to the discussion of possibly creating a downtown merchants association.

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 December 1, 2015 regular meeting as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

Ben Clawson of Municipal Engineering Services and Hermant Sura, PE with Green Tech. Consulting, Inc. presented the study of renewable energy sources for the town, primarily located at the WWTP. A renewable energy source of solar panels would help reduce peak demand energy use primarily in the summer months. The total project is estimated to cost \$200,000 and will take 13 years to see a return on investment. The renewable energy solar panel system could be used as a teaching tool for out school system.

A motion was made by Commissioner Poole and seconded by Commissioner Elliott to approve a budget transfer from GF contingency to Alexander Co. Election Board of \$5250.00 to cover the 2015 municipal election expense. The motion was passed unanimously.

Town Clerk, Yolanda Prince reported that all criteria is in order to proceed regarding the voluntary annexation petition requests received from Speedy Card Wash and Propst Superette both located on Hwy 16 South in Taylorsville.

A motion was made by Commissioner Elliott and seconded by Commissioner Robinette to set a public hearing for Speedy Card Wash for February 2, 2016 at 5:30 pm in the council chambers. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Poole and seconded by Commissioner Lerner to set a public hearing for Propst Superette for February 2, 2016 at 5:30 pm in the council chambers.

The motion passed unanimously.

The Mayor and council discussed the committees and board appointments which caused a change of some people and positions and some are under review. See Committees and Boards Appointments in the clerk's office.

David Robinette, Public Works Director - no written report.

Chief Dennis James stated that there were 828 calls in December & a total of 9417 for the year 2015. Sergeant Richard Taylor is out on workers compensation due to an altercation while arresting a suspect in which his hand was broken. The Old Fashioned Christmas and Christmas parade was a success.

David Odom, Town Manager states that we had record rainfall in December 2015. Precision safe sidewalks will be repairing some sidewalks in town over the coming weeks. There will be tree trimming and pruning going on. The new Goodwill store will open on January 14th. The Market Basket grocery store is under new management and will be doing improvements. The townhomes construction adjacent to town park is well underway. There will be 2 new big water & sewer projects totaling over 2.4 million beginning in the 1st quarter of 2016.

The next meeting will be on February 2, 2016 at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers of Town Hall.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Mayor

Commissioner

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Commissioner

Attest: _____
Yolanda T. Prince, Town Clerk