

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

July 19, 2005

Present: Mayor Guy Barriger, Commissioner Glenn P. Deal Sr., Commissioner Holleman & Commissioner Bob Phillips

The regular meeting was opened for business by Mayor Barriger at 5:15 p.m.

Commissioner Deal gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance followed the invocation.

Motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Deal to approve the addition of discussion of three NCLM Resolutions as item 7a and the consideration of CDBG Budget Ordinance approval as item 91. To also move items 8 & 9 to 15 & 15a. Passed unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Deal to adopt the agenda as amended. Passed unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Deal to approve the minutes of the May 31, 2005 meeting. Passed unanimously.

Open Forum:

Travis Hamlin came before the Board and asked for consideration of the following: He is the owner of a mobile home park located across from the Town Cemetery and stated that during high winds flowers and other items blow from the cemetery onto his property. He requested that the Board consider placing a boundary fence along the property lines and stated that if the Town would purchase the materials, he would erect the fence. More information will be gathered; however, no decisions were made at that time.

Gloria Benfield came before the Town Board suggesting a skateboard area be created for the young people of Taylorsville. She suggested the empty parking lot adjacent to Matheson Park. Commissioner Holleman explained that the parking lot belongs to Mr. Icenhour and suggested she and other interested parties form a committee to formally present the idea to Mr. Icenhour since the Town doesn't own or have any control of the parking lot.

Motion by Commissioner Deal, seconded by Commissioner Holleman to approve adopting the three NCLM Resolutions creating and belonging to Interlocal Risk Financing Fund of NC, Municipal Insurance Trust of NC, and the NC Interlocal Risk Management Agency for the purpose of pooling local governments in order to obtain better ratings and premiums. Passed unanimously. See attachments A1, A2, & A3, which are hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

Mayor Barriger opened the first public hearing regarding the voluntary annexation petition from Alexander County for the 23.325 acres of property along Hwy 16 South. No comments were

heard and the hearing was closed.

Motion by Commissioner Deal, seconded by Commissioner Phillips to approve the voluntary annexation request from Alexander County for the 23.325 acres of property along Hwy 16 South. Passed unanimously. See attachment B, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

Mayor Barriger opened the second public hearing for the voluntary annexation request from Mitzie McCurdy for her property located at 306 7th St. containing .60 acres. No comments were heard and the hearing was closed.

Motion by Commissioner Deal, seconded by Commissioner Phillips to approve the voluntary annexation request from Mitzie McCurdy for her property located at 306 7th St. containing .60 acres. Passed unanimously. See attachment C, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

Mayor Barriger opened the third public hearing for the voluntary satellite annexation request from Glenn P. Deal Jr. for his property at Lot 3 Block C Brushy Mtn. Golf Course. No comments were heard and the hearing was closed.

Motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Holleman to approve the voluntary satellite annexation request from Glenn P. Deal Jr. for his property located at Lot 3 Block C Brushy Mtn Golf Course. Passed unanimously. See attachment D, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

Motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Holleman to accept the gift of the land adjacent to the town cemetery from Mrs. Audrey Gilreath. The land should increase the overall size of the cemetery by approximately 50 grave plots. Passed unanimously

Mayor Barriger opened the public hearing regarding the closeout of the CDBG 2003/C/1194 Jay Drive Water & Sewer Improvements project for public comment. Nancy Coley<WPCOG representative outlined the completed project of \$217,285.00. 20 homes were connected to water and/or sewer with a total of 39 served. 14 property owners petitioned for annexation into the Town limits. The street was paved with the remaining funds. No public comments were made and the hearing was closed.

Motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Holleman to close out the CDBG project for Jay Drive. Passed unanimously.

Nancy Coley, WPCOG representative brought before the Board the WPCOG contract and budget ordinance for the Pop Davis CDBG project. Motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Holleman to adopt the contract and the budget ordinance for the Pop Davis CDBG project. Passed unanimously. See attachment E1 & E2, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

Motion by Commissioner Deal, seconded by Commissioner Phillips to approve participation

with Alexander County in co-sponsoring the National Guard Deployment sendoff cookout on July 31, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. Town staff will help with the re-striping of the parking lot at the Armory. Yellow ribbons in honor of all the deployed troops from this area will be placed in Town. Passed unanimously.

Spokesperson, Erica Palmer, intern with Appalachian Voices came before the Board and asked for consideration for adoption of a Resolution stating the Town's position to urge North Carolina to not relax standards for utilities' both in and out of our state regarding pollution standards. See attachment F, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

Motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Holleman to set a public hearing for September 6, 2005 at 5:30 for the purpose of naming two private streets in Fairway Oaks subdivision. Passed unanimously. See attachment G, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

Motion by Commissioner Deal, seconded by Commissioner Holleman to allow the placement of amusements at Town Hall ballpark at the liability of the amusement contractor's own expense. Also the Apple Festival Committee will be responsible for any additional electric receptacles that may be needed. Passed unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Deal to approve a tax release for Charles Green for \$51.57 due to not being inside the town limits and Creations by Randy for 144.95 due to being discharged from bankruptcy. Passed unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Deal, seconded by Commissioner Phillips approving the following budget amendments:

1. FY 2004/05 for \$50,000 from fund balance appropriations to EU/Newton grant fund expenditures
2. FY 2005/06 for \$2081.40 from drug seizure reimb. for the Police Dept. & \$1976.00 for lightning damage reimbursement.

See attachment H, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

Police Dept. Report:

- Still awaiting notification of the grant money for the bullet proof vests.
- A \$10,000 non-matching grant is possible from the Governor's Highway Safety program.

Motion by Commissioner Deal, seconded by Commissioner Phillips approving helping out by providing mutual aid to the Hickory Police for the NCLM annual conference later this year. Passed unanimously.

Planner's Report:

- A new department store, Peeble's, will be locating in the old Harris Teeter Building.

Town Manager's Report:

- David Odom suggested a public thank you letter by placed in the Times recognizing all the people who assisted the Town in obtaining the concentrated needs grant.
- Estimates are to be obtained regarding extensions to Chevy Dr.
- By unanimous consent the Town Board gave approval for the Town Manager to have the front office expanded and to use most of the front lobby. The expansion is needed due to crowding and lack of work space for office personnel.

Motion by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Deal to set the next meeting on September 6, 2005 at 5:30 p.m. Passed unanimously.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7: 00 p.m.

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ATTEST:

Yolanda Prince
Town Clerk