

NORTH CAROLINA
YADKIN COUNTY
TOWN OF YADKINVILLE

Commissioners Present: Gene Branon,
Betty Driver, Phillip Graham, Tony Hall &
Eddie Norman
Mayor: Hubert Gregory
Attorney: Ben Harding
Manager: NA

A public hearing was convened at 6:50 p.m. on April 5, 2010, to consider a request to rezone property located on Harrison Street from R-10, Neighborhood Residential to R-8A, High-Density Residential. The request was made by Wesley Community Development on behalf of Tommy Garner and Connie Macemore.

The April meeting of the Town Board was duly held at 7:00 p.m. on April 5, 2010. Commissioner Phillip Graham offered the invocation.

Motion was made by Commissioner Eddie Norman, with corrections, to accept the March 1, 2010, and March 25, 2010, minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Graham. All Approved.

Upon motion of Commissioner Gene Branon, second by Commissioner Betty Driver and unanimous approval by the Board, the following invoices were approved for payment:

Dorsett Technologies, Inc	\$ 7,899.00
Jimmy R. Lynch & Sons, Inc	\$ 28,334.18
Carter & Kirk Paving	\$ 5,156.00

Ruth Shermer of 420 North State Street spoke on the public hearing rezoning request. She said this development will be an asset to the community and had no objections to the request.

With no one else desiring to speak, the period of public comment section was closed.

Mayor Gregory called for action on the public hearing.

Commissioner Norman made a motion to accept the rezoning request of the property located on Harrison Street from R-10, Neighborhood Residential to R-8A, High -Density Residential. Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. Ayes 5 - Noes 0

Development Director Joseph Sloop reviewed the Pedestrian Master Plan and requested approval from the Board to adopt the plan. Commissioner Graham made a motion to adopt the Pedestrian Master Plan as presented by Mr. Sloop. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Tony Hall. All were in favor.

The Town Clerk made the Board aware of the Debt Set Off Collection for March which was \$778.77 in back taxes and \$157.57 in old water bills collected, a total of \$936.28. Mrs. Hollar spoke to the Board regarding an issue of tax collection on Tim Dinkins. The Town currently pays Mr. Dinkins \$315 a month for property rental for the CDBG Grant. He owes back taxes in the amount of \$236.31. The Tax Collector has mailed a second

notice of the amount owed. She is requesting permission to take the amount owed to the Town out of the monthly rental check. Attorney Ben Harding does not foresee an issue with this request. A note will need to be attached to the check stating the amount of \$236.31 has been deducted from this check to pay back taxes owed to the Town of Yadkinville. The Town Clerk presented Budget Amendments No. 14 through 16 for adoption by the Board. Commissioner Driver moved that these amendments be adopted. Commissioner Branon seconded the motion. All approved. (See Attachment 1)

The Tax Collector asked the Board to void the following tax receipts for the reason indicated: Commissioner Norman made the motion to accept the voids, which was seconded by Commissioner Driver. All were in favor.

1. YVEDDI Holding Inc. Property is now exempt per the county	Account #2731	Receipt #1619 Amount \$130.87
2. Piedmont Authority (PART) Property is now exempt per the county	Account #2942	Receipt #1141 Amount \$342.75

The Deputy Town Clerk asked the Board if they wanted the Paid Supply List for all the checks that are generated by computer for the month or continue to provide the list for the big billing which occurs at the beginning of each month. Consensus was to provide the list for the entire month.

Public Works Director Perry Williams made the Board aware that the Arts Council will be replacing the existing sidewalk with brick pavers. Mr. Williams asked the Board if they had any suggestions, comments or concern on this issue. Mr. Williams wanted to know if the Arts Council makes this change will it be the Town's responsibility to maintain the sidewalk or the Arts Council responsibility. Attorney Ben Harding suggested that the Town have a written statement giving the Arts Council permission to replace the existing sidewalk with brick pavers, but the Arts Council is responsible for the maintenance of the sidewalk. The Town will not maintain it. Another concern was the fire hydrant that is located on the sidewalk where the brick pavers will be. The fire hydrant will need to be moved out of the brick pavers. The Board requested Mr. Williams and Fire Chief Brian Southard find the proper place to move the fire hydrant.

Development Director Joseph Sloop reported on the following;

- Mr. Bobby Todd has a Boy Scout that would like to plant flowers at the Yadkinville Community Park. All Board Members agreed.
- The Arts Council would like to close Main Street for their Grand Opening. They are also requesting to close Main Street once a month for festivals. Mr. Sloop spoke with Town Attorney Ben Harding and Police Chief Tim Parks regarding this issue and they do not have a problem with the street closing. Mr. Sloop suggested that the Arts Council obtain written permission from each surrounding business owner and from the Department of Transportation. Police Chief Tim Parks stated that the Arts Council will have to hire two officers to maintain each end of the street. The Board was in favor as long as the details, permission of the surrounding businesses and approval from the Department of Transportation are provided.

- The Easter Egg Hunt at the Yadkinville Community Park went well. There were 40-50 children at the event. Commissioner Norman made the comment that a group had a picnic under the main entrance shelter and walkers had to walk in the grass to get around the people. Commissioner Norman suggested that a sign be posted that picnics cannot be held in the main entrance. Commissioner Graham inquired about the Boy Scout Flags. Mr. Sloop replied that it is the One Hundred Years of Boy Scouting and the flags will be given to the Town at no charge. The Town will hang the flags as a part of the Town's support and donation. Mr. Sloop suggested getting a few flags and hanging at each intersection down US Highway 601. Commissioner Norman suggested installing Flag Poles at the Yadkinville Community Park. Mr. Sloop will check on the cost.

Police Chief Tim Parks submitted his monthly statistic report and made the Board aware that the Piedmont Village calls for assistance have increased significantly in the past month. He requested a meeting with the Town Attorney Ben Harding to discuss the issues and what can be done.

Fire Chief Brian Southard submitted Yadkinville Volunteer Fire Department's monthly statistic report. He handed out a flyer with burning information and stated that he would prefer not to handle the burning issues and suggested that 911 be called. Their Audit and Budget has been completed and copies will be issued to the Town. Yadkinville Volunteer Fire Department has 18 First Responders at EMT level and 65 firemen. They are now the biggest volunteer fire department in Yadkin County.

Commissioner Driver asked if the roof has been replaced at Pine Brook Residential Home. Mr. Southard said he would check on this issue and respond back to the Board.

Town Attorney Ben Harding had nothing to report.

In the absence of a Town Manager, Development Director Joseph Sloop reported on the following issues;

- Audit Firm – Paul, Cox & Todd Audit Firm will no longer perform our audits. Mr. David Todd strongly suggested a firm out of Winston-Salem, Cannon & Company. Mr. Sloop will contact Cannon & Company and arrange a meeting.
- Old US 421 East Project – Duke Energy estimated the cost of moving power poles will be \$88,000. He has not received an estimate from the telephone company. Department of Transportation will have an estimated cost of \$650,000 in the project. The Town will have an estimate of \$300,000 in the project. Mr. Sloop asked the Board if they want the road staked off. Consensus of the Board was to have it staked off.
- Christmas Lights – Mr. Sloop and Public Works Director Perry Williams met with Duke Energy. Duke Energy now has National Electric Safety Codes that have to be followed. If the light hangs out over the road, it must be fifteen feet from the ground. If it hangs out over the sidewalk, it has to be eleven feet from the ground. A different design of lights may have to be purchased in order to comply with the codes. At this time, the codes are for new additions and will not affect the current lights. Commissioner Norman suggested tabling this issue until

there is a better understanding of the cost involved. All were in favor of tabling the issue.

- Ace's Restaurant – Downtown Business Association (DBA) has approached the owner of Ace's Restaurant in regard to improving the aboveground rock fish pool. The owner has agreed to let the DBA tear out the pool and reseed with grass.
- Downtown Business Association has decided to keep the trash cans downtown and repaint them to coordinate with the colors in the new Town Banners.

Commissioner Hall had nothing to inquire about or report on.

Commissioner Graham made the Public Works Director aware of potholes at Coolidge Street/Maple Street and Eisenhower Street/Pine Street need filling.

Commissioner Norman had nothing to inquire about or report on.

Commissioner Branon inquired about the road turning radius policy. Public Works Director Perry Williams said there is not a set limit on the width of a turning radius. Mr. Williams will look at the turning radius located at the corner of East Lee and Eisenhower Street to see if anything can be done.

Commissioner Driver made the Board aware that a transportation business is being operated out of one of the mobile homes in Holt Grove Trailer Park. They are not licensed to run a business at this location. There are also seven mobile homes that have built additions to their home without the proper permits. Mr. Harding and Mr. Sloop have spoken about these issues and will discuss more in the closed session.

Commissioner Branon made a motion to go into "Closed Session" in compliance with N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3) to consult with our attorney to preserve the attorney-client privilege and N.C.G.S. 143-318-11(a)(6) consider the qualifications, competence, performance, condition of appointment of a public officer or prospective public officer. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Norman. Ayes-5, Noes-0

No action was taken in closed session. Commissioner Norman made a motion to come out of "Closed Session". Commissioner Branon seconded the motion. All approved.

With no further business to be discussed, Commissioner Graham moved that the meeting be adjourned. Commissioner Driver seconded the motion. Approval was unanimous.


Hubert Gregory, Mayor


Carmen Headen, Deputy Town Clerk