

TOWN OF YADKINVILLE  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
**MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**  
LOCATION: COMMISSIONERS CHAMBERS  
213 VAN BUREN STREET  
YADKINVILLE, NC  
**MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2017**

**OFFICIALS PRESENT:**

Mayor Eddie Norman  
Commissioners:  
    Betty Driver  
    Tony Hall  
    Chris Matthews  
    Monta Davis-Oliver  
    Scott Winebarger

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Town Manager: Perry Williams  
Public Works Director: Perry Williams  
Town Clerk: Shelia Weathers  
Chief of Police: Tim Parks  
Finance Officer: Dina Reavis

Town Attorney Ben Harding

Quorum requirements met – meeting proceeded.

**PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

Mayor Norman opened the public hearings at 5:56 p.m. The purpose of the hearing is for the voluntary annexation of approximately 1.948 acres located at 1027 Speaks Street (PIN) 5807-12-95-9410 as requested by Yadkin County.

**5:55 p.m.: Zoning Map Amendment Request (2016-ANX-01) by Yadkin County –**

Town Manager Perry Williams presented the Board with an overview of the voluntary annexation request for property at 1027 Speaks Street (PIN) #5807-12-95-9410. The property comprises approximately 1.948 acres. Mr. Williams stated that a recent audit conducted by Secretary of State land records found no official record of the annexation of this property into Town. Due to the fact, this parcel was previously believed to have been in the Town's corporate limits; it has a Town of Yadkinville zoning designation (M-1 Light Manufacturing) which eliminates the need for an initial zoning request. No one spoke during the public hearing; therefore, the hearing was closed at 5:58 p.m. by Mayor Norman.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Norman at 5:58 p.m.

**2. INVOCATION**

Mayor Norman offered the invocation.

### **3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

With no one present wishing to speak, the public comment's portion of the meeting was closed.

### **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Chris Matthews made a motion to approve the minutes as presented (listed below). Commissioner Tony Hall seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Vote: 5/0

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### **5. ACTION ON PUBLIC HEARING (Attachment #1)**

**5:55 p.m.: 2016-ANX-01/Yadkin County:**

Commissioner Monta Davis-Oliver made a motion to pass An Ordinance to Extend the Corporate Limits of the Town of Yadkinville by the voluntary annexation of 1.948 acres located at 1027 Speaks Street, further identified as (PIN) 5807-12-95-9410.

Commissioner Tony Hall seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Vote: 5/0

### **6. CONSENT AGENDA (ITEM(S) #1) (Attachment #2)**

Mr. Williams presented the consent agenda item #1 (five invoices) for the Board's consideration.

Commissioner Scott Winebarger made a motion to approve the item as submitted on the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Monta Davis-Oliver and passed unanimously.

Vote: 5/0

### **7. PRESENTATION – Presenter Mr. John Willingham**

Mr. John Willingham thanked the Town Board for allowing him to come and give an update on future projects that would impact the Town of Yadkinville. He introduced Ms. Jesse Grant (Community Outreach and Youth Education Director), Mrs. Donna Willingham (Arts Council Board Member), Ms. Jody Pounds (Director of Visual Arts). Mr. Willingham presented the Board of Commissioner with a slide show entitled, "The Yadkin Arts Center – Changing the Landscape of Yadkinville and Driving the Future Success of our Town." Mr. Willingham provided the Town Board an overview on the history and vision of the Yadkin Arts Center beginning in 2009. He noted Phase I of the center was completed in 2010 to include the restaurant, Welborn Art Gallery, outdoor patio, and Aiming for the Mark sculpture. Phase II completion date was 2012 to include the Willingham Theatre and in September 2015 with an addition of the Yadkin Valley Fiber Room. The project cost was \$4 million with funds coming from private sources with the current debt of zero. Mr. Willingham gave statistics on the number of employees, total annual budget, food service revenue, estimated sales tax and estimated "touches" (number of people who have been in contact or in touch with annually).

Mr. Willingham announced a new phase "Extending the Vision." This vision will encompass changing the Allison Oaks building to The Creative Place. He showed the

different rooms and the purpose to serve as an educational building. Mr. Willingham expressed that the new space will be utilized for inspiring, encouraging, exploring, and educating our young people artistically, academically, emotionally, physically, and socially. The sample of uses and programs at The Creative Place are as follows:

- Acting Workshops (year-round)
- Performing Arts Courses
- Technical Training
- Summer Programs/Camps
- Dance Instruction
- Music Lessons
- Study Center for Students
- Rehearsal Space
- Black Box Theater (equipped with seating, lights and sound)
- Costume Shop
- Scene Shop/Construction (basement)
- Prop Storage
- Set Storage (basement)
- Event Center (full banquet capabilities with kitchen)
- Home to the: Spotlight Theater Company (youth theater company)

He introduced Ms. Jessica Grant that holds the position of Director of Community Outreach and Performing Arts Education. Her theatrical training and knowledge will be beneficial in understanding the needs within the community. Ms. Grant will design the programming and manage The Creative Place. Mr. Willingham gave a breakdown of the funds necessary for the building purchase, upfit and operating fund. He assessed the tangible and intangible benefits of the Creative Place. The goal is to be in operation by mid-2017 as fundraising increases. In closing, Mr. Willingham emphasized the Creative Place would build pride in who we are and what we do in Yadkinville. He asked for the Town's support as the project moves forward. The Mayor and Town Board praised Mr. Willingham for his vision and bringing it to fruition.

#### **8. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT**

Fire Chief Jody Doss was absent, and no report was given.

#### **9. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT**

Chief Tim Parks submitted his monthly statistical report to the Board of Commissioners. He noted that Officer Lucia Luis was hired and sworn in as a part-time officer to fill during the absence of a full-time officer who is having surgery.

#### **10. PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Town Manager Perry Williams did not have anything to report.

#### **11. MANAGER'S REPORT**

- **Piedmont Triad Regional Council Delegate Appointment:**  
Mr. Williams stated that he received an email from Ms. Katie Mitchell regarding a vacant seat for the Town of Yadkinville on the PTRC Board of Delegates. The

Board of Delegates is the governing body of the Council of Governments; therefore, it is very important the board be properly constituted in order for PTRC to conduct its business on behalf of the region. PTRC will be addressing many significant regional issues during the upcoming year, and each member government have a delegate at the table. Mayor Norman conveyed that Commissioner Oliver volunteered to serve as the Town of Yadkinville Delegate. Commissioner Matthews agreed to serve as her backup.

- **Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) Appointment:**  
Commissioner Monta Davis-Oliver will fill the appointment for the municipality to the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC). The TAC consists of an elected official from Yadkin, Stokes, Surry and Davie counties and each municipality therein, and a member of the Board of Transportation. Commissioner Oliver is responsible for keeping the Town informed about the status and requirements of the transportation planning process, and helping to ensure meaningful public participation in the rural transportation process.
- **Long-Range Planning Committee Member**  
Mr. Williams advised with the appointment of Commissioner Matthews to the Board of Commissioners; the Long-Range Planning Committee has three representatives (two appointees only). Commissioner Matthews agreed to relinquish her position. Commissioner Monta Davis-Oliver and Commissioner Scott Winebarger will continue to represent the Board on this committee.
- **Foreclosed Property-N.C.G.S. §160A-269**  
As discussed in last Town Board meeting, Mr. Williams advised the Board that he spoke with the County Manager Lisa Hughes regarding the foreclosed properties recently acquired by the Town. He stated that the County was willing to deed the properties to the Town and in turn, the Town can advertise and sell (as described in the NCGS 160A-269; Negotiated offer, advertisement, and upset bids). The Town and County will split the cost and revenue from the sell.

Commissioner Chris Matthews made a motion to accept the properties from Yadkin County and proceed with the sell of the foreclosed properties. Commissioner Monta Davis-Oliver seconded the motion and passed unanimously. Vote: 5/0

- **2017 Tax Bill Reformat**  
Mr. Williams submitted a copy of the new 2017 tax bill reformat for their approval. Mayor Norman and the Town Board were of the opinion that the Town Manager could make the final decision on tax bill reformat. Mr. Williams expressed it would be a quicker process and more cost efficient.
- **Annual Meeting of the Yadkin County Chamber of Commerce:**  
Mr. Williams reminded the Town Board that the Annual Meeting of the Yadkin County Chamber of Commerce to be held on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at the Yadkin County Agricultural and Educational Center. Investor's reception will begin at 6:00 p.m. with dinner following at 6:45 p.m. The RSVP deadline is January 18<sup>th</sup>. He noted to contact Town Clerk, Shelia Weathers with their reservation to submit to Mrs. Jamie Johnson.

- **Dish Garden Art Ribbon Cutting:**  
Mr. Williams announced the date of the ribbon cutting for the Dish Garden Art Floral and Event Planning. The ribbon cutting begins at 12:00 and open house following until 4:00 p.m. at 501 East Main Street.
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday:**  
Mr. Williams reminder the Town Board that Town Hall and facilities will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

## **12. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

### **Mayor Eddie Norman:**

- Commended and thanked the Public Works Department on the exceptional job done on clearing of the streets and making the Town safe after the snow storm. He asked about protocol on clearing of the sidewalks for the safety of the downtown businesses. Mayor Norman suggested investigating the possibility of purchasing an ATV. Commissioner Matthews recommended obtaining some quotes.

### **Commissioner Betty Driver:**

- Pinebrook Residential Center needs addressing.

## **13. CLOSE SESSION**

Commissioner Tony Hall made a motion to go into “Closed Session” at 6:30 p.m. pursuant to N.C.G.S 143.318.11(a)(6) – To consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee; and N.C.G.S 143.318.11(a)(1) – To prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to the law of this State or of the United States, or not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes. Commissioner Monta Davis-Oliver seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Vote: 5/0

Commissioner Monta Davis-Oliver made a motion to come out of “Closed Session” at 6:55 p.m. Commissioner Betty Driver seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

### **ADDED ITEM: SIGNAGE FOR INDUSTRIAL PARK**

The Town Board discussed renaming the street currently designated Chipita Way, which loops around Unifi Industrial and also naming the industrial park (Lydall & Unifi). Mayor Norman made the Town Board aware that the renaming would be required before signage can be erected rerouting traffic from the downtown area. After some discussion, Commissioner Scott Winebarger made a motion to name the industrial park “Yadkinville Industrial Park” and the street name change to “Industrial Drive.” Commissioner Monta Davis-Oliver seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

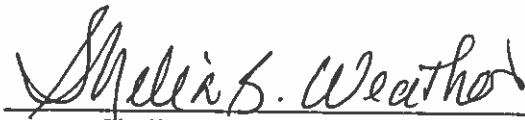
Vote: 5/0

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, Commissioner Monta Davis-Oliver moved the meeting be adjourned. Commissioner Betty Driver seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:05 p.m.  
Vote: 5/0

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Eddie Norman, Mayor

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Shelia B. Weathers, Town Clerk