

TOWN OF YADKINVILLE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
LOCATION: COMMISSIONERS CHAMBERS
213 VAN BUREN STREET
YADKINVILLE, NC 27055
OCTOBER 7, 2013

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Mayor Hubert Gregory

Commissioners:

Gene Branon

Betty Driver

Phillip Graham

Tony Hall

Eddie Norman

STAFF PRESENT:

Town Manager: Christopher Ong

Town Clerk: Carmen Headen

Chief of Police: Tim Parks

Public Works Director: Perry

Williams

Quorum (4) is met – Meeting proceeded

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hubert Gregory called the meeting order at 7:00 p.m.

2. INVOCATION

Commissioner Phillip Graham offered the invocation.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Gregory introduced the new utility clerk, Megan Brown and Mr. Kelly Oliver who will be running for Town Commissioner.

Mr. Millard Ashley Jr. spoke to the Board about an issue he is having regarding his neighbor's property overgrown with trees and vegetation encroaching over the property fence and onto his property. Mr. Ashley showed the Board pictures of said vegetation taken from his property. Town Attorney Benjamin Harding advised the Board that Mr. Ashley could address the situation privately or it could be enforced through the Noxious Weed Ordinance. Commissioner Eddie Norman instructed the Town Manger to send the owner a letter under the Noxious Weed Ordinance. If the owner does not clean up the weeds, then the Town will clean up the property and bill the owner.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Norman made a motion to approve the September 9, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes and the September 9, 2013 Closed Session Minutes. Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Vote: 5/0

5. REQUEST FOR VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION – DARYL WILLIAMS, GRAY GARRISON AND TOWN OF YADKINVILLE PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY.

Mr. Garrison has agreed to petition the Town for annexation of a 150' wide strip of land contiguous to the town limits along Fred Hinshaw Road, from Unifi Industrial to the

Town Public Works Facility with the agreement that the Town will pay to have it surveyed and for future development considerations. The annexation will also take in the Town Public Works Facility and Mr. Daryl William's property located at 1541 Fred Hinshaw Road, as Mr. Williams has also petitioned the Town for voluntary annexation. Commissioner Branon made a motion to adopt the Resolution Directing the Town Clerk to Investigate the Zoning Petition. Commissioner Norman seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Vote: 5/0

6. REQUEST TO DEDICATE ROAD TO TOWN – ROBERT BALDWIN

Mr. Baldwin has submitted the maps, plat of dedication, and sheet of assigned values to the Town Manager to request that the Town accept Parkview Drive as a Town-maintained public road. Commissioner Norman asked Public Works Director Perry Williams if everything was set to take in this road. Mr. Williams stated in order to keep from having problems in the future, that the road needs to have a tile installed. After brief discussion, it was agreed upon and motion made to accept the road but if there is a problem with the road from not having a tile installed within the next 5-10 years that Mr. Baldwin will pay for the material to have the tile installed. Commissioner Branon made the motion, Commissioner Norman seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Vote: 5/0

7. MR. ANDREW MACKIE – DANIEL BOONE TRAIL REDEDICATION OCTOBER 13, 2013

Mr. Andrew Mackie made the Board aware and invited them to the Daniel Boone Trail Rededication Ceremony on Sunday, October 13, 2013 from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. He also requested that the Town supply the refreshments. Commissioner Norman made a motion for the Town to sponsor the refreshments for this event. Commissioner Tony Hall seconded the motion. All approved.

Vote: 5/0

8. CONSENT AGENDA (ITEMS #1-5)

A motion to accept the Consent Agenda, as presented by the Town Manager, was made by Commissioner Graham. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Betty Driver.

Vote: 5/0

See Attachment #1 – Agenda #8

9. PAVING OF CHERRY STREET

Public Works Director Perry Williams gave a cost estimate of \$2,000 to install tile on Cherry Street. After a long discussion on the issue, the consensus of the Board was for the Town to pave Cherry Street and to install the tile.

Mr. Williams also spoke to the Board and requested their direction on what to do from Van Buren Street (at Wachovia Bank) down Hemlock Street. After a brief discussion, the consensus of the Board was to pave from Van Buren Street (at Wachovia Bank) down Hemlock Street.

Mr. Williams requested approval from the Board on the Resolution for Approving Local Water Supply Plan. Commissioner Norman made a motion to approve said resolution. Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. All approved.
Vote: 5/0

Public Works Director's Report #13 moved up

10. DISCUSSION ON FUTURE SEWER EXTENSION

Commissioner Norman, Commissioner Branon, and Town Manager Christopher Ong met with Mr. Gray Garrison regarding a proposed future sewer line extension on Unifi Industrial Blvd. The proposed extension will be from Old Highway 421 to the sewer line and from Lee Avenue to the sewer line and will be installed at the Town's expense. The Board authorized Public Works Director Perry Williams to get a quote on installing the sewer line and bring the quote back to the Board at the November 4, 2013 meeting.

11. YADKIN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief Brian Southard reported monthly activities.

Police Department moved down #12 and Manager's Report moved up #14

Public Works Director's Report #13 moved up and discussed under #9 Paving of Cherry Street.

14. MANAGER'S REPORT

Town Manager Christopher Ong presented a request for support from Yadkin County of the "Clean and Beautiful Yadkin County Program." No action was taken.

Mr. Ong presented the Yadkin Appearance Committee Report, reporting the Committee met last week and discussed two project recommendations. The first recommendation was to pressure wash the sidewalk on the south side of Main Street from the corner of Jackson Street to the Yadkin Arts Council. The cost is estimated to be between \$500 and \$600 with money available in the Planning budget. Commissioner Norman stated that the Board of Commissioners needs to support the Yadkin Appearance Committee. The Board requested for the Town Manager to see if this project needs to be done. The second recommendation is that the Committee is interested in putting Fall planters and a Welcome to Yadkinville sign at the northwest corner of the Yadkin County Courthouse. Mr. Ong made the committee aware that a letter will need to be sent to the county to see whether they will allow this.

Mr. Ong updated the Board on several outstanding code violations. The condemnation of the house at 100 Taft Street will come before the Board at the November 4, 2013 Meeting. The owners of the Holt Grove Trailer Park have been sent a notice of violation and they have until October 15, 2013 to have the park cleaned up.

Mr. Ong advised the Board to consider reviewing the Town's Open-Air Burning Ordinance. There is a conflict between the Town's ordinance and the N.C. Administrative Code regulating open burning which is causing confusion amongst different agencies and citizens.

Mr. Ong reported that the Town's ordinance dealing with open-air burning is in conflict with the N.C. Administrative Code (NCAC) which prohibits open burning of leaves, tree branches and yard trimmings if public pickup is available and remedies a civil penalty and is unenforceable by a law enforcement officer or the fire department. By contrast, the Town's ordinance allows an exception for "the preparation of food and for burning leaves, recreational campfires and ceremonies, and burning of trees, brush and shrubs in an open-pit incinerator," and a violation of the ordinance is a misdemeanor.

In some cases, the Police Department is being dispatched instead of the Fire Department. Mr. Ong reviewed both ordinances for the Board. Mr. Ong reported that he had met with Chief Tim Parks and Captain Patrick Long about this and advised that the staff recommendation is to consider adopting the NCAC language enforceable by police if need be. The consensus of the Board was to follow the State Burning Ordinance.

12. POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Chief Tim Parks reported monthly activities.
- Requested surplus of vehicle – 2003 Ford Crown Vic. Estimated at \$1,000. VIN #2FAHP71W43X178709. Consensus of the Board was to surplus vehicle.
- Requested permission to trade in a 2007 Dodge Charge VIN#2B3LA43R87H660693 to help purchase another car. Consensus of the Board was to use this car as trade in.

15. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Hall remarked that yard sale signs in the town need to be removed. The Police Department will handle this.

Commissioner Graham inquired about the opening of the new Dollar Tree store. Town Clerk Carmen Headen reported that they have submitted their sign permit but there was no information on a grand opening date.

Commissioner Norman inquired about the new LED signs for the Park. Town Manager Christopher Ong will check on them this week. Commissioner Norman asked what was being done at the old Sears building located on Main Street (across from library). The Town Manager stated that they are replacing the roof. Fire Chief Southard stated added that they are also refurbishing the inside.

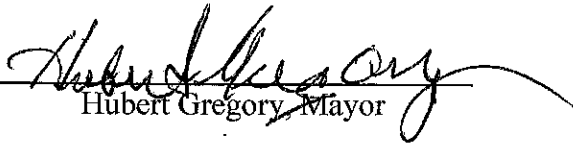
Commissioner Branon commented that the Town is still having an issue with tractor trailers accessing State Street to Main Street. The Town Manager will check with DOT on directional signs.

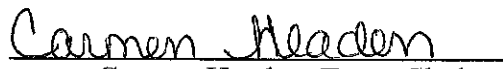
Mayor Gregory thanked the Board for their time and commitment with working through the Yadkin County Jail issues and he also thanked Public Works crew for working hard on the issues.

16. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to be discussed, Commissioner Norman moved that the meeting be adjourned. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:30 p.m.

Vote: 5/0


Hubert Gregory, Mayor


Carmen Headen, Town Clerk