

## **REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**

June 2, 2009

Present: Mayor Pro Tempore George Holleman

Comm. Jack Lerner, Comm. Ronnie Robinette, & Comm. Kenny Poole

Absent: Mayor Guy E. Barriger

The regular meeting was opened for business by Mayor Pro Tempore Holleman at 5:30 p.m.

The invocation was given by Mayor Pro Tempore Holleman. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

A motion was made by Comm. Poole and seconded by Comm. Robinette to approve adding item #6a to the agenda. Public Hearing on an Amendment to the Flood Ordinance. Passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Poole, seconded by Commissioner Robinette to approve the agenda. Passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lerner and seconded by Commissioner Poole to approve the May 5th, 2009 regular meeting minutes. Passed unanimously.

### Open Forum:

Sterling Howard came before the Town Board asking for help on Sterling Lane. He stated that the private road had erosion problems and believes that some of the problems stem from the sewer line that is under the center of the road and also from the water line that is along the side of the road. He mentioned that the citizens pay high outside water & sewer rates and have asked to be annexed into the town limits. But were unable to be annexed due to the fact that not all citizens would agree to be annexed and also that the feasibility study showed that the increased households vs. revenue received would place a heavy burden on the town. He stated that the citizens along the private road had agreed to pay ½ of the expense if the town would pay the other ½ for the road to be paved. Right of way would have to be granted from all the landowners affected along Sterling Lane. He is to get an agreement stating that right of way would be granted along with the commitment of ½ the cost with all the signatures necessary of the affected landowners and meet with Town Manager, David Odom and proceed to remedy the erosion problems on Sterling Lane.

Chip Sweeney with the Alexander County Chamber of Commerce came before the Town Board and gave a brief overview of the Chambers activities of the recent year. He asked for a joint meeting with the Chamber and Town Board. A joint meeting will be scheduled as soon as possible.

Mayor Pro Tempore Holleman opened the first public hearing regarding the text amendment for the flood ordinance for the town. The needed wording will amend Section A, Article 6 page 19 of the flood ordinance. No other comments and or discussion were heard and the hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Robinette, seconded by Commissioner Lerner to approve the request to amend Section A, Article 6 page 19 of the flood ordinance for the Town. Passed unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tempore Holleman opened the second public hearing for the first reading of the proposed FY 2009/2010 budget for the Town of Taylorsville. The total budget will be 3,066,315.00. There will be no property tax increase. It will remain at .35/100 valuation. The cemetery lot prices are being recommended to be increased. Also, the water & sewer rates will see a new rate structure which will cause increases based on the amount of water/sewer a household or business uses. There will not be any job loses or reductions and salaries will remain the same as last year. Some fund balance will be used in order to balance the budget for this next year. As of this date, there is uncertainty of the amount of sales taxes that will be released to the towns and counties from the state of NC. We are planning on a reduction in the overall amount received from last year by 10%. This amount may be more but we will not know until later on into the new FY. The first ever established bus route will be established in Taylorsville Monday thru Friday and will be for local stops within the town limits. Other links into other counties are available for further transportation. Dennis Chapman asked what would happen if the state withheld all the sales tax revenue from towns and counties. David stated that the town had sufficient reserves to offset losing those revenues; however, we would not want to have to do that because our reserves would deplete quickly. No other questions or concerns were expressed and the public hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Poole, seconded by Commissioner Lerner to approve the adoption of the Resolution accepting and endorsing the Solid Waste Plan for Alexander County. Passed unanimously. See attachment A, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

Mayor Pro Tempore Holleman mentioned that Alexander County delivered a memo hours before the present Town Board meeting outlining their upcoming new charges to the town regarding animal control and building inspections that they will provide. Further review will be needed before a reply can be made by the Town Board.

David Odom gave an update on the street paving going on around town. Over 120 manholes have been rehabbed. We have applied for 3 internships through the WPCOG and if awarded they will last for 6 weeks and provide 2 additional personnel in the W&S dept for meter replacement and 1 office staff position. David asked for consideration to purchase additional radio-read meters in order to be ready for installation if the internships are approved. By unanimous consent the board approved the purchase of additional radio-read meters as funds would allow.

A motion was made by Commissioner Poole, seconded by Commissioner Lerner to approve the

following budget amendments for the current FY 08/09 as follows:

Fund an additional \$65,500 from FB to powell bill

Fund an additional \$68,400 from FB to GF departments

Move \$3243.00 from W&S Contingency to W&S sales tax

Receipt in \$12,650.00 of insurance proceeds to the police dept. for the wrecked police car

Receipt in \$2127.50 reimb. from Alex. County for the DWI conference

Move \$3100.00 from Adm. salaries to professional development

Passed unanimously. See attachment B1, B2, B3& B4 which are hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

The following high bids were awarded to

Aaron Wike	Snapper Mower	\$155.00
Pete Gaesser	1999 Crown Vic VIN#919	\$1300.00
Math Johnson	2004 Crown Vic VIN#046	\$1350.00
BME Motors	1999 Crown Vic VIN#920	\$677.00

For the surplus equipment advertised for sale.

The standard police report was given by Lt. Doug Bowman.

The public works director stated that all in town was on schedule. Nothing out of the ordinary to report.

With no more business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m

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Yolanda Prince, Town Clerk