

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

January 6, 2015

Present: Mayor George B. Holleman
Mayor Pro-Tem Kenny Poole
Commissioner Ronnie Robinette
Commissioner Edd Elliott, Jr.
Commissioner Jack I. Lerner

The regular meeting was opened for business by Mayor George Holleman at 5:30 p.m. The invocation was given by David Land. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Elliott and seconded by Commissioner Poole to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Elliot and seconded by Commissioner Poole to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

Open Forum:

No comments in open forum.

Special Recognition was in order for 1st Sergeant Kevin Elder and patrolman Tyler Land for their heroic efforts. A plaque was presented to each honoring their actions above and beyond the call of duty for the safe evacuation of the residents of New Outlook Living facility. The building was on fire and full of smoke when they arrived on the scene. They crawled thru the facility and evacuated the residents thru a window to safety. Sergeant Elder was slightly injured during the evacuation.

The joint project between the Town and Energy United for the Water Efficiency Project is not complete. It was a success with over 13,500 linear feet of water lines installed and 2 new pump stations. Both water tanks and now cleaned and upgraded with computer assisted 24-7 monitoring. A new water pumping station on Hwy 90 East, new interconnects increasing volume and stabilizing system pressures, radio read meter system that is identical between the two water systems. New pumps and building retrofit at the base of Linney's mountain pump house. A motion was made by Commissioner Poole and seconded by Commissioner Robinette to approve the decrease of the project by \$9,358.21 on change order #5. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lerner and seconded by Commissioner Elliott to approve the long term diffuser maintenance plan. The plan is a 6 year maintenance schedule with Infinity Maintenance Program. The Town will benefit from an established cycle of replacement for the diffuser basins in a planned and annually budgeted agreement. The motion was passed unanimously.

Police Chief Dennis James stated that there were 770 calls this month. Notable events recently include shop lifting at Wal-Mart, the Christmas parade, the Santa mailbox and letters project and the fire at New Behavioral Outlook.

David Odom gave the report for the public works dept. stating that the leaf season is over and the Christmas tree roundup is in gear. More water line replacement work will need to be done on Old Wilkesboro road. The street sweeper is in the shop.

A motion was made by Commissioner Robinette and seconded by Commissioner Poole to go into closed session to discuss economic development. The motion was passed unanimously. No action was taken just discussion regarding possible development and locations within the town limits.

A motion was made by Commissioner Poole and seconded by Commissioner Elliott to exit closed session to discuss economic development. The motion was passed unanimously.

The next regular scheduled meeting will be on February 3rd, 2014 at 5:300 pm in the council chambers of town hall.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45pm.

Mayor

Commissioner

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Attest: _____
Yolanda T. Prince, Town Clerk