

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

May 1, 2018

Present: Mayor George 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 Holleman at 5:30 p.m. The invocation was given by Mayor Holleman. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Elliott and seconded by Commissioner Poole to add the following items to the agenda. Item 11a. – closed session – contractual matter

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 Elliott and seconded by Commissioner Poole to approve the minutes from April 3, 2018 regular meeting. The motion was passed unanimously.

Open Forum:

Brett Fansler, Executive Director CVCC Alexander Campus gave a brief overview of what the Alexander County campus offers students and also Alexander ACHS students who take college classes while still in high school. Some of the things that are offered at the Alexander campus include GED, ESL, academic tutoring and open computer lab. There is also continuing education such as Alexander furniture academy, CNA, Phlebotomy, EMT/EMS training, photography, sewing, notary and workforce development training. Alexander Early College or ACHS Cohort, where high school students earn college course credits. Over 50 students are currently enrolled and 30 are enrolled in the welding technology and metallurgy working towards a 2 year degree in Applied Science while still in high school. Mr. Fansler said he hopes to see automotive technology offered and maybe heavy equipment operator's classes offered. He hopes to see the Alexander campus expand and offer a wider variety of skills/trades such as the Mooresville CVCC campus has done.

McDonald's owner John Link and store manager Shelia James came before the board to express their thanks for such an easy transition from the previous owners of the old McDonald's to the removal and rebuilding of the new modern McDonald's. The ribbon cutting to unveil the new McDonald's will be May 15th and the grand opening will be the 17th.

Taylorsville Fire Chief, Charlie Marshall came before the board to Thank the Town Board for their years of support of the Taylorsville fire department. They have over 40 firefighters and have an auxiliary also. They received a 50/50 matching grant from the NC State forestry Service. They have also applied for a matching grant from the state for turn out gear for 10 fire fighters. It cost over 3,000 for turn out gear for 1 person. They have discussed approaching the county commissioners about increasing the fire tax to help offset expenses.

There were no comments from citizens in open forum.

A motion was made by Commissioner Robinette and seconded by Commissioner Poole to approve declaring the Ark in Matheson Park as surplus property. It will be donated to the Tommy Smith family. The Tommy Smith family donated a new playground set and merry go round to Matheson Park in memory of their grandson Braxton Smith. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Robinette and seconded by Commissioner Elliott to approve adopting a Resolution Approving Local Water Supply Plan as required by NCGS 143-355(I) for 2017. The motion was passed unanimously. See attachment A, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

The motion was made by Commissioner Robinette and seconded by Commissioner Elliott to approve the attached budget transfers for the general fund. The motion was passed unanimously. See attachment B, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Poole and seconded by Commissioner Robinette to call for public hearings on the budget for June 5th and June 19th at 5:30 in the council chambers. The motion was passed unanimously.

Staff Reports:

Police Chief Dennis James noted 751 calls, 17 accidents and 24 arrests in April 2018 with a total of 3085 calls for the year. He noted Robin's Run was a success. He also noted that Mayfest is scheduled for next Saturday. Mayor Holleman commends officer Zachary Stevenson for his actions while off duty to help fellow officers with assistance.

David Robinette, Public Works Director submitted a written report.

David Odom, Town Manager states that the 1st economic summit was held with business leaders here in town and the county trying to establish a Taylorsville Merchants Association. There were 10 representatives of downtown business owners present. The nuisance abatement order will take place on May 9th at 315 S. Center Street. The ARC grant which is part of the 2015 WWTP Rehabilitation project was monitored by representatives and all was in order including site inspection and paperwork. May 12th will possibly be the dedication ceremony for the new playground equipment donated by the Tommy Smith family.

The next meetings will be June 5th & June 19th, 2018 at 5:30 in the Council Chambers at Town Hall.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lerner and seconded by Commissioner Robinette to go into closed session in order to discuss a contractual matter. The motion was passed unanimously.

Discussion was held regarding the ongoing contractual dispute with State Utility Contractor's over work at the WWTP. More discussions will occur to see if an amicable agreement can be

reached and will be reported on at the next meeting. No action was taken. A motion was made by Commissioner Lerner and seconded by Commissioner Robinette to exit closed session and return to regular session was made. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Poole and seconded by Commissioner Robinette to adjourn the meeting at 7:20. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mayor

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Attest: _____
Yolanda T. Prince, Town Clerk