

TOWN BOARD MEETING – REGULAR MEETING

October 1, 2024

Present: Mayor George Holleman
Mayor Pro Tem Eric Bumgarner
Councilwoman Tamara Odom
Councilman Jack Simms
Councilwoman Kim Brown

The regular meeting was opened for business by Mayor Holleman at 5:30 p.m. The invocation was given by Councilman Bumgarner. The Pledge of Allegiance followed and was led by Councilwoman Brown.

A motion was made by Councilman Simms and seconded by Councilman Bumgarner to approve and adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

Open Forum:

There were no comments in open forum.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brown and seconded by Councilwoman Odom to approve and adopt the agenda with the following clarification:

The public notice on annexation petition request is postponed until a later time.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brown and seconded by Councilwoman Odom to approve the following items:

1. Approval of regular meeting minutes from September 3rd, 2024
2. Approval of closed session minutes from September 3rd, 2024

The motion was passed unanimously.

Business Items:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brown and seconded by Councilwoman Odom to approve an amendment to the WPCOG contract and to West Consultants for engineering for the GIS Utility Mapping System Project. The funds will be distributed between the WPCOG and the engineering firm for work completed respectively. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Bumgarner and seconded by Councilwoman Odom to approve the amendment to the Capital Project Budget Ordinance for the GIS Utility Mapping Project as part of the 2022 Sewer Collections System Assessment Project AIA-W-ARP-0167. adoption of a Resolution designating personnel responsible for signatures drawn against town funds. The motion was passed unanimously. See attachment A, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

A motion was made by Councilman Simms and seconded by Councilman Bumgarner to approve

the adoption of a nondiscrimination policy as required by U.S. Department of Treasury pursuant to the allocation of Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund or Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund and the American Rescue Plan Act which are subject to the U.S. Department of Treasury regulations, including the Final Rule, Aeadr Terms and Conditions, and the Title VII implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 22. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Bumgarner and seconded by Councilman Simms to approve the adoption of a Cost Principles Policy pursuant to the allocation of funds from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds of H.R. 1319 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP/CSLFRF). The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Odom and seconded by Councilwoman Brown to approve the adoption of an Eligible Use Policy pursuant to the allocation of funds from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds of H.R. 1319 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP/CSLFRF). The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brown and seconded by Councilman Bumgarner to approve the adoption of a separate Record Retention Policy pursuant to the allocation of funds from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds of H.R. 1319 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP/CSLFRF). The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Simms and seconded by Councilwoman Odom to approve the updated Town of Taylorsville Record Retention Policy pursuant to updates from the North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources Division of Archives and Records Government Records Section. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brown and seconded by Councilwoman Odom to approve the purchase of equipment from Playworld Company to be installed at Matheson Park to replace outdated and unsafe equipment previously removed from the park site. The cost of the equipment and installation is \$33,070.38. An additional \$4,397.70 will be needed for the soft-cone mulch needed around the equipment. The existing sand will be removed and the soft-cone rubber mulch will be used because the sand is abrasive and deteriorates the paint & equipment much faster. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brown and seconded by Councilman Bumgarner to approve the budget amendment for the purchase of the new playground equipment and soft mulch totaling \$37,468.08 from GF fund balance to GF Capital Outlay - purchase of new equipment. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Bumgarner and seconded by Councilwoman Brown to approve a budget amendment receipting in insurance reimbursement for the damaged patrol car totaling \$10,936.25. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Bumgarner and seconded by Councilwoman Brown to approve a budget amendment receipting in scrap metal proceeds for the old playground equipment totaling \$237.60. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Odom and seconded by Councilman Simms to approve a budget amendment receipting in proceeds from the sale of surplus property a 2000 Bobcat mower on GovDeals totaling \$728.00. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Bumgarner and seconded by Councilwoman Odom approve a resolution authorizing specific individuals of the administrative staff for the Town of Taylorsville to execute financing documents and enter into financing agreements with selected financial institutions on behalf of the town. The motion was passed unanimously. See attachment B, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

A motion was made Councilwoman Brown and seconded by Councilman Simms to authorize Town Manager to write a letter on behalf of the town to the NC ABC Commission regarding the request from Catawba County ABC Board to dissolve the merger between the town boards and the town's opposition to the dissolution. The motion was passed with a vote of 4 to 1, with Councilman Bumgarner voting nay.

Staff Reports:

Police Chief, Mike Millsaps.

Chief Millsaps stated that he is thankful that the storm was not as bad here as the western mountain counties. We had minimal damage compared to what they did and will continue to endure. All agencies came together to cooperatively work together to be ready for the storm. There was a total of 640 calls last month. There are now 2 Taylorsville resource officers at the high school and we are fully staffed and are seeking additional part-time help that can work when needed.

Public Utilities Manager: Aaron Wike

Aaron Wike states that work should begin on sidewalks this month. Fairway Oaks, Princeton Forest and Green Meadows are all scheduled for paving and that should begin soon. The culvert at Northwood Park is damaged and will have to be repaired. The box-drain at Matheson Park will need repairs due to the storm. The annual apple festival is approaching Saturday October 19, 2024. He stated it was good to see the community come together in the midst of hurricane Helene. We were very blessed to not have had substantial damage like our neighbors to the west. We did have 6 SSO's throughout our system due to excessive stormwater infiltration. Since the water levels have subsided, the treatment plant is working properly and no further issues have occurred.

Town Manager: Nathan Hester

Nathan Hester states that the state of emergency was re-scended as of Monday September 30, 2024. Some town staff will be assisting our neighbors to the west with storm damages soon. He would like to schedule a work session and have representatives with NC Dept. of Commerce present and Alexander County Elections Board present to discuss economic development strategic planning and the election cycle. The urgent care building also needs discussion.

Finance Director: Zach Greene

He states that the draft financials for FY 2022/2023 are being reviewed by Martin Starnes & Associates and are waiting on final word to wrap that fiscal year up and then proceed onto FY

2023-2024 as soon as possible in order to be back on normal schedule.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brown and seconded by Councilman Bumgarner to set the next regularly scheduled meeting for November 5, 2024 at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers of Town Hall. The motion was passed unanimously.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor

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Attest: _____
Yolanda T. Prince, Town Clerk