

Meeting Minutes
November 12, 2012

Mayor Lewis called the regular meeting to order at 7:30pm and gave the invocation. Commissioners present were Danny Alford, Cherrye Davis, Dale Bachmann, and J.W. McClenny. Commissioner Harold Meacombs was absent. Eleven guests attended, as well as Police Chief Dennis Murray.

Mayor Lewis opened the floor for Public Comment. Brandie Holt, Robert Johnson, and McKinley Pulley addressed the Board with various concerns. Mayor Lewis thanked the citizens for their comments and closed the session.

The October meeting minutes were unanimously approved in a motion by Commissioner Alford and seconded by Commissioner Bachmann.

Amendments to clarify motions in the June 11, 2012 and the September 28, 2012 minutes were approved unanimously in a motion by Commissioner Bachmann and seconded by Commissioner McClenny.

Mayor Lewis requested to add a Closed Session under G.S.143-318.11(a)(6) to discuss personnel matters as the last item on the agenda, and add Item 8 (c) under New Business, discuss changes to the community building lease agreement". Commissioner McClenny moved to approve the amended agenda. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Clerk Lambert reviewed the October financial statements, which were unanimously approved in a motion by Commissioner McClenny and seconded by Commissioner Alford.

Commissioner Bachmann advised he has purchased parts for sewer inventory to begin the project of rebuilding sewer pumps at all eleven of the town's lift stations, one at a time, until completed.

Mr. McKinley Pulley and Louise Pulley addressed the Board asking for an update on their request for the town to tie in the dead end lines on S. Oak Street, adding that their clothes are discolored, they cannot use the water, and they are buying water from the grocery store.

Commissioner Bachmann advised Mr. and Mrs. Pulley that he went to talk to them before he left to go on vacation last week to talk with them, but no one was home. He checked the lines on S. Oak, and found the line by the Pulley residence is a 3/4" line. He also advised that he will begin this week replacing the 3/4 " line by the Pulley residence with a 2" line down the entire right side of S. Oak Street, which should address the Pulley's problems. He confirmed the project is on the top of the list. The project was scheduled to begin today, but an

employee was absent due to illness. The Utility Department will be working on the project this week, and try to be finished by November 15th. Commissioner Bachmann advised the Pulley's that he would come by to see them tomorrow to take a look at their water.

Commissioner Davis advised she has been organizing children's books and has been preparing for painting and carpeting in the library. Mayor Lewis advised that he is checking on prices for a carport-type shelter at the rear of the library versus an awning.

Mayor Lewis and Commissioner Davis are checking into a Game Time grant which is available to purchase playground equipment for the Wellness Park. For equipment purchases under \$50,000, the grant would cover 67% of the cost. Commissioner Alford added we should continue to check out any free money.

Mayor Lewis updated the Board on several ongoing projects: (1) the slide has arrived for the West Hanes Park, (2) NC Public Water Supply is reviewing the final contract documents for the Free Will Baptist Children's Home Water Line Project, and as soon as we get the final approval from them, the pre-construction conference will be held, (3) duct work is being replaced at the Dental Office facility, and (4) price quotes are being obtained for the renovation project for the interior at the police department.

Commissioner Bachmann moved to confirm the telephone vote to upgrade the flow meter replacing the obsolete meter at the Mudcat Stadium lift station and amend the 2012-2013 budget for the project. Commissioner McClenny seconded and the following budget amendment passed unanimously:

<u>SEWER FUND EXPENDITURES:</u>		<u>INCREASE</u>
<u>Sewer Fund:</u>		
30-800-7402	Flowmeter Upgrade-Mudcat Stadium	10,000.00
<u>SEWER FUND REVENUES:</u>		
30-375-9800	Contingency Appropriated	10,000.00

Commissioner Alford moved to hire Jimmy Garcia as part time Utility Worker effective October 29, 2012, at \$9.00 per hour for 16 to 24 hours per week, not to exceed 1,000 hours per year. Commissioner McClenny seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Bachmann moved to adopt the 2007 Local Water Supply Plan, updated in 2012, as presented and required by NC Division of Water

Resources. Commissioner Davis seconded and the plan was adopted unanimously.

Discussion to adopt rates for extensive administrative work (any request requiring over an hour), and equipment and labor rates for emergency repairs by town personnel, was tabled until the December meeting to allow further review.

Mayor Lewis brought to the Board's attention problems with a renter at the community building over the weekend. Alcohol bottles were left in the building and in the yard, tables turned upside down, coolers left behind, dirt, and scratches on the tile floor from soccer cleats. The thermostat was not left in the proper position, so almost all of the rules were broken. Mayor Lewis added that the \$50 deposit was not sufficient to cover problems and enough incentive for the renter to follow the rules. He recommended to increase the deposit equal to the rental fee for in town and out of town renters. He also recommended to add to the lease agreement that the police officer on duty will go by sometime during the event to check to see that all the rules are being followed. Commissioner Bachmann was against the increase in deposit fees, stating that we had gone a couple of years with no major problems. Commissioner Alford added that if the renter follows the rules, the deposit is refundable anyway. Commissioner Alford moved to increase the deposit for renting the community building equal to the rental rates for in town and out of town renters, and to add the wording to the lease agreement that the police will inspect during the event. Commissioner Davis seconded, and the motion passed with a three to one vote, with the dissenting vote being Commissioner Bachmann.

Commissioner Alford moved to go into Closed Session under G.S.143-318.11(a)(6) to discuss personnel matters.

Back in Open Session, and being no further business, Commissioner Bachmann moved to adjourn.

Jennifer Lambert, Clerk

Mayor Lu Harvey Lewis, Jr.
Commissioners
Danny Alford
Dale Bachmann
Cherrye Davis
J.W. McClenny