

## **REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**

May 6, 2008

Present: Mayor Guy Barriger

Mayor Pro Tempore, George Holleman

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

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

The invocation was given by Commissioner Holleman. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Motion by Comm. Robinette, seconded by Comm. Holleman to approve the following changes to the agenda. Passed unanimously.

Addition of Item 6A – Consideration and action for a FY 2007/08 budget amendment for needed tree removal on 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Addition of Item 14A – Abatement of penalties on utility account.

Motion by Comm. Robinette, seconded by Comm. Holleman to adopt the agenda. Passed unanimously.

Motion by Comm. Holleman, seconded by Comm. Robinette to approve the minutes from the April 1<sup>st</sup> regular meeting and the April 17<sup>th</sup> special meeting. Passed unanimously.

Open Forum:

Karen Bowles spoke about the excessive noise of the boom boxes and loud car stereos in town.

A motion was made by Comm. Holleman and seconded by Comm. Lerner to approve a budget amendment from GF fund balance to streets & sanitation department for \$30,000.00 for the removal of 6 dead trees from South Center Street. Passed unanimously. See attachment A, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

Mayor Barriger opened the public hearing for the close-out of the Pop Davis CDBG grant project. Over 45 homes received water and or sewer services and 3 lots were made available for Habitat for Humanity. No citizens were present for comment and the hearing was closed.

Discussion of the town privilege license tax was tabled until a later date.

Clarification of the Town's current ABC statute does allow the sale of fortified and non-fortified wine on premises sales which was passed under the 1965 referendum. After discussion the Town Board unanimously felt that the decision of allowing malt beverage and mixed beverage sales within the town limits should be decided by a vote of the citizens. Therefore, a motion was made by Commissioner Lerner and seconded by Commissioner Robinette to call for a special referendum to be held by the Alex. County Board of Elections regarding the sale of on premises malt beverages and on premises mixed beverages as regulated by N.C.G.S. 18B-601(b), N.C.G.S.

18B-602(a)(4), 18B-620(h). Passed unanimously. See attachment B, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

A brief overview was made concerning the proposed FY 08/09 budget. Overall expenditures are up 14% and will require approximately 66,500 for fund balance to balance the overall revenue vs. expenditures.

A motion was made by Comm. Holleman, seconded by Comm. Lerner to approve the adoption of a project budget ordinance for the REDC/Craftmaster project totaling \$590,000.00. Passed unanimously. See Attachment C, which is hereby incorporated herein and made a part of these minutes.

A motion was made by Comm. Holleman and seconded by Comm. Lerner to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$25,244.36 for a used mustang police car & equipment and new guns and ammo. Passed unanimously. See Attachment D, which is hereby incorporated herein and made a part of these minutes.

A motion was made by Commission Holleman and seconded by Commissioner Poole to approve the Resolution for installment financing of 2 crown victories and 1 explorer at 2.9% for 4 years. Passed unanimously. . See Attachment E, which is hereby incorporated herein and made a part of these minutes.

A motion was made by Commission Holleman and seconded by Commissioner Lerner to approve the purchase of a new street sweeper for the amount of \$105,000.00. Financing options are still being determined. A good faith down payment of \$5,000.00 will be made toward the purchase. Passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Comm. Robinette and seconded by Comm. Poole to approve setting the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> public hearings to hear citizen input regarding the proposed FY 08/09 fiscal budget for the Town of Taylorsville as June 3<sup>rd</sup> and June 10<sup>th</sup> 2008 at 5:30 p.m. Passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Holleman and seconded by Commissioner Lerner to allow the waiving of the accumulated penalties of the sewer utility account for Kathy Fox under the conditions that the account must be kept current from this point forward. Passed unanimously.

Town Manager David Odom mentioned that National Tourism Week is approaching. The first draft of the FY 08/09 budget is almost complete.

Public Works Director, David Robinette mentioned that the new radio-read meters will save many man hours and dollars. Approx. 140 meters can be read in 15 minutes. Nearly all are now installed and the camera has already saved money.

Police Chief Tony Jones presented the standard monthly police report.

With no more business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

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Yolanda Prince, Town Clerk