

**Town of Mt. Pleasant
Board of Commissioners
Town Board Meeting
Town Hall- Commissioners Meeting Room
Monday-November 4, 2013
5:00 P.M.**

Attendance: Mayor Del Eudy
Mayor Pro-Tem/Commissioner Richard Burleyson
Commissioner Scott Barringer
Commissioner Jim Sells
Commissioner Warren Chapman
Commissioner Lori Furr
Town Attorney Christy Wilhelm
Town Administrator Randy Holloway
Town Clerk Cathy Whittington
Interim Fire Chief Jerry Taylor

Also Present: Vagn Hansen, Andy Goodall, Rev. Vince Iocona, Steven Waggoner, Wesley Wilson, Robin Corson, Jack Sneed, Dustin Sneed, Frankie Barringer, Crystal Smith, Tyler Hoopaugh, Bradley Overcash, Chris Carter, Jason Dillon, Christopher Greene, Tim Reeves

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eudy called the meeting to order

INVOCATION

Rev. Vince Iocona led in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Eudy led in the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC FORUM

No one spoke in public forum.

APPROVE AGENDA

Commissioner Barringer made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Sells seconded the motion with all board members in favor. (5-0)

PUBLIC HEARINGS/DECISION

Mayor Eudy opened the Public Hearing

There was a Public Hearing on the Voluntary Annexation 2013-ANX-01 at 7670 NC Highway 73 East at Robin Lepak's property.

Andy Goodall with Benchmark stated that Ms. Lepak had submitted a petition for non-contiguous annexation. The subject property contains a single-family dwelling and is adjacent to the two (2) parcels that were voluntarily annexed (non-contiguous) by the Town in 2012. The property owner may desire in the future to sell the property for commercial development, similar to the adjacent properties that are currently under development. The *Future Land Use Map* designates this corridor for commercial development.

Staff considers this annexation to be Favorable.

With no questions in the public hearing, Mayor Eudy closed the Public Hearing.

CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda consist of three (3) items; (1) Minutes of the October 7, 2013 Board Meeting, (2) Proclamation Veteran's Day, (3) Proclamation Commissioner Richard Burleyson. Mayor Eudy read the Proclamation to Commissioner Burleyson. Commissioner Barringer thanked Commissioner Burleyson for all the years he has spent on the Board and all the work he has done. Several others also thanked Commissioner Burleyson. Commissioner Burleyson thanked the Board for allowing him to work with them. Commissioner Furr made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Barringer seconded the motion with all Board Members in favor. (5-0)

REPORTS

1. Police
2. Fire Chief
3. Town Administrator
4. Finance Officer
5. Public Works
6. Town Attorney
7. Code Enforcement

All reports were accepted as written.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

1&2- Clerks Certificate of Sufficiency of Property at 7670 NC Highway 73 East and Approve Annexation 2013-ANX-01 7670 NC Highway 73 East

Commissioner Burleyson made a motion to approve the Clerks Certificate of Sufficiency and the Annexation 2013-ANX-01 7670 NC Highway 73 East. Commissioner Chapman seconded the motion with all board members in favor. (5-0)

3. Meeting Schedules- Town Board and Planning & Zoning for 2014

Commissioner Barringer made a motion to approve the meeting schedule for the Town Board and the Planning and Zoning for 2014. Commissioner Sells seconded the motion with all Board Members in favor. (5-0)

4. Approve New Fire Chief

Town Administrator Randy Holloway presented Jerry Taylor as the new Fire Chief. He stated that he has heard nothing but positive comments since appointing Jerry Taylor as Interim Chief last month. Commissioner Barringer made a motion to appoint Jerry Taylor as the new Fire Chief. Commissioner Sells seconded the motion with all Board Members in favor. (5-0)

5. Approve Holiday Schedule 2014-2106

The State Holiday Schedule for 2014-2016 was presented for approval. The Personnel Policy states that the Town will observe the States Holiday Schedule. Commissioner Furr made a motion to approve the Holiday Schedule for 2014-2016. Commissioner Sell seconded the motion with all Board Members in favor. (5-0)

6. Set Date for Christmas Dinner

The Christmas Dinner will be Tuesday, December 10, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. at Yadkin Valley Steakhouse.

7. Piggyback Bid on Fire Truck

The Fire Department has budgeted funding to purchase a water tanker to help improve the water availability to both the Town and the Rural Fire District. The Fire Department and the Town Administrator recommend using the HGAC purchasing process to ensure that we get a quality unit while still saving the Town significant savings on the purchases. The unit would be purchased from U.S. Tanker in the amount of \$268,643. It is estimated that the unit would cost over \$300,000 by not using the HGAC process. It is also recommended financing the unit with the Local Government Federal Credit Union for a period of 10 years at an interest rate of 2.75% with quarterly payments. This tanker will take the place of the 1993 tanker and use the 1993 as a reserve. The new tanker will be a key part in lower the ISO rating to a 6. It will have a 3,000 gallon capacity and take 170 days to build.

Commissioner Barringer made a motion to approve using the “piggy back” purchasing process and posting the intent on the Town’s web site for ten (10) day and approve the “inter-local Contract for Cooperative Purchasing” with HGAC. Commissioner Chapman seconded the motion with all Board Members in favor.(5-0)

Commissioner Sells made a motion to approve the purchase of the tanker from U.S. Tanker in the amount of \$268,643. Commissioner Furr seconded the motion with all Board Members in favor. (5-0)

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to approve financing the tanker with the Local Government Federal Credit Union for a period of ten years at an interest rate of 2.75% with quarterly payments. Commissioner Burleyson seconded the motion with all Board Members in favor. (5-0)

Commissioner Barringer made a motion to approve giving the Town Administrator the authority to negotiate and finalize the documents for the Mayor’s signature. Commissioner Sells seconded the motion with all Board Members in favor. (5-0)

8. Receive report on Towns IT Network

The Town has employed Tim Wooten with Woowiz Works to survey the Town’s IT network and make recommendations for improvements. The Town has been paying \$110 and hour for IT service and Woowiz Works has agreed to charge \$25 an hour for the same level of IT service. Mr. Wooten has been requested to prepare an estimate to make the improvements to include a suggested priority order for the improvements. Commissioner Chapman made a motion to have Mr. Wooten to continue working on the IT improvements and to have a specific report at the December 2, 2013 meeting. Commissioner Sells seconded the motion with all Board Members in favor. (5-0)

MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Barringer stated that he heard good comments about the Tough Mudder Event that was held the previous weekend.

Commissioner Furr stated that she didn't know the Tough Mudder Event was going on. Everyone did a good job on the traffic and everything. She wanted to complement the Fire Department on the good job at Halloween. She stated that her children really enjoyed it.

Commissioner Chapman stated that he went to see the Tough Mudder site on Friday. He stated that rode by today and they were already dismantling some of the equipment. He stated everything went well and he looked forward to working with them again in the future.

Commissioner Sells stated that traffic was good and he had breakfast at one of the restaurants and spoke to some of them and they said they had more income with the Tough Mudder Event. Everything went well and in the future he would like to see it turned into a festival and have the Town involved. Halloween went well and the Fire Department did a good job. There were some injuries at the Tough Mudder.

Commissioner Burleyson stated that it was obvious that a lot of planning went into the Tough Mudder Event. He wanted to thank the Fire Department, Sheriff Department and very one for the work that went into the Event. He spoke to Ms. Foil and she seemed to be enjoying herself. Commissioner Burleyson stated that he appreciated the opportunity to serve the Town of Mount Pleasant.

Mayor Eudy thanked Commissioner Burleyson for the time that he has served as a Commissioner. Mayor Eudy reported that Joy Eudy would be retiring and we would be putting together a retirement reception for her. Don't forget the voting tomorrow, after the election a new Mayor Pro Tem would have to be elected. Hubert Furr called the Mayor and apologized about the parking spaces in front of DB Tees. He stated that the request had been lost in a stack of mail in his office. He stated that he would see to it right away.

With no more business, Commissioner Chapman made a motion to go into Executive Session: N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6) To consider the qualifications, competence, performance, conditions of appointment of a public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee or To hear or investigate a complaint, charge, or grievance by or against a public officer or employee. Commissioner Sells seconded the motion with all Board Members in favor. (5-0)

After coming out of Executive Session, Commissioner Barringer made a motion to hire Crystal Smith as the Finance Director. Commissioner Chapman seconded the motion with all Board Members in favor. (5-0)

ADJOURNMENT

With nothing else to come before the Board, Commissioner Burleyson made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Sells seconded the motion with all Board Members in favor. (5-0)

By our signatures the following minutes were approved as submitted and amended on Monday December 2, 2014 in the Regular Meeting.

Town Clerk Cathy Whittington

Mayor Del Eudy