

Mount Pleasant

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**Town of Mt. Pleasant
Board of Commissioners
Town Board Meeting
Lion's Club
Monday, May 8, 2017 at 6:00 P.M.**

Attendance: Mayor Del Eudy
Mayor Pro-Tem/Commissioner Lori Furr (*unexcused absence, votes as affirmative*)
Commissioner Scott Barringer
Commissioner Warren Chapman
Commissioner Steve Ashby
Commissioner Justin Simpson
Town Administrator Randy Holloway
Town Attorney Brittany Love
Town Clerk Amy Schueneman

Also Present: Deputy Stephen Wagner, Crystal Smith, Troy Barnhardt, Nick Newman, Jennifer Blake, Jerry Taylor, Deputy Laura Heggins, and Kay Beckett.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eudy called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Pastor Nick Newman led the Board in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Eudy led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Public Forum

No one spoke.

2. Conflict of Interest

The Mayor and Commissioners are asked at this time to reveal if they have a Conflict of Interest with any item on the Agenda in order to be recused for that item. (No member shall be excused from voting except upon matters involving the consideration of the member's own financial interest or official conduct or on matters on which the member is prohibited from voting under G.S. 14-234, 160A-381(d), or 160A-388(e)(2). NC State Statute 160A-75)

None of the Board Members had a Conflict of Interest.

3. Approve Agenda

Several additions were made to the Agenda:

Under New Business:

B. Consider a Resolution authorizing participation in the State Health Plan.

C. Consider allowing the Town's Staff to submit a grant request to Cabarrus County in the amount of \$100,000 for a new park / playground beside Town Hall.

A motion to approve the Amended Agenda as presented was made by Commissioner Simpson with a second by Commissioner Ashby.
All Board Members were in favor. (5-0, due to unexcused absence Commissioner Furr is marked as an affirmative vote)

4. Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes for April 10, 2017 Board Meeting
- B. Addition of lost Minutes for purpose of Microfilming by NC Archives & Records
- C. Budget Amendment #2 Account Adjustments for Polar Pig BBQ
- D. FY 2017-2018 Annual Budget for Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
- E. Grand Opening Invitation to Solar Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Commissioner Barringer made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda with a second by Commissioner Simpson. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0, due to unexcused absence Commissioner Furr is marked as an affirmative vote)

5. Reports

- A. Town Administrator- Randy Holloway
- B. Finance Officer-Crystal Smith
- C. Public Works- Bobby Hartsell
- D. Customer Service Representative- Jennifer Blake
- E. Town Planning- Erin Burris
- F. Police-Deputy Stephen Wagoner

6. Public Hearings

No Public Hearing

7. Old Business

None

8. New Business

A. Consider Proposed Budget for Town of Mount Pleasant FY 2017-2018

The Board heard a summary of the FY 2017-2018 Proposed Budget from Randy Holloway, Town Administrator. He went over the Budget Message from the first 4 pages of the Proposed Budget packet given to each on the Board members. Town Administrator and Staff have made changes based on the March 11, 2017 Budget workshop for the Board's consideration. The Town is in good financial shape. This will be the largest budget in Town history. After hitting the highlights of the Proposed Budget, Mr. Holloway asked if the Board had any questions.

Commissioner Ashby asked about replacing the Main St. water main that was mentioned in the Budget Workshop. Mr. Holloway explained that the Water Treatment Plant would have to be the priority for FY 2017-2018. The Town needs to make sure there are no surprises at the plant. The water tank will also need to be paid off. Next year may be the time to look at it.

Mayor Eudy stated that the savings of approximately \$24,000 by switching to the NC State Health Plan for employee insurance seems to be a no brainer. Crystal Smith said that the savings of \$20,000 from the Benefits Card for employees would add to that savings, less \$5,000- \$6,000 for premium coverage with current insurance provider for July-September. The Town could not get on the NC State Health Plan until October 1st. Commissioner Ashby wondered if it was an 80/20 plan or if there were options for the employees to choose from. The Town will have the 80/20 for everyone. Randy Holloway stated that there are premium increases for tobacco use and believes the user should pay the additional premium which the Board strongly agreed with.

****A copy of the FY 2017-2018 Proposed Budget, Budget Message, and Fees & Charges Schedule is included in the Minutes.*

At this point, Commissioner Ashby made a motion to set a date of June 12, 2017 at 6pm (next regularly scheduled Board meeting) for the Public Hearing on the Proposed FY 2017-2018 Budget for the Town of Mount Pleasant with a second from Commissioner Simpson. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0, due to unexcused absence Commissioner Furr is marked as an affirmative vote)

B. Consider a Resolution authorizing participation in the State Health Plan.

The Town Staff is recommending joining the NC State Health Plan for employee insurance for FY 2017-2018. This is a better insurance for the employee (currently with Blue Cross Blue Shield of NC) and it will be a significant savings to the Town. As stated in the Budget presentation, it will be a good plan for the employees with a cost savings to the Town. As Randy Holloway stated previously, there are premium increases for tobacco use and believes the user should pay the additional premium which the Board strongly agreed with. Once the Town signs the Resolution to change to the NC State Health Plan, there will be no going back. The Town would not be able to changes to another provider in the future regardless of premiums or changes to the NC State Health Plan.

Mayor Eudy believes it is a good move for the Town since the State has thousands of employees and will always receive better rates compared to the Town which has seven employees.

****A copy of the Resolution authorizing participation in the State Health Plan is included in the Minutes.*

A motion to approve a Resolution authorizing participation in the State Health Plan was made by Commissioner Barringer with a second by Commissioner Simpson. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0, due to unexcused absence Commissioner Furr is marked as an affirmative vote)

C. Consider allowing the Town's Staff to submit a grant request to Cabarrus County in the amount of \$100,000 for a new park / playground beside Town Hall.

The Town Staff is requesting approval to submit a grant application to Cabarrus County for a matching grant for a new park / playground area beside Town Hall. The Town's two mini parks are aging and needs repair or replacement. The FY-2017-2018 budget includes \$100,000 for the Town's match if the grant is approved. The grant is due no later than June 9, 2017.

Ray Mullis from Cabarrus County Schools will assist the Town with the grant process as well as helping the Town plan the new park layout.


A motion to allow the Town's Staff to submit a grant request to Cabarrus County in the amount of \$100,000 for a new park / playground beside Town Hall was made by Commissioner Ashby with a second by Commissioner Chapman. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0, due to unexcused absence Commissioner Furr is marked as an affirmative vote)

9. Adjournment

With nothing else to come before the Board, Commissioner Chapman made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion and All Board Members were in favor. (5-0, due to unexcused absence Commissioner Furr is marked as an affirmative vote)

By our signatures the following minutes were approved as submitted and amended on Monday, June 12, 2017 in the Regular Meeting.


Town Clerk Amy Schueneman


Mayor W. Del Eudy

