

**Town of Mt. Pleasant
Board of Commissioners
Town Board Meeting
Lion's Club
Monday, June 12, 2017 at 6:00 P.M.**

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

Also Present: Crystal Smith, Jennifer Blake, Bobby Hartsell, Deputy Laura Heggins, and Kay Beckett.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eudy called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Pastor Chad Kyler led the Board in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Eudy led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Public Forum

No one spoke.

2. Excused Absence

Mayor Eudy informed the Board that Commissioner Justin Simpson sent an email asking to be excused from the Town Board meeting. A motion to excuse Commissioner Simpson from the meeting was made by Commissioner Ashby with a second by Commissioner Furr.

All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, due to excused absence Commissioner Simpson)

3. 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.

4. Approve Agenda

A motion to approve the Agenda as presented was made by Commissioner Furr with a second by Commissioner Barringer. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, due to excused absence Commissioner Simpson)

5. Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes for May 8, 2017 Board Meeting
- B. UPDATE on the NC DOI Grant request
- C. UPDATE on the FM Global Grant request
- D. Direct Deposit Bi-weekly Payroll Dates FY 2017-2018
- E. Amendment to the FY 2017-2018 ABC Board Budget and a copy of the approved FY 2017-2018 ABC Board Budget adopted on June 6, 2017.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda with a second by Commissioner Ashby. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, due to excused absence Commissioner Simpson)

6. Reports

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

7. Public Hearings

Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-18

Conduct Public Hearing on proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2016-17. No one spoke at the Public Hearing.

8. Old Business

Following the Public Hearing for the Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-18, the Town Board was reminded by Mayor Eudy that the budget is balanced using the current tax rate of 50.5 cents per one hundred dollars tax value. The recommended budget was tweaked following the May 8, 2017 meeting; however the bottom line remained the same. The FY Budget 2017-18 includes a 7% sewer rate increase. The recommended increase is a result of an increase in the wholesale rate for sewer from the Water & Sewer Authority of Cabarrus County. The proposed budget also has a number of increases in the Town's fee structure as presented at the May 8, 2017 Town Board meeting.

The complete budget and fee schedule is included in the Town Board Minutes.

After the Public Hearing a motion to approve the proposed budget, budget ordinance, and fee schedule for Fiscal year 2017-18 was made by Commissioner

Barringer with a second by Commissioner Furr. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, due to excused absence Commissioner Simpson)

9. New Business

A. Consider approving the annual contract to audit accounts with Sherrill & Smith, CPAs, PA.

The Town Administrator has received and reviewed the contract with Sherrill & Smith, CPAs, PA for the annual required audit of the Town's accounts. The contract is in line with previous contracts and the contract amount is included in the FY-2017-2018 budget. The Town Administrator recommends the approval of the contract.

A motion to approve the contract with Sherrill & Smith, CPAs, PA for the annual audit of the Town's accounts was made by Commissioner Barringer with a second by Commissioner Furr. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, due to excused absence Commissioner Simpson)

A copy of the contract with Sherrill & Smith, CPAs, PA is included in the Town Board Minutes.

B. Consider approving the E-Billing Sign-Up Form for water/sewer Customer accounts to begin in September, 2017.

The Town Staff feels that E-Billing water/sewer bills will reduce the cost to the Town for the monthly water bills. Not only will it save time for the Town Staff, it will also reduce the paper, envelopes, and postage needed to mail the monthly bills. We are now able to provide this alternate method of billing because of the software upgrade from Citipak to FMS in September, 2016. There will be no extra cost to the Town to provide this service. Customers can still continue to receive hard copies in the mail if they choose.

A motion to approve the E-Billing Sign-Up Form for water/sewer Customer accounts to begin in September, 2017 was made by Commissioner Ashby with a second by Commissioner Chapman. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, due to excused absence Commissioner Simpson)

A copy of the E-Billing Sign-Up Form to be inserted into the water bills mailed at the end of June is included in the Town Board Minutes.

C. Consider approving a contract with Cabarrus Economic Development, INC. in the amount of \$2,000 to support the Town in its economic development efforts.

The Town Administrator has received and reviewed the contract Cabarrus Economic Development, Inc. to provide "core economic development services to the Town. The contract is in line with previous contracts and the contract amount of \$2,000 is included in the FY-2017-2018 budget. The Town Administrator recommends the approval of the contract.

A motion to approve the contract with Cabarrus Economic Development, Inc. in the amount of \$2,000 was made by Commissioner Furr with a second by Commissioner Chapman.

All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, due to excused absence Commissioner Simpson)

A copy of the contract with Cabarrus Economic Development, Inc. is included in the Town Board Minutes.

COMMENTS:

Kay Beckett of 1431 N. Main St. had several questions/comments for the Board:

- A. If the Town starts emailing the bills, will they send out the announcements on the back also? The Mayor stated all the information will be on Facebook and the website. Ms. Beckett stated that people don't look at the website. Mayor Eudy informed everyone that a new version of the website will come out in July. It will be easier for the user to navigate.
- B. Ms. Beckett did not think information from churches should go into the water bills. Businesses should be able to put info in the bills. Crystal Smith let everyone know that due to the amount of time and increase in postage the Town no longer puts inserts into the water bill. Mayor Eudy said that the only insert would be on Town functions.
- C. The aluminum can recycle trailer is ugly and Ms. Beckett wants it to be moved from the current location at the right side of Town Hall back to behind the Fire Dept. so that she will not see it from her back porch. Randy Holloway said the Town may put some type of barrier in to block site lines from Ms. Beckett's property.

9. Adjournment

With nothing else to come before the Board, Commissioner Chapman made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Ashby seconded the motion and All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, due to excused absence Commissioner Simpson)

By our signatures the following minutes were approved as submitted and amended on Monday, July 10, 2017 in the Regular Meeting.



Town Clerk Amy Schueneman



Mayor W. Del Eudy

