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**Town of Mt. Pleasant
Board of Commissioners
Town Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, December 12, 2022 at 6:00 P.M.**

Attendance: Mayor Del Eudy
Mayor Pro-Tem/Commissioner Lori Furr
Commissioner Chris Carter
Commissioner William Meadows
Commissioner Jim Sells
Commissioner Justin Simpson
Town Administrator Randy Holloway
Town Attorney Jim Scarbrough
Town Clerk Amy Schueneman

Also Present: Erin Burriss, Crystal Smith, Deputy CA Camille, Ally Schueneman, Steven Dixon, and Kevin Kurtz.

Meeting was delayed until 6:10pm to wait for Mayor ProTem Furr to arrive.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eudy called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Kevin Kurtz led the Board in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Eudy led 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 or 160D-109(a). NC State Statute 160A-75 and no public official shall knowingly participate in making or administering a contract, including the award of money in the form of a grant, loan, or other appropriation, with any nonprofit with which that public official is associated. NC State Statute 14-234.3)

No one had a conflict.

3. Approve Agenda

A motion to approve the presented Agenda was made by Commissioner Furr with a second by Commissioner Simpson. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0)

4. Consent Agenda

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- A. Minutes November 14, 2022
- B. Budget Amendment #6 CORRECTED-Purchase 2022 Chevy 5500 with crane
- C. Budget Amendment #8 EHSPF Grant for Historic District and Stormwater Studies
- D. Contract with The Wooten Company to continue using Richard McMillan as the Town Engineer.

Commissioner Sells made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as listed with a second by Commissioner Meadows. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0)

5. Staff Reports

- A. Town Manager-Randy Holloway
- B. Town Asst. Manager-Crystal Smith

Ms. Smith reported several updates

- Randy, Amy, and Crystal had a video meeting with LGC (Local Government Commission) to discuss the USDA project which will include the Empire Dr. Regional Pump Station, replacing the clay sewer lines on A, B, and C Streets, and rehabbing 12 manholes. The estimated cost will be \$4.2 million. Timeline: Open bids in Feb. 2023, LGC Agenda for approval March 2023, Bid awarded and work starting in Spring 2023. Amy Schueneman reminded Board that there are 3 loans in the Water/Sewer Fund that will be paid off in Spring of 2024. The amount of \$177,953 is in the budget currently for loan payments. Those funds along with the increase to the water base rate and tiered system will allow up to \$264,453 in yearly payments. The projected annual payment will be less than \$200,000 leaving additional revenue for future projects. Randy Holloway stated that the LGC was complimentary on the financial situation of the Town.
- Concerning the Branding/Logo process there were 59 people in addition to Staff and Board Members that attended the Focus Groups last week. 58 people have completed the online survey including some students from MPHS. Data analysis has started on the responses.
- The Decorating Contest had 4 residential contestants and 7 businesses. Winners for residential are 1st place Bradshaw Family on Valley St., 2nd Smith Family on Lee St., and 3rd Bowman Family on Oldenburg Dr. Business winners are 1st The Bakery at MP, 2nd Uwharrie Bank, and 3rd Well Doctor.

- C. Town Clerk/Finance Officer - Amy Schueneman

Ms. Schueneman pointed out that a copy of FY21/22 audit was at each Board Member's seat. It was submitted to LGC and has already been approved without any issues. Tony Brewer will present the information at the January 2023 meeting in accordance to State Statute.

- D. Planning & Economic Development Director - Erin Burris

Ms. Burris reported updates on several grants:

- The Town did make it through the Letter of Interest process BRIC (Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities) grant through FEMA. The first draft was reviewed by the State and scored 111/120. There were 42 applications, and the Town had the 2nd best behind Whiteville. They did give feedback on how to improve the score. The Benefit Cost Analysis will be included once completed by LKC to improve the score. It is due January 6th but we may not hear the results until summer. The grant amount would be \$4.5 million. The Town would be responsible for 12%. It will be for the utility

duct bank installation in downtown, downtown stormwater improvements to reduce flooding, and the mast arm for the traffic signals. Mr. Holloway stated the State's Grant Administrator was very complimentary on how Ms. Burris included some items in the grant and was asking her for pointers.

- Field work for the National District Survey is starting in January. A press release and letters will go out to people in the Historic District to let them know why someone is taking photos of their homes.
- The CMAQ grant contract was approved and the Town is working with DOT staff to work on procurement for engineering. The Town has 5 years to do the project.

- E. Code Enforcement-Jeff Watts
- F. Public Works- Daniel Crowell
- G. Cabarrus Co. Sheriff's Dept. Report
- H. Fire Dept.-Dustin Sneed

6. Public Hearings

- A. **Amendments to Town of Mount Pleasant Code of Ordinances Part 8: Nuisances and Offenses** (Continued from Nov. 14th meeting-no attachments for this item)

Mayor Eudy opened the Public Hearing and no one spoke. Staff asked for it to be held open until the January meeting. No motions were made.

7. Old Business

None

8. New Business

- A. **Consider the 2023 appointments to the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) and the Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) of the Cabarrus-Rowan Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization.**

Motions:

A motion to appoint Commissioner Simpson as TAC representative was made by Commissioner Furr with a second by Commissioner Sells. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0)

A motion to appoint Commissioner Furr as TAC alternate was made by Commissioner Simpson with a second by Commissioner Carter. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0)

A motion to reappoint Erin Burris as TCC representative with Crystal Smith as alternate was made by Commissioner Simpson with a second by Commissioner Furr. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0)

Mayor Comments

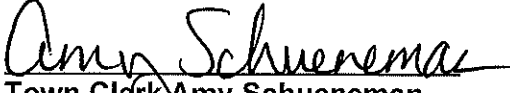
Mayor Eudy attended the 9th annual Golden Helmet Awards two weeks ago and 73 & Main won restaurant of the year for the 2nd time in Cabarrus County. Jody, which is their manager, received the Hospitality of the Year award. The Independence Day Parade in Mount Pleasant won favorite event in Cabarrus County.

He wished everyone and their families a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

9. Adjournment

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

By our signatures, the following minutes were approved as submitted on Monday, January 9, 2023 in the Regular Meeting.


Town Clerk Amy Schueneman


Mayor W. Del Eudy

