

MINUTES OCTOBER 6, 2014

REGULAR MEETING 7:00pm

Mayor Pardue and all Council Members present except Council Member Green was absent.

Mayor Pardue called the meeting to order and led the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC FORUM

No one spoke.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council Member Moore made the motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting September 8, 2014 and Council Member Darnell seconded the motion, unanimous 3-0.

PRESENTATION OF THE DRAFT YADKIN COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN – VERNIA WILSON NCDOT

Ms. Vernia Wilson with the NC Department of Transportation will be at the meeting to present the draft of the Yadkin County Comprehensive Transportation Plan. The plan has been under development for the past several months and has now reached the stage where each Town Council in the County along with the Yadkin County Board of Commissioners may review the draft and consider its adoption. Following this step, the plan will be presented to the Northwest Piedmont Rural Planning Organization (RPO) for endorsement and finally to the NCDOT Board for adoption.

Note: Council Member Moore would like to see a bridge over the Yadkin River, a logical tie in with the Jonesville/Elkin Greenway. Council Member Wall asked about a sidewalk down Valley Drive, but the proposed plan has a multi-use path instead. Ms. Vernia Wilson says even though the transportation plan is adopted it can be amended.

Council Member Moore made the motion to approve the resolution adopting the Yadkin County Comprehensive Transportation Plan and Council Member Wall, seconded the motion, unanimous 3-0.

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS – ROOF REPAIRS

The Town staff has solicited bids for roof replacement at the old Town Hall, Jonesville library and the Custom Heating and Cooling buildings. We have approximately \$20,000 available for these projects. The bids received are outlined below.

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Old Town Hall</u>	<u>Library</u>	<u>Custom H & C</u>	<u>Total</u>
Bledsoe Construction	\$14,000	\$9,520	\$13,300	\$36,820
Campbell Roofing	\$14,000	\$9,520	\$13,300	\$36,820
Bill Norman Const.	\$19,832.45	\$15,795.34	\$24,622.84	\$60,250.63
Professional Roofing	\$13,800	\$12,100	\$22,150	\$48,050

Note: Council Member Moore would like to ask Professional Roofing if they could lower their bid. The Board liked how Professional Roofing itemized their costs. The Board is in agreement to roof the Library and Custom Heating and Air.

Council Member Wall mentioned waiting on the old Town Hall since no one was using it at the moment.

The Board would like to table any decision until next month, November 10, 2014.

CONTINUED DISCUSSION – OFF SITE BUSINESS SIGNS (BILLBOARDS)

At a previous meeting the Town Council discussed amendments to the Town’s Sign Ordinance (Article 10 of the Zoning Ordinance) to limit or restrict the location of Off Site Business Signs (Billboards). At that time the Council placed a moratorium on any new Off Site Business Signs until staff could research the situation and make recommendations.

We have determined that Hwy. 67 and 21 Business in Town are not considered Federal Aid Primary Highways and, therefore, the NC Outdoor Advertising Act does not apply to these locations (except within 660 feet of Interstate 77). As a result, the Town of Jonesville may place any restrictions it deems necessary to limit or restrict the number, size or location of any signs in the Town’s zoning jurisdiction. For review, the Council discussed increasing the minimum distance between signs to 1,200 feet (now 1,000 feet) or prohibiting any new Off Site Business Signs altogether. However, North Carolina state law prohibits local governments from forcing the removal of any existing off site business sign.

The Town Council must conduct a public hearing before any amendment to the Zoning Ordinance may be considered. The public hearing must be advertised once per week for two consecutive weeks in a local news publication. Therefore, the Town Council may now set the date for a public hearing to be held at our next Council meeting to hear public comments on any proposed amendment to the Sign Ordinance and consider adoption of an amendment after the hearing.

The Council directed the Town Manager to draft a proposed amendment to the ordinance further restricting the size and location of onsite and offsite signs for their consideration at the next

Council meeting which is scheduled for November 10, 2014. A public hearing for these Changes will also be on the agenda for the same date.

RESOLUTION DECLARING SURPLUS PROPERTY

The Town has a number of miscellaneous items that are no longer needed and may be sold for surplus. The attached Resolution will declare these items surplus and authorize the Town Manager to sell them by online auction, public auction, or private negotiation methods.

Note: One additional item to add to the list: Chemical dry feeder dispensers (3)

Council Member Moore made the motion to approve the resolution for the surplus items to be sold and Council Member Wall, seconded the motion, unanimous 3-0.

ADOPT – A – STREET PROGRAM

The Beautification Committee recommended that the Town start an Adopt-A-Street program to encourage citizens to help keep the Town clean and litter free. The Council will find a resolution establishing the program along with informational materials and program requirements. These documents may be amended as necessary if the Council so desires.

Council Member Darnell made the motion to approve the resolution to adopt a street program and Council Member Wall, seconded the motion, unanimous 3-0.

SELECTION OF ORGANIZATION TO PERFORM ABE STORE PLACEMENT STUDY

The joint ABC Committee has met on a number of occasions to discuss the potential location and operation of a jointly owned ABC store. The committee solicited proposals from qualified parties and received two responses (copies included behind Tab 6.)

The committee discussed the proposals and met with the representatives from the Piedmont Triad Regional Council (PTRC) to discuss the details of their proposal. Following that meeting the committee agreed to recommend that both Towns select the PTRC as the organization to perform the site selection study to recommend the single best location for a jointly operated ABC store. The PTRC's proposal calls for an estimated fee of \$3,500 to be split evenly between the Towns.

Council Member Wall made the motion to select PTRC as the organization to perform the site selection study for a jointly operated ABC store for \$1750.00 and Council Member Wall, seconded the motion, unanimous 3-0.

APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING/ZONING BOARD MEMBER

Ms. Tammy Holcomb has notified us that she is no longer residing in Jonesville and, therefore, is resigning her position on the Jonesville Planning / Zoning Board. The Planning Board is scheduled to meet on the afternoon of October 6 and will discuss the vacancy. Any recommendations that come from the Planning / Zoning Board will be provided to the Town Council for consideration.

The Board agreed on the Town Manager, Scott Buffkin to call Susan Porter and Harriet Bryant to see if they would like to serve on the Planning Board.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION REQUESTING IMPROVED SIGNAGE ON INTERSTATE 77, EXIT 82

During meetings earlier in the year with Senator Krawiec Mayor Pardue and Manager, Scott Buffkin discussed the possibility of changing the signs on Interstate 77 near exit number 82. The Town Council is being asked to support a resolution to that effect.

Note: The exit 82 sign now reads Elkin, Jonesville and Boonville. The Town of Jonesville would like it to read Jonesville, Boonville and Elkin, because when you exit, you are in the Town of Jonesville.

Council Member Moore made the motion to approve the resolution for the possibility of changing the signs on Interstate 77 near exit 82 and Council Member Wall, seconded the motion, unanimous 3-0.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The departmental reports are included in your agenda packet. The Council will need to make a motion to approve the monthly financial report.

Council Member Moore made the motion to approve the financial reports and Council Member Wall, seconded the motion, unanimous 3-0.

1. Town Manager, Scott Buffkin asked the Board about going in ½ with the TDA for the Yadkin Navigator which list businesses. It is for 1 year ½ and the Town's portion is \$375.00.

Council Member Moore made the motion to approve the Town's portion of \$375.00 for the Yadkin Navigator and Council Member Darnell, seconded the motion, unanimous 3-0.

2. Town Manager, Scott Buffkin mentioned to the Board, if they saw any of the County Commissioners to speak with them about the continued foreclosure issues especially since Aaron Church has left the County.

3. Town Manager, Scott Buffkin mentioned to the Board that in the budget there is \$15,000 for code enforcement. The Town previous used Tony Cline with Benchmark Inc. for code enforcement, but the Piedmont Triad Regional Council (PTRC) is also now offering this service. Manager Buffkin asked the Council if it is acceptable for him to work on drafting an agreement with the PTRC for code enforcement services. The consensus of the Council was to give their consent for Manager Buffkin to work with the PTRC to draft a contract for the Council to consider at a future meeting.

4. Town Manager, Scott Buffkin and Mayor Pardue visited Howell School Road where Terry Rose and the neighbors would like to extend the water lines, because of the issues with their wells. Terry Rose would like to get a partition with signatures, because the County is not interested at this time in funding this project. Of course the County Manager has left with whom we spoke with. If the Jonesville Board sees any County Commissioners, please talk with them about this concern that these people have.

With no pending business to discuss Council Moore made the motion to adjourn and Council Member Wall, seconded the motion, unanimous 3-0.

Gene Pardue, Mayor

Lynn Trivette, CMC