



**Minutes of The Board of Commissioners Meeting- May 4th, 2021 @7:30 pm
Held at 163 West Main Street, Franklinville Town Hall**

Attending:

Mayor Perry Conner, Mayor Pro-Tem Priscilla Dunn, Commissioner A.C. Hurley
Commissioner Richard Goodwin, Commissioner Brandon Hurley, Commissioner Mac Whatley
Finance Officer/Town Clerk-Beverly O'Brien
Utility Clerk-Christie Gunter
Public Works Director- Arnold Allred
Public Works Assistant Director- Joe Walsh
Guests: Jill Wood

21-130 7:30 pm: MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance
Moment of silence/ prayer

21-131 CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Conner discussed the consent agenda. **Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Dunn, seconded by Commissioner Goodwin. Motion adopted. Unanimously.**

21-132 ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Finance Officer O'Brien presented the financial report. General discussion reference the revenues and expenditures shown on the financial report. See report included. Finance Officer O'Brien discussed the closing on the sale of the Curtis house set for May 18th at 11:00am at Atty. Ben Morgan's office. Public Works Director Allred discussed the radar signs the Mayor had asked him to investigate. See brochure included with the minutes. General discussion reference where to post one and how it works for Liberty and other similar, small towns. **Commissioner Goodwin, motion to include the cost of a \$3800.00 radar sign in the next fiscal year's budget. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dunn. Motion adopted. Commissioner A.C. Hurley opposed.** Finance Officer O'Brien discussed an offer from an employee committee of Timken to install a book box in the park for free books for the park patrons, primarily children and young teens. The committee will handle installation and the replenishment of the books. The brochure is attached. Mayor Conner suggested placement to be near the picnic tables near the Masonic Lodge. **Motion by Commissioner A.C. Hurley to accept the book box for the park. Seconded by Commissioner Goodwin. Motion adopted. Unanimously.**

21-133 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Planning Consultant Jill Wood gave a report on the 160-D up-dates to the Land Development Ordinances and discussed the next planning Board meeting to be held on May 27th at 6:30 pm. Commissioner Whatley and Ms. Wood discussed the process necessary for the approval of the documents. After the Planning Board reviews the up-dates to the UDO and the 160-D updates; the Planning Board will make a recommendation to the full Board and hearings will be held for the community. Final approval is expected and needed by July 1st, 2021.

21-134 PUBLIC SAFETY

Commissioner A.C. Hurley discussed the placement of the radar sign for better effectiveness for the speeding problem. General discussion reference code enforcement for the town.

21-135 PUBLIC SERVICES

Commissioner Whatley discussed the reopening of the Library to the Public. and usage of the library.

Mayor Conner read the most recent report from Amanda Ratliff with Smart Start, Partnership for Children. See included.

21-136 PUBLIC UTILITIES

Public Works Director Arnold Allred presented his report. Director Allred discussed the water loss report from Town and Country and Pine Crest mobile home parks, see included. Director Allred gave a positive report on the TTHM testing and levels. He discussed the CCR report submission by the end of the month. Director Allred discussed the inquiry from a local industry, Sapona Manufacturing, for water and/or sewer service extension to their plant. General discussion reference the existing lines and different options to extend water and sewer and the costs associated with each option. **Motion by Commissioner Whatley to direct Mr. Allred to draft a letter with the proposals and send to Sapona for their review. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dunn. Motion adopted, unanimously.**

Director Allred discussed the on-going work at the ballfield. Commissioner Whatley discussed the installation of a gate at the old mill property near the river, in hopes of lessening the vandalism to the property. General discussion reference the clean up of the property and what areas needed to be cleared. The suggestion was for the culvert to be cleaned out, the equipment moved and two sliding doors to be secured and clear out around the walls. Commissioner Whatley discussed saving the brick and the oldest walls and only removing and clearing the tree growth and overgrowth and around the Picker house, closing and securing the doors.

Mayor Conner discussed a request from Eric Luchenbach with Deep River Fabricators to extend water and sewer to the plant. Director Allred discussed the options and possibility of making a tap on the fire suppression line but he is unsure if the water would be considered potable. Mr. Allred discussed a 1" line to the meter and from there it would be at Mr. Luchenbach's cost.

General discussion reference a large sign displayed at Mr. Jessie Freeman's property for a private company and without a proper permit. General discussion reference illegal shooting and gunfire in the town limits.

Commissioner Whatley suggested adding a letter to the CCR report about the illegal use of firearms in the Town.

Commissioner Whatley discussed a resolution to allow grants to non-profits to be used for the benefit of the Town. He has found a similar resolution from the Town of Sanford and modified it for the use of Franklinville. See included with these minutes. **Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Dunn to establish this resolution as a guideline for grants to non-profits. Seconded by Commissioner Goodwin. Motion adopted, unanimously.**

21-137 MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Conner discussed the need for better parking options for the park and greenway. He also discussed the need for steps from the Highway 22 area to near the park shelter to encourage parking along the street and lessen the need for parking in the lower park lot. Commissioner Goodwin discussed the kayakers he had met over the weekend and their increased usage of the river. He discussed the need for a landing or launch area near the park. General discussion reference up-grades to the park facilities and planning for the increased use expected over the next few years.

**Commissioner A.C. Hurley, motion to Adjourn.
Seconded by Commissioner Brandon Hurley.
Adjourned 9:15 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Perry L. Conner, Mayor

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Attest: _____

Beverly O'Brien, Finance Officer/Town Clerk