



**Minutes of The Board of Commissioners Meeting- December 13, 2021  
Annexation Public Hearing and SB300 Public Hearing  
Held at 163 West Main Street, Franklinville Town Hall**

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**Attending:**

Mayor Perry Conner, Mayor Pro Tem Priscilla Dunn, Commissioner A.C. Hurley, Commissioner Richard Goodwin, Commissioner Brandon Hurley, Commissioner Mac Whatley  
Town Clerk /Finance Officer Beverly O'Brien

Utility Clerk-Christie Gunter

Public Works Director-Arnold Allred

Guests: Corbin Auman, Arthur J. Auman, John Bryant, Brian Causey, Laurie Cone, Billy Farias, H.R. Harvey. Gallimore, Harman, Ashley Hurley, Benita Hurley, Hayden Hurley, Maddox Hurley, Sawyer Hurley, John Terrell, Jill Wood, John York

**22-47 7:00pm ANNEXATION REQUEST PUBLIC HEARING CALLED TO ORDER**

Commissioner Whatley, Chair of the Planning Board, discussed the annexation request from the new owners of the property across from the intersection of Loflin Pond Road and Highway 64. The property was formerly owned by Thomas and Kay Brady. Franklinville, LLC. has asked the town to annex the property and the Planning Board gives a positive recommendation. The property is to be used for a Convenience Store Gas station with food service. Maps provided by H.R. Gallimore are included. Commissioner Goodwin asked about the size of the building and the footprint of the building. Planning and Zoning consultant Jill Wood answered approximately 4000 sq ft. with an undeveloped out parcel. Mr. Auman owns the property next to the parcel and was attending for more information on the uses of the property. There being no further questions, the Annexation Hearing Adjourned 7:08 pm.

**22-48 7:15pm SB300 PUBLIC HEARING CALLED TO ORDER**

SB300 is Senate Bill 300 passed by the State Legislature and effective December 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 for all North Carolina municipalities. It reduces and voids some penalties and changes others to civil penalties. This entailed reviewing all town ordinances and bringing them into compliance. Mayor Pro Tem Dunn thanked the Planning Consultant, Jill Wood, for all her hard work as well as Town Clerk O'Brien. Jill had prepared a list of the necessary changes, see included and the Board and the public had copies provided. Commissioner Whatley spoke about criminal penalties versus civil penalties. There being no further discussion, the SB300 Hearing Adjourned 7:25pm.

## **22-49 7:30 pm: MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence/ Prayer

Mayor Conner congratulated the newly elected members of the Board and wished them well.

## **22-50 CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Conner discussed the consent agenda. **Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Dunn, seconded by Commissioner Goodwin to accept the Consent Agenda. Motion adopted, unanimously.**

## **22-51 OLD BUSINESS**

Mayor Conner briefed the Board on the applications for funding from the County ARPA Fund and the County Commissioners have not acted on the requests yet. He noted the applications have been submitted for the USDA grant and loan program and the Commissioners had received an update from the engineering firm, LKC. They are hopeful for a positive award and will keep in touch with the Board on anything they hear from the USDA.

Commissioner Whatley gave the recommendation of the Planning Board to accept the annexation of the Highway 64 property discussed at the annexation hearing. **Motion by Commissioner Whatley to annex the proposed property. Seconded by Commissioner Goodwin. Motion adopted unanimously. Mayor Conner signed the Annexation Ordinance.** Commissioner Whatley gave the recommendation of the Planning Board to accept the proposed changes to the Town Ordinances to comply with SB300. **Motion by Commissioner Whatley to adopt the changes to the ordinances for compliance with SB300. Seconded by Commissioner Goodwin. Motion adopted, unanimously.**

## **22-52 ADMINISTRATION REPORT**

Finance Officer O'Brien gave a report on the final costs and the significant savings of the TTHM project. The loan portion of the project has been reduced from \$124,000.00 to \$93,601.00. mostly due to the savings of having the Franklinville Public Works Department complete the Water Treatment Plant portion of the project at the Ramseur Treatment Plant instead of an outside contractor. This resulted in over \$30,000.00 in savings. Commissioner Goodwin thanked Utility Clerk Christie Gunter for all her hard work, and the success of the Christmas Parade.

**22-53 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT** There were no further additions.

**22-54 PUBLIC SAFETY** There were no further discussions

## **22-55 PUBLIC SERVICES**

Mayor Conner read an update from Amanda Ratliff with the Parents as Partners program. Ms. Ratliff discussed the distribution of books at the Christmas parade and her work with the children in the community.

**22-56 PUBLIC UTILITIES**

Director Allred discussed the positive test results in TTHM levels and said the project was working well in controlling the TTHM levels both at the Ramseur Water Treatment Plant and in Franklinville’s system. He discussed the need to replace 10 hydrants during the Fall and Winter and his department has been exercising valves before the worst of Winter weather arrives.

Director Allred presented a utilities report: see attached. Director Allred discussed the progress on the Otis Thomas Ballfield and the development of the T-Ball field. He discussed the possible replacement of a water pipe on Park Street.

**22-57 TRANSPORTATION**

There were no discussions or issues with transportation.

**22-58 MAYOR’S COMMENTS**

Mayor Conner addressed the Board and discussed the present good financial position of the Town and the completed projects. He feels confident in the prior accomplishments of the Town and looks forward to more positive improvements. He appreciated the opportunity to serve as both Commissioner and Mayor for the Town of Franklinville.

**22-59 NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Elect A.C. Hurley presented Mayor Conner with a plaque honoring his service to the Town and a card from the Board and Staff. Mayor Conner read the inscription aloud. N.C. State Representative Allen McNeill gave the oaths to the incoming Mayor and Board members and the Finance Officer. Mayor A.C. Hurley, Commissioner Billy Farias, Commissioner Brandon Hurley, Commissioner Richard Goodwin and Finance Officer O’Brien were sworn in by Rep. McNeill.

**22-60 MAYOR’S COMMENTS**

Mayor Hurley spoke and discussed his wish for the Town Board to work as a team.

**Commissioner Whatley, motion to Adjourn.**

**Seconded by Commissioner Farias.**

**Adjourned 8:40 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,

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A.C.Hurley, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Beverly O’Brien, Finance Officer/Town Clerk

\*RECEPTION FOLLOWING