



**Minutes of The Board of Commissioners Meeting
January 10, 2022
Held at 163 West Main Street, Franklinville Town Hall**

Attending:

Mayor A.C. Hurley, Mayor Pro Tem Priscilla Dunn, Commissioner Billy Farias, 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: Brian Causey, Laurie Cone,

22-61 7:30 pm: MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance
Moment of Silence/ Prayer

22-62 CONSENT AGENDA

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

22-63 OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Whatley discussed the changes requested by Vicki and Ray Caudle for the proposed deed for the company store property. General discussion reference the changes requested that pertains to the inspections of the interior spaces by any Commissioner or Town official at any time. Commissioner Whatley agreed to remove that clause from the deed restrictions for the Historic building and resubmit to the Caudles.

Mayor Hurley discussed the Highway 64 project up-date and the ARPA funds available and administered by the NC Department of Environmental Quality. Public Works Director Arnold Allred discussed his conversations with the engineering firm LKC and the Asset Inventory Application grant submitted by LKC. They expect the grants to be announced in February. Other grant opportunities will be announced in May. Director Allred discussed his discussions with Asheboro about the water meter vault for the Highway 64 project. The approximate cost will be \$220 ,000.00. General discussion reference the proposed water line and the landfill area. The Board decided for the Mayor to meet with the Asheboro Mayor, David Smith, and the Asheboro City manager to discuss the costs associated with purchasing the water for the new project from Asheboro. **Motion by Commissioner Goodwin to have Mayor Hurley and Director Allred set up the meeting soon. Seconded by Commissioner Whatley. Motion adopted unanimously.**

22-64 ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Finance Officer O'Brien gave a report. She presented the necessary Budget Amendments to the Board for discussion. Since the Town's designation as a Distressed Utility by the Local Government Commission, a budget to actual report must be submitted to the LGC every 6 months with explanations, particularly of any cost overruns for the Utilities, Water and Sewer.

Budget amendments are attached. **Motion by Commissioner Goodwin to accept the budget amendments. Seconded by Commissioner Brandon Hurley. Motion adopted, unanimously.**

22-65 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Commissioner Whatley and Finance Officer O'Brien discussed the recent issues in Planning and Development with the placement of an accessory building on the property near the cemetery of the Full Gospel Bible Church of God and the need to send a letter requesting the removal of the building and a meeting with the Planning Board. Further discussion reference the accessory building on the Walton property on East Main Street and its position reference the neighboring property. A letter was also requested from the Town staff. Commissioner Whatley also discussed the serious illness of the Town's Planning and Zoning consultant, Jill Wood's husband, and wished her family well.

22-66 PUBLIC SAFETY

Mayor Hurley opened the discussion reference the draft contract with the Fire Department submitted by the Town attorney, Bob Wilhoit. General discussion by the Board reference the Fire Department Attorney, Mr. Rosabi and Fire Chief Kyle Dixon's inability to meet and review the proposed contract at this time. **Motion by Commissioner Farias to hold off on, and table the discussion on the contract until Chief Dixon and the Board has time to review the contract. Seconded by Commissioner Dunn. Motion adopted, unanimously.**

22-67 PUBLIC SERVICES

Commissioner Whatley gave an up-date on the library and the grant for the Storywalk installation. Mayor Hurley read an update from Amanda Ratliff with the Parents as Partners program.

22-68 PUBLIC UTILITIES

Director Allred presented his Public Utilities Year End Report. See attached.

Director Allred discussed the TTHM testing and said the last years project at both the Ramseur Water Treatment plant and the installation of equipment at the Clark Street and Providence Grove water tanks have successfully reduced the TTHM levels. He further discussed replacing the asbestos/ironite pipes in Town as his department has time and resources. Director Allred showed photos of recent repairs to the system at Allred Street and his department has been exercising valves and replacing old meters. He discussed the need to replace 10 hydrants over the winter and mentioned it had been too wet to work on the Otus Thomas Ballfield. His department is working on the north-west end of the cemetery and will need gravel to repair the roads. General discussion reference using concrete blocks to block off the old roadways that vandals have used. He will need gravel and blocks at other locations and will separate out the invoices for the Cemetery fund as it is a separate fund. **Motion by Commissioner Brandon Hurley to purchase the blocks and gravel with a total cost of \$2300.00. Seconded by Commissioner Dunn. Motion adopted, unanimously.**

Director Allred also showed photos and discussed the shifting of the base of the walk-bridge and the need for repairs. Director Allred discussed the training of Billie McNeely and the certifications he is working on for the

Town. Commissioner Whatley and Director Allred discussed the trash and old plastic flowers at the cemetery, and Director Allred stated they would be disposed of at the landfill.

22-69 TRANSPORTATION

Commissioner Goodwin and Director Allred discussed the need for repairs to Holly Street and Park Street.

22-70 MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Hurley discussed the recent request from the Piedmont Triad Regional Council (PTRC) for the Board to name a representative to the Council from Franklinville. Mayor Hurley is already a delegate to the Economic Development Council. General discussion reference Mayor Hurley also being the Town Delegate to the PTRC. Mayor Hurley accepted. Mayor Hurley distributed new Committee Assignments to the Board. See attached.

22-71 VISITORS COMMENTS

Laurie Cone discussed the positive achievements in the Town and welcomed the new Board member and Mayor.

22-72 MAYOR'S COMMENTS CONTINUED

Mayor Hurley read a proclamation in support of school choice proposed by a North Carolina School Choice organization. **Commissioner Farias motion to accept, seconded by Commissioner Brandon Hurley. Motion adopted, unanimously.**

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