



MINUTES OF FRANKLINVILLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

August 12, 2024

ATTENDEES: Mayor A.C. Hurley, Mayor Pro-Tem Priscilla Dunn, Commissioner Billy Farias, 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

GUESTS: Laurie Cone, Perry Conner, Brenda Jones, Harriet Moulder, Sara Nieblas, Saul Nieblas, Shelly Siskin, and Amber Scarlet with the Heart of the Triad Visitors Bureau

25-12 7:30 pm: MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence/Prayer

25-13 CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Hurley opened the consent agenda. **Motion by**

Mayor Pro Tem Dunn to amend the past minutes of July 2024 to reflect the change in her attendance. She was present for the July Meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Whatley.

Motion adopted to amend the minutes, unanimously.

Commissioner Whatley motion to accept the consent agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Farias. Motion adopted, unanimously.

25-14 ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Finance Officer O'Brien gave the financial report and presented the Commissioners with the final amended budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. She highlighted the changes required to the budget because of unusually high revenues. She discussed preparations for the yearly audit in progress, and the date of the field work. The auditors will be in the office September 11th through September 12th.

25-15 PLANNING AND ZONING

General discussion reference the attorney for the 216 Sunrise Avenue Zoning non-compliance issue. The Town attorney has not returned calls or emails for several weeks and the local citizens are concerned about whether the town will actually be able to close the home on 216 Sunrise for non-compliance of the Unified Development Ordinance because of the sex offender

parolee rehabilitation home in operation now. Mayor Hurley and Commissioner Farias asked the Clerk to write a letter and give the attorney until the 23rd of August to respond. They asked that the letter go out in the next days mail. General discussion reference the possible water line under the river being done at the same time as the sewer line for the new Ogles Creek Pump station.

Commissioner Whatley discussed if the possibility of a loan or grant for \$500,000.00 or so could be obtained for the project. He asked the Public Works Director or the Clerk to reach out to Bill Lester, the engineer on the Sewer line project about the feasibility.

Motion by Commissioner Whatley to talk to Bill Lester about the water line extension and grant proposals. Seconded by Commissioner Goodwin. Motion adopted, unanimously.

25-16 PUBLIC SAFETY

Commissioner Farias gave a report on the Public Safety Officers and the dates and times they are usually scheduled. He discussed the frequent changes he makes in the schedules, so area juveniles do not learn the schedules to avoid the officers.

25-17 PUBLIC SERVICES

Mayor Hurley directed the Commissioners to their packets that contained both the Library Report and the Parents as Teachers Reports. Commissioner Whatley discussed the possible event for the celebration of 100 years for the Franklinville Library. He suggested a reception the last Saturday in October at the Library. Former Mayor Perry Conner has agreed to head up the preparations and plans for the event. General discussion reference planning, canopies and refreshments. **Motion by Commissioner Goodwin to budget \$750.00 from the Library Fund for the October 26th Library Celebration. Seconded by Commissioner Whatley. Motion adopted, unanimously.**

Commissioner Farias discussed the letter from the Franklinville Diner proprietors about the recent issues with the electrical service in the diner. General discussion reference the quote from the electrical contractor. Consensus of the Board to request several more quotes from area electricians before making a decision. Commissioner Farias will try to get more prices. Commissioner Farias presented prices for the TV monitors for the Board room. One 55 inch unit would replace a damaged unit and two additional units would be 40 inch units. The price he has is \$516.00 plus tax from Walmart. The units have been priced at Best buy and through the State purchasing option at several hundred dollars more. **Motion by Commissioner Farias to purchase the TV monitors from Walmart at a cost of \$516.00. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dunn. Motion adopted, unanimously.**

25-18 PUBLIC UTILITIES

Public Works Director Allred discussed the AIA Surveys being completed by the engineering firm LKC. These are Asset Inventory Assessments for both the water and sewer systems. He expects the surveys and mapping, along with a capital replacement plan, to be completed in the next few months. Director Allred also discussed the work proceeding on the Ogles Creek pumping

station replacement. Both the Ogles Creek project and the Highway 64 water project are currently in the State and County hands. Plan A is for a water line from Ramseur to Wolfsped in Chatham County. Director Allred discussed the necessary repair of a water line leak in front of the Fire Station and said Goldston Concrete had the lowest bid for the repair to the apron and drive in front of the Fire Station at a cost of \$7,000.00. He also discussed the on- going work at the boat landing and the Town has accepted the work for the parking lot at the site. Director Allred discussed selling by sealed bid the trailer and mower recently replaced by the Town. General discussion reference the minimum bids to be accepted and a timeline for the sale. A \$500.00 minimum for the trailer and a \$2500.00 minimum for the mower was suggested. **Motion by Commissioner Whatley to allow Arnold and Beverly to set the schedule for the sale. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dunn. Motion adopted, unanimously.**

25-19 NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Brandon Hurley discussed the timing of the Trunk or Treat event for Halloween night. The road closure resolutions for the Trunk or Treat as well as the Christmas Parade will need to be submitted soon to the Department of Transportation for review and approval. **Motion by Commissioner Brandon Hurley to pass the resolutions and submit to the DOT. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dunn. Motion adopted, unanimously.**

25-20 VISITORS COMMENTS

General Discussion reference the Sun Rise Avenue house and the attorney. Local citizens asked questions about timing and efforts to get the offender rehab. home closed. The issue will be pursued with the Board and the Town. Former Mayor Perry Conner discussed the recent work done at the corner of Depot Street and Min Street. Piedmont Natural Gas replaced a gas line and repainted the curb before they left the area. Mr. Conner asked that the Town consider repainting the curbing further along Main Street since it looked so much better. Public Works Director Allred agreed.

**Commissioner Farias, motion to adjourn.
Seconded by Commissioner Whatley.
9:40 pm Adjourned.**

Respectfully Submitted,

_____ Mayor A.C. Hurley

(seal) _____ Beverly O'Brien. Town Clerk