

May 9, 2022

Town Hall Meeting

1. The meeting started at 6:00 pm. Mayor Archie B. Hicks, Jr. was present along with the following Commissioners: Larry W. Adams, Neal Nichols, Edward G. Venable, Wanda S. Johnson, and Dawn E. Hobson.
2. The April 11, 2022, minutes were approved as written.
3. PUBLIC COMMENT: Bruce Medlin said that he was unable to attend the last board meeting and asked again that his reconnect fee of \$75.00 be refunded to him for a \$85.00 bill. It was voted at the last meeting not to refund it because we treat everyone the same and that still stands.
4. The town had two people to apply for the unexpired term of former Commissioner George W. Burns. The board voted to name Dawn E. Hobson to fill the position. That position will expire in December. Clerk Matthews then sworn in Commissioner Hobson.
5. The Legion Drive Road has been repaired. Ron DeBord of DeBord Asphalt Sealing & Striping did the work for the Veterans at cost for the materials. The Town will pay the bill when they receive it.
6. The taxes have been paid on East Bend Shop Rite. The board decided to delay action to condemn the property at this time.
7. Commissioner Adams made a motion to instruct Town staff to proceed with enforcement of the Town's Zoning Ordinance as it relates to use of the property at 120 E. NC Hwy 67 Bypass as a junkyard or salvage yard. Commissioner Nichols seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
8. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to approve the Imposition of Criminal Penalties for the Violation of Town Ordinances. Commissioner Adams seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
9. Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve Budget Amendment #4. Commissioner Nichols seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
10. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to approve Budget Amendment # 5. Commissioner Venable seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
11. Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve Budget Amendment # 6. Commissioner Nichols seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
12. Commissioner Venable made a motion to approve Budget Amendment # 7. Commissioner Nichols seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
13. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to approve Budget Amendment #8. Commissioner Venable seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

14. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to hold a public hearing on amendments for Article XV and Article XXI of the Town Development Ordinance on June 13, 2022, at 5:15 pm. Commissioner Adams seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
15. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to hold a Public Hearing on the 2022-2023 Budget on June 13, 2022, at 5:30 pm. Commissioner Adams seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
16. Commissioner Johnson made a motion to use \$1,600.00 in ARP money to put lights on the new building. Commissioner Nichols seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
17. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to use \$1,750.00 in ARP money for a retaining wall to store gravel, rock dust etc. Commissioner Hobson seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
18. Commissioner Venable made a motion for Gavin Brannon to be allowed to drive the town truck home. Commissioner Johnson seconded. The motion carried 3-2. Commissioner Adams and Commissioner Nichols voted against.
19. Chief Shore reported that everything is going well.
20. Commissioner Venable made a motion to approve the bills and any that comes in until the next meeting. Commissioner Johnson seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
21. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Adams seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

June 13, 2022  
Date

Archie B. Hicks, Jr.  
Archie B. Hicks, Jr. Mayor

Vickie J. Matthews  
Vickie J. Matthews, Town Clerk/Administrator