

August 14, 2023

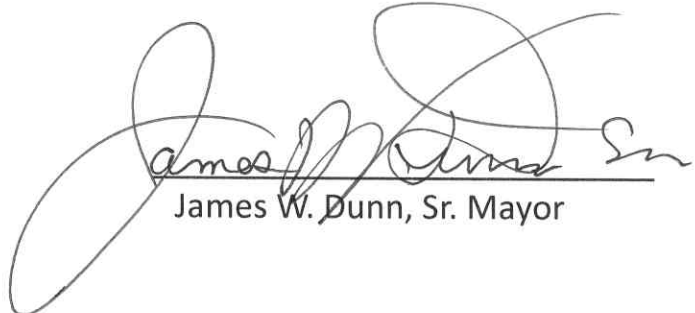
Town Hall Meeting

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. Mayor James W. Dunn, Sr. was present along with the following Commissioners: Dawn E. Hobson, Neal Nichols, Larry W. Adams and Wanda S. Johnson. Edward G. Venable was unable to attend.
2. The July 10, 2023 minutes were approved as written.
3. The July 10, 2023 Closed Session minutes were approved as written.
4. PUBLIC COMMENT: Alex Nelson reported that they have put a new roof on the building at the pool. Mr. Nelson also stated that they had Trivia Night for the Troops at the Marriott Hotel in Winston Salem, N. C. and Mayor Dunn and the Mayor from Rural Hall attended the event and their table placed third out of 28 teams in Trivia.
5. Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the name change at Century Point Drive to Cross Tech. Drive. Commissioner Adams seconded. The motion carried 4-0. Commissioner Johnson also made a motion to accept the gift of the road name sign to the town from Mr. James Inman. Commissioner Nichols seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
6. In the Mayors moments Mayor Dunn stated that until further notice he would sign all timecards and purchase orders.
7. Janice Hicks from the Planning Board ask if the Board had any more questions about the meeting on Thursday night August 10, 2023 with Lizzie Morrison from the NC Dept. of Commerce? Mrs. Morrison met with the Planning Board and the Town Board to talk about a Strategic Plan for East Bend. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to have Lizzie Morrison proceed with the Memorandum of Understanding for the Board and Attorney Price look over. Commissioner Adams seconded. The motion carried 4-0. Janice Hicks asked what the board wanted from the Planning Board about the sign ordinance. The Town Board is going to discuss it at the next meeting.
8. Work orders were tabled until the next meeting.
9. Commissioner Adams made a motion to approve the Mountain to Coast Bicycle Tour to use our Town Square for a rest stop. Commissioner Nichols seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
10. Commissioner Nichols said the town is losing money on water tap fees. Commissioner Nichols made a motion for a $\frac{3}{4}$ inch meter to cost \$1,300.00

plus \$200.00 for each bore and a 1-inch meter to cost \$1,600.00 plus \$200.00 for each bore. Commissioner Adams seconded. The motion carried 4-0.

11. Chief Shore said that everyone in the state is having to change to the Viper System for their radios, chargers and mikes. All of the ARP money that was allotted for the new police car was not used and he asked if that money could cover the cost of the new radios. The cost should be around \$18,000.00. Commissioner Adams made a motion to put the remaining ARP money that was not used for the purchase of the police car back into the ARP fund and use ARP money to cover the cost of the new radios. Commissioner Nichols seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
12. Commissioner Venable was not present to give an update on the Old Mill.
13. Chief Shore reported that everything was going well in town. He and Officer Russell have been taking some courses. They also had a Multi-Agency Traffic Stop at the Senior Center on July 28, 2023, from 9:30 to 12:30. The Sheriff Department was there along with Boonville and Yadkinville Police Departments, the Highway Patrol and license and theft. The Bat Mobile was also there. This resulted in 28 charges and 1 DWI. The next Cruise In will be August 18, 2023 at the East Bend Ball Field.
14. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to approve all bills and any that comes in until the next meeting. Commissioner Hobson seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
15. Commissioner Hobson made a motion to go into closed session for personnel reasons. Commissioner Nichols seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
16. After coming out of closed session Commissioner Nichols made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Johnson seconded. The motion carried 4-0.

Sept. 11, 2023
Date


James W. Dunn, Sr. Mayor


Vickie J. Matthews Town Clerk/Administrator