

December 12, 2022
Town Hall Meeting

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. Mayor Archie B. Hicks, Jr. was present along with Mayor-Elect James W. Dunn, Sr. and the following Commissioners: Larry W. Adams, Neal Nichols, Dawn E. Hobson, and Wanda S. Johnson. Edward G. Venable was unable to attend.
2. Mayor Hicks wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. He also informed the board about the death of Charles Scott. Mr. Scott has been the accountant for the town and helped the town for many years in so many ways. He will be truly missed.
3. The November 14, 2022 minutes were approved as written.
4. PUBLIC COMMENT: Ronnie Fletcher thanked Mayor Hicks and Jan Hicks for all of their hard work for the town. He also thanked Gavin Brannon for getting the Christmas lights up and said they looked so good.
5. Commissioner Nichols made a motion at approve the Town Square Ordinance. Commissioner Johnson seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
6. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to approve the Contract for Rental of the Amphitheater. Commissioner Johnson seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
7. The Board discussed the report from R. E. McLean Tank Company, Inc. about the inspection of our water tanks. This matter was tabled until next month.
8. Mayor Hicks thanked the Town Board and Staff for working with him during his terms as Mayor.
9. Clerk Matthews did the swearing in of Commissioner Hobson and Commissioner Nichols for a four-year term on the board and Commissioner Johnson for a two-year term.
10. Clerk Matthews did the swearing in of Mayor James W. Dunn, Sr. for a two-year term.
11. Mayor Dunn resigned from the Town of East Bend Planning Board and Chairperson of said board.
12. Andy Snow from the Planning Board asked that Susan Venable be approved for another 3-year term and Crystal Holcomb as alternate for a 3-year term and that Andy Snow be moved from alternate to regular member. Mr. Snow reported that Lisa Hughes County Manager and Brock Hall Assistant County Manager presented information about a communication tower.

They would like to put in on land owned by the Yadkin County Board of Education or Yadkin County at East Bend School. Before they proceed with the plans, they wanted to get our thoughts and feelings about the tower. It was decided that the Planning Board would ask Lisa Hughes for more information. Commissioner Johnson made a motion to appoint Susan Venable, and Crystal Holcomb for another 3-year term on the Planning Board and to move Andy Snow from alternate to a regular member. Commissioner Nichols seconded. The motion carried 4-0.

13. Mayor Dunn wanted to apologize for not being up to par on all of the rules for these meetings and running the town, but he is going to read and study and do the best that he can.
14. Commissioner Johnson made a motion to appoint Dawn E. Hobson as Mayor Pro-Tem. Commissioner Nichols seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
15. Mayor Dunn stated that all department heads will stay the same.
16. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to approve James W. Dunn, Sr., Dawn E. Hobson and Vickie J. Matthews the authority to sign check on all of the town's accounts. Commissioner Johnson seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
17. Mayor Dunn talked about people parking on town property. It was decided that everything stay the same for now.
18. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to approve renting a water cooler if the one we have now stops working again. Commissioner Hobson seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
19. Mayor Dunn read a thank you note from Small Town Christmas.
20. Chief Shore gave a police report. Chief Shore presented Officer Mickey with his Intermediate Law Enforcement Certificate. He also presented him with a plaque for his time with the East Bend Police Department. He last day with us was Dec. 5, 2022 and now he is with the Yadkin County Sheriff's Office. Officer Mickey thanked everyone for his time here.
21. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to approve the bills and any that come in until the next meeting. Commissioner Johnson seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
22. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Johnson seconded. The motion carried 4-0.

01-09-2023

Date

Vickie J. Matthews

James W. Dunn, Sr.

James W. Dunn, Sr. Mayor

Vickie J. Matthews, Town Clerk/Administrator