March 9, 2020 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, Mae Luffman, George W. Burns and Wanda S. Johnson
- 2. The February 10, 2020 minutes were approved as written.
- 3. The February 24, 2020 Special Called Meeting minutes were approved as written.
- 4. Executive Session Minutes will be put off until the next meeting.
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
- 6. Mayor Hicks presented the Key to the City to Shirley Ann Flood for her outstanding civic contributions standing in a special position of trust to the citizens of the town and help East Bend be a better place. Since 2009 she has volunteered countless hours and taken a leadership role in the East Bend God and Country Celebration and the Small-Town Christmas event. Mayor Hicks called on the residents of the Town of East Bend to join him and the Town Commissioners in honoring and commending Shirley Ann Flood for her contribution to our community.
- 7. Shirley Flood presented the Board with a thank you letter for the Town's support with the God and Country Celebration and Small Town Christmas and a letter asking for support for the next year. She also asked if they could use the Town Square for the East Bend God and Country Celebration again this year. The board agreed that they could. They are also having a Yard Sale and BBQ sale on May 2, 2020 at the American Legion.
- 8. Janice Hicks wanted to thank Chief Shore for his service at the Senior Center for the election and help with traffic and putting things on Facebook. She also thanked Gavin Brannon for helping with the Town Square with the signs and power pole. The article in the Yadkin Ripple has helped people be aware of what is going on with the Town Square and people have responded with special pricing and donations. Rep. Lee Zachary has contacted the Mayor about writing a letter of support for the PARTA Grant for us. Also, Yadkin Valley Living has an article this month about the Town Square. Hopefully word is getting out and getting people's attention. Yadkin County Human Service came and did walk ability study in the town, and they have money to give to us. They are looking at spending about \$1,800.00 this year for trash cans and a bike rack and another \$1,800.00 next year. The committee is hoping to have a pop-up market with a lot of venders in late April and they will be selling t-shirts and bricks there also.
- 9. March 30, 2020 we will have a budget workshop at 5:00.
- Chief Shore asked for suggestions about getting people to help clean up the streets.
 Commissioner Nichols is going to talk to the area churches about getting the youth to help.
- 11. Chief Shore gave a police report. He had a car chase that ended in front of Larry Garris house and Mr. Garris helped him apprehend the suspect and he wanted to thank him for his help.
- 12. Commissioner Luffman made a motion to approve all bills and any that comes in until the next meeting. Commissioner Burns seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
- 13. Commissioner Luffman made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Johnson seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

Date 2020

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