

Town of Farmville
Board of Commissioners
May 5, 2009

The Farmville Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, May 5, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building Courtroom with Mayor Robert L. Evans presiding. Present for the meeting were Commissioners Joe Kue, Joe Hillard, John Baker, John Moore and Charlotte Batton; Town Attorney Chris Edwards; Town Manager Richard N. Hicks and Town Clerk Amy B. Johnson.

Mayor Evans called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Pastor Calvin Ellison of the Oasis of Hope Church in Farmville offered the invocation which was followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Mayor Evans recognized Mike McLawhorn, who resides at 4351-A West Church Street in Farmville.

Mike McLawhorn expressed his concern over wanting to know what is going on with the Collins & Aikman Building.

Town Manager Hicks stated he had no comments.

Finance Director, Amy B. Johnson gave the financial report for the month of March, 2009.

Amy Johnson and Megin Chapman gave their quarterly departmental reports.

Town Manager Hicks stated he had the following changes/additions/deletions to the evening's agenda:

- Add Agenda item #11- Request for Public Hearing to Consider a Moratorium in the Industrial District
- Add Agenda item #12- Proposed Change Order to Relocate Fiber Optic Cables for GUC Waterline Project that Crosses Little Contentnea Creek
- Add Agenda item #13- Adoption of Resolution in Support of Rural Center Building Renovation and Reuse Grants
- Add Agenda item #14- Discussion of Farmville Country Club Reuse Permit
- Add Agenda item #15- Update on Street Sweepers Repairs

Commissioner Kue made a motion to accept the above changes to the evening's agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearings

None

Items for Consent

1. Approval of Minutes

To approve the minutes from the following session(s):

- April 7, 2009 (regular meeting)
- April 7, 2009 (closed meeting)
- April 20, 2009 (Special meeting)

1A. Request from May Museum Advisory Board

To approve authorization to serve beer and wine at the reception which the May Museum Board is working on to provide a military display for Memorial Day and have Congressman Walter B. Jones as the guest speaker.

On motion by Commissioner Hillard, the Board approved the following:

- *Approved the minutes from the April 7, 2009 regular and closed session meetings and April 20, 2009 special meeting*
- *Approved the request from the May Museum to serve beer and wine at their Memorial Day reception*

The motion carried unanimously.

Items for Decision

2. Request to Address Board- David Lloyd (Abell Elevator)

Skipped due to absence of David Lloyd.

3. Reconsideration of Funding Agreement- Southeastern Power Administration

Town Manager Hicks stated this agenda item was tabled at the request of Commissioner Hillard at the last meeting to allow the Town's Attorney to further review the document and the potential liability.

Commissioner Kue made a motion to deny the request to execute the document. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval of Audit Contract

Town Manager Hicks presented a request from Barrow, Parris & Davenport to approve the proposed audit contract for the 2008/2009 audit.

Commissioner Moore made a motion to approve the audit contract. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Approval of 2009/2010 Health Coverage

Town Manager Hicks presented the renewal quote for the Town of Farmville Employee Health coverage for the fiscal year 2009/2010. Hicks recommended Alternate 1, which includes a modest increase in office copays and would result in an increase of 7.20%.

Commissioner Kue made a motion to approve the 2009/2010 Health insurance rates by choosing Alternate 1. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Adoption of Resolution Requesting Change in Route Designation- US 258

Town Manager Hicks informed the Board with the recent changes in the US Highway 258 Truck Route, there has been a significant increase in truck traffic on Main Street. Hicks stated Main Street is now the regular route for US Highway 258, and is still designated as such on the NTN route maps that many truckers use. Hicks further stated by the time the trucks reach Main Street and determine the difficulty in making

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the turn, it is too late. He said he had been talking with Haywood Daughtry with the DOT and he recommends for the Town to designate the Main Street route as US Highway 258 Business and the regular US Highway 258 would be assigned to the same route as the truck route. Hicks stated all trucks would then be restricted to the US Highway 258 and truck route. He requested adoption of a Resolution Concurring with DOT Proposal.

Commissioner Batton made a motion to adopt Resolution (2009) 1001, Concurring with DOT Proposal. The motion carried unanimously.

7. Adoption of Resolution Directing Clerk to Investigate Petition

Town Manager Hicks presented a petition from the owners of the Highland Hills Mobile Home Park requesting annexation into the corporate limits. Hicks stated the Town was in the process of obtaining the necessary permits for the installation of sewer into the Mobile Home Park with the CDBG Infrastructure Funds. Hicks requested adoption of a Resolution Directing the Clerk to Investigate the Petition.

Commissioner Hillard made a motion adopt Resolution (2009) 1002, Directing the Clerk to Investigate the Petition Received Under G.S. 160A-58.1. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Establish Dates for Budget Meeting

Town Manager Hicks requested the following dates be established for the 2009 Budget meetings:

- June 8, 2009 Budget workshop
- June 9, 2009 Budget workshop
- June 23, 2009 Budget Public Hearing

Commissioner Moore made a motion to establish June 8, 2009 and June 9, 2009 as the dates for the Budget Workshops and June 23, 2009 as the date for the Budget Public Hearing. The motion carried unanimously.

9. Request to Remove Caution Light

Chief Donnie Greene presented a request from Todd Edwards to remove the caution light at the intersection of North George Street and West Church Street.

Commissioner Kue made a motion to remove the caution light at the intersection of North George Street and West Church Street. Commissioner Moore requested for the date of removal to be documented and for the traffic to tracked and watched for a period of time. With this motion, the Board adopted Ordinance (2009) 645, Ordinance Amending Chapter 24, Traffic Control and Parking. The motion carried unanimously.

10. Request to Eliminate Parking Spaces

Chief Donnie Greene presented a request for the elimination of two parking spaces on North Main Street.

Commissioner Moore made a motion to eliminate to the two parking spaces on North Main Street per request of Chief Greene. By this motion, the Board adopted Ordinance (2009) 646, Ordinance Amending Chapter 24, Traffic Control and Parking. The motion carried unanimously.

11. Request for Public Hearing to Consider a Moratorium in the Industrial District

Town Manager Hicks requested a public hearing to be held on May 19, 2009 on Development in the Industrial Zoning District that may impact nearby residential area and imposing a temporary moratorium on all permits issues by the Town in the Industrial Zoning District.

Commissioner Kue made a motion to schedule a public hearing on May 19, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. to consider a Moratorium in the Industrial District. The motion carried unanimously.

12. Proposed Change Order to Relocate Fiber Optic Cables for GUC Waterline Project that Crosses Little Contentnea Creek

Town Manager Hicks presented a change order request to relocate fiber optic cables for the GUC Waterline Project that crossed Little Contentnea Creek.

Van Lewis from McDavid Associates addressed the Board and answered questions.

Commissioner Hillard made a motion to approve the relocation of the fiber optic cables for the GUC Waterline project. The motion carried unanimously.

13. Adoption of Resolution in Support of Rural Center Building Renovation and Reuse Grants

Town Manager Hicks requested adoption of a Resolution in Support of Rural Center Building Renovation and Reuse Grants.

Commissioner Hillard made a motion to adopt Resolution (2009) 1003, In Support of the Application to the Rural Center for Building Renovation and Reuse Grants for Better Built Cabinets and Empower Disciple Church Child Care and After School Care. The motion carried unanimously.

14. Discussion of Farmville Country Club Reuse Permit

Town Manager Hicks informed the Board of the unpaid Farmville Country Club Reuse Permit fees of \$1,300.

Commissioner Kue made a motion to offer for the Town to pay half of the permit fee and for the Country Club to pay the other half. The motion carried unanimously.

15. Update on Street Sweeper Repairs

Town Manager Hicks provided the Board with an update on the street sweeper repairs. He stated the company had fallen on hard times and could not afford to

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purchase the \$10,000 part without the Town fronting the cost upfront before services are rendered.

After a general discussion, the Board instructed the Town to write a "joint" check between the manufacturer of the part and the company performing the service of installing the part to ensure proper handling and returning of the truck.

16. Citizen Comments

Mayor Evans asked if their citizens who would like to speak on any issue addressed this evening.

There were no citizen comments.

17. Closed Session

On motion by Commissioner Kue, the Board adjourned into closed session at 8:43 p.m. pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(4) to discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of industries or other business in the area served by the public body, including agreement on a tentative list of economic development incentives that may be offered by the public body in negotiations. The motion carried unanimously.

On motion by Commissioner Kue, the Board returned into regular session at 9:42 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hillard made a motion to give a 20% reduction in sewer rates for 12 months for Spectratex and then to reevaluate the situation at the end of the 12 months. The motion carried unanimously.

On motion by Commissioner Moore, the meeting was adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

Robert L. Evans, Mayor

Attest:

Amy B. Johnson, Town Clerk