

Mount Pleasant

North Carolina

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Town of Mt. Pleasant
Board of Commissioners
Town Board Meeting
Town Hall- Commissioners Meeting Room
Monday-October 7, 2013
5:00 P.M.

Attendance: Mayor Del Eudy
Mayor Pro-Tem/Commissioner Richard Burleyson
Commissioner Scott Barringer
Commissioner Lori Furr
Commissioner Warren Chapman
Commissioner James Sells
Town Attorney Christy Wilhelm
Town Clerk Cathy Whittington

Also Present: Vagn Hansen, Randy Holloway, Steven Waggoner, Rev. Bruce Gwyn, David Barringer, Chris Carter, Frank James, Lawrence Taylor, Robert Hartsell, Robin Lepak, Lori Love

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eudy called the meeting to order

INVOCATION

Rev. Bruce Gwyn led in prayer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Eudy led in the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC FORUM

Rob Walters with the Board of Education gave a handout to the Board. The handout was an updated list of 2014 Bond Referendum Projects. Mr. Walters would like feedback on the projects on this list. On the list the Mt. Pleasant Middle School is scheduled to be replaced adjacent to Mt. Pleasant High School. Mayor

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Eudy asked how many years it would be before starting this project. Mr. Walters stated at the earliest 2 years. Commissioner Furr stated she had concerns about the shared use of the athletic fields. Mr. Walter also stated that the work session scheduled for Mt. Pleasant Middle School on December 2, 2013 was slated to be cancelled due to funds. He stated that the Board needed to let their wished be known. Commissioner Barringer thanked Mr. Walters for bringing this report. He stated that to the best of his knowledge this was the first report that has very been brought to the Board.

With no one else speaking in Public Forum, Mayor Eudy closed the Public Forum.

APPROVE AGENDA

Commissioner Barringer made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Furr seconded the motion with all board members in favor. (5-0)

CONSENT AGENDA

There were two items on the consent agenda (1) the minutes of the August 26, 2013 Board Meeting, (2) Proclamation-“Cares Enough to Wear Pink” Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Commissioner Chapman made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Sells seconded the motion with all board members in favor. (5-0)

REPORTS

1. Police
2. Fire Chief
3. Town Administrator
4. Finance Officer
5. Public Works
6. Town Attorney
7. Code Enforcement

All Report but Planning and Zoning were submitted as written.

Vagn Hansen reported that the Tough Mudder’s will be parking on site. They had a person come from Idaho and did a study and determined that it was feasible. A driveway will need to be constructed on Washington Street to accommodate the cars. Tough Mudder will pay for the construction. They also need a hydrant meter and will need approximately 30,000 gallons of water. The Tough Mudder’s have been in contact with EMS, they will have special alcohol sales. They will be using local vendors and are still looking for some entertainment, maybe someone to give hayrides. There will be 4 fire personnel working and will be paid by Tough Mudder. Final arraignments will be made with the Sheriff’s Department on October 8th about the Police personnel. They want the Town to request the Mobile Command Unit to come to Town to set up.

The cost of the hydrant meter is approximately \$1,500 and the cost of the concrete work for the driveway is \$2,300.00, both will be reimbursed by Tough Mudder. Commissioner Burleyson made a motion to go ahead with these items that the Tough Mudder need, Commissioner Chapman seconded with all board members in favor. (5-0)

Vagn Hansen reported that the Family Dollar Store put in a small pump station. They had submitted the site plans and are waiting on several permits. The pump station that they put in will be theirs. They are also waiting on their driveway permit.

Vagn Hansen reported that the property on South Main Street. He stated that he drew up some site plans to see what would fit there. Some suggestions were retail business and shared parking. He stated it a good opportunity to utilize what we have. He stated that Benchmark can provide an analyses service for this. It would be good to the property on back on the tax books. Commissioner Barringer asked about the old Masonic Lodge and preserving it. Vagn Hansen stated that there had been no plans about that yet. Mayor Eudy stated he like the idea of mixed use. Vagn Hansen stated that it would be a win win for the Town.

Randy Holloway asked Town Attorney Christy Wilhelm to take a look at HGAC. This is for the purchase of a new fire truck for the Fire Department and can save the Town about \$30,000.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Appoint TCC Member to MPO

Commissioner Furr made a motion to appoint Randy Holloway as the TCC Member to the MPO. Commissioner Sells second the motion with all board members in favor. (5-0)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Frank James-Water Bill Issue

Mr. Frank James came before the board about his water bill. Last month he used 17,500 gallons of water and he doesn't know what happened. He could not find a leak anywhere. His bill usually runs \$36.75 for a minimum bill. Commissioner Barringer made a motion to reduce Mr. James bill to \$36.75. Commissioner Burleyson seconded the motion with all board members in favor. (5-0)

2. Plan Christmas Dinner

It was the consensus of the Board to have Town Clerk Cathy Whittington to contact Yadkin Valley Steak House about possible dates for the Christmas Dinner

3. Petition for Annexation- Set date for Public Hearing

Commissioner Barringer made a motion to set the date for the Public Hearing for Monday, November 4, 2013 at 5:00 pm. Commissioner Furr seconded the motion with all board members in favor. (5-0)

MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Chapman stated that he has talked with some concern citizens about the Tough Mudders.

Commissioner Sells stated that he is watching the Tough Mudder progress.

Commissioner Barringer stated that he has been asked questions about the Tough Mudder Event.

Commissioner Furr stated that Mt. Pleasant High School got the 50/50 Grant. They will be building a beach volleyball court that will be ready in the spring. The stadium beautification and the picnic shelter will be completed soon. Commissioner Furr also stated that she was trending during the meeting trying to get a pep rally for Mt. Pleasant High School and at the time they had 306,999 votes.

Mayor Eudy stated that the Town needed to make sure that David Preddy, the Dr. Office and the Library are aware of what's going on with the Tough Mudder. Vagn Hansen stated that the traffic plan that they are work on is that local traffic only can go down the street to those businesses. He stated that the people would need to notify the sheriff that they were going to the Dr. Office.

Mayor Eudy stated that Ron & Kay Green called and wanted to thank the Town for taking care of the brush at the Public Works Facility.

Commission Chapman made a motion to go into Executive Session according to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6) To consider the qualifications, competence, performance, conditions of appointment of a public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee or To hear or investigate a complaint, charge, or grievance by or against a public officer or employee. Commissioner Furr seconded the motion with all board members in favor. (5-0)

After coming out of executive session Commissioner Burleyson made a motion to allow Randy Holloway to appoint an Interim Fire Chief and to be put on the agenda for November 4, 2013 to appoint a New Chief. Commissioner Barringer seconded the motion with all board members in favor. (5-0)

Commissioner Sells made a motion to approve a contract with Randy Holloway for Town Administrator to begin November 1, 2013. Commissioner Chapman seconded the motion with all board members in favor. (5-0)

Commissioner Barringer asked about the remodeling project that had been slated for the Fire Department. Several options have been discussed at different time and they are still being discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

With nothing else to come before the Board, Commissioner Sells made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Barringer seconded the motion with all board members in favor. (5-0)

By our signatures the following minutes were approved as submitted and amended on Monday, November 4, 2013 in the Regular Meeting.

Town Clerk Cathy Whittington

Mayor Del Eudy

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