

**Town of Mt. Pleasant
Board of Commissioners
Town Board Meeting
Monday, February 12, 2018 at 6:00 P.M.**

Attendance: Mayor Del Eudy
Mayor Pro-Tem/Commissioner Lori Furr
Commissioner Warren Chapman
Commissioner Steve Ashby
Commissioner Justin Simpson
Commissioner William Meadows
Town Administrator Randy Holloway
Town Attorney John Scarbrough
Town Clerk Amy Schueneman

Also Present: Crystal Smith, Bruce Gwyn, Jennifer Blake, Deputy Stephen Wagoner, Troy Barnhardt, Marcia Morris, Amber Pope, JoBeth Coia, Martha Dobson, Allen Dobson, Scott Barringer, Brent Cloninger, and Amy Porter.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eudy called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Pastor Bruce Gwyn led the Board in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Eudy led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Public Forum

Marcia Morris, member of Friends of the Mt. Pleasant Library, informed the Board that the Library needs to add-on to the building. Mrs. Morris wanted the Board to support the need for the addition. The Board did not make a motion, however there was a consensus among the Board that an addition is needed. *A copy of the information she read to the Board is included in the Minutes.*

2. Conflict of Interest

The Mayor and Commissioners are asked at this time to reveal if they have a Conflict of Interest with any item on the Agenda in order to be recused for that item. (No member shall be excused from voting except upon matters involving the consideration of the member's own financial interest or official conduct or on matters on which the member is prohibited from voting under G.S. 14-234, 160A-381(d), or 160A-388(e)(2). NC State Statute 160A-75)

None of the Board Members had a Conflict of Interest.

3. Approve Agenda

Mayor Eudy added to items to the Agenda:

New Business:

E. Update

Closed Session

A motion to approve the Amended Agenda was made by Commissioner Furr with a second by Commissioner Simpson.

All Board Members were in favor. (5-0)

4. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes January 8, 2018 Board Meeting

B. Minutes January 25, 2018 Special Called Meeting

C. Annual Purge of Records List for January 18, 2018

Commissioner Simpson made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda with a second by Commissioner Ashby. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0)

5. Reports

A. Town Administrator- Randy Holloway

B. Asst. Town Administrator-Crystal Smith

C. Finance Officer- Amy Schueneman

D. Customer Service-Jennifer Blake

E. Public Works- Bobby Hartsell

F. Town Planning- Erin Burris

G. Code Enforcement- Jeff Watts

H. Police-Deputy Stephen Wagoner

6. Public Hearings

No Public Hearings.

7. Old Business

No Old Business

8. New Business

A. Consider appointing a Town Commissioner to the Fire & Rescue Relief Fund Board for a 2 year term 2018-2019.

The Fire & Rescue Relief Fund Board is comprised of 2 elected officials and 2 fire department staff, as well as the Town Clerk. Mayor Eudy is currently on the Board until 2019. Another elected official needs to be appointed to the Board for term 2018-2019 to replace Scott Barringer.

A motion to nominate Commissioner Furr to the Fire & Rescue Relief Fund Board for 2018-2019 was made by Commissioner Simpson with a second by Commissioner Chapman. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0)

B. Consider donating the Vermeer 935BC Wood Chipper to Cabarrus County Schools Maintenance Dept.

The Vermeer 935BC Wood Chipper owned by the Town was recently put on Govdeals to sale as surplus which was approved by Town Administrator, Randy Holloway. The Cabarrus County Schools Maintenance Dept. saw it on Govdeals and asked if we could transfer ownership to them. Because of all they do at no charge for the Town, Town staff would like to donate the chipper.

A motion to donate the Vermeer 935BC Wood Chipper to Cabarrus County Schools Maintenance Dept. was made by Commissioner Simpson with a second by Commissioner Meadows. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0)

The request letter from Cabarrus County Schools is included in the Minute Book.

C. Consider awarding the low bid of \$30,404 to Hilbish Ford for a ¾ ton truck for the Public Works Department.

The Town Staff has received three bids for a ¾ ton truck for the Public Works Department.

This item was discussed during the budget planning process and is included in the FY-2018 budget in the amount of \$46,000.

The bids are as follows:

1. Hilbish Ford	\$30,404
2. Ben Mynatt Chevrolet	35,557
3. Hendricks Auto Mall	37,507

The Town Administrator and Public Works Director recommend awarding the low bid of \$30,404 to Hilbish Ford.

A motion to award the low bid of \$30,404 to Hilbish Ford for a ¾ ton truck for the Public Works Department was made by Commissioner Ashby with a second by Commissioner Simpson. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0)

D. Discuss purchasing a 22' LED Christmas Tree for the Tree Lighting at Town Hall and replacing the angels for Christmas 2018.

Although Christmas is still 10 months away, now is the best time to purchase Christmas items. Mosca Design is the company we purchased the angels from 20+ years ago. During the months of January and February each year, items are either 33% off or buy 2 get 1 FREE. The company sales representative stated that any orders placed by February 28th will receive the special pricing and he is willing to hold part of the invoice until July 1st to lock in the price. There is enough money to purchase the 22' LED tree (sale price \$8,921, regular price \$13,315) from this year's budget. However, to purchase 30 new pole lights (\$10,000-\$12,000), the Town would need to budget for them FY 2018-2019. The pole lights could be invoiced on July 1st at the sale rate, if the Town decides to purchase by February 28th.

The Board discussed the location of the Christmas Tree which will be in front of Town Hall in the area where the holly tree is now. The total height of the tree will be 26' with the star on top, almost as tall as the flag pole.

A motion to move forward with the purchase of the panel tree of 22' for \$8,921 was made by Commissioner Ashby with a second by Commissioner Furr. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0)

The Board looked at the options for Pole Lights and choose to go with snowflakes to replace the current angels which are 20+ years old.

A motion to purchase 30 snowflake pole lights to be paid for in next year's budget was made by Commissioner Simpson with a second by Commissioner Furr. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0)

E. Update Town Parking Lot issues

Early last week Randy Holloway received a call about the Cruise-In group requesting the use of the new parking lot for their event one Saturday a month from April to September. The Town has not sponsored this event in the past but it would be good to sponsor it in the future so that the Town can promote it and help with expenses such as a port-a-john. The Cruise-In group estimates an average of 25-40 cars with a high of 60. This would take our new lot out of commission from 4-8pm on Cruise-In Saturdays. The Town has reached out to Fifth Third Bank to see if they could use their lot since the parking lot size would accommodate the group. Town Hall was offered as a meeting site but they don't like the speed bumps for low riding cars or being out of sight from traffic. Due to complaints from businesses and the public about traffic cutting through the new parking lot to avoid the light, speed bumps will be added to the parking lot in the future which will eliminate it as an option for the event. The Town is not turning them away just trying to help find an alternative.

Mayor Eudy stated that Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church offered their large lot which is highly visible from Hwy 73 but Cruise-In turned it down. There are a lot of areas around Town they could use.

Randy Holloway said 73 & Main has offered to host them if they come in early to the restaurant at 4pm.

No action was taken on this item. Information only.

At this point Commissioner Simpson made a motion with a second from Commissioner Ashby to go into Closed Session. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0)

As the audience was leaving the auditorium, Mayor Eudy reminded the Board that the March 12th meeting will begin at 6pm instead of 5pm as previously planned.

Closed Session 143-318.11. (a)(3) To discuss parking lot issues.

To consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the public body, which privilege is hereby acknowledged. General policy matters may not be discussed in a closed session and nothing herein shall be construed to permit a public body to close a meeting that otherwise would be open merely because an attorney employed or retained by the public body is a participant. The public body may consider and give instructions to an attorney concerning the handling or settlement of a claim, judicial action, mediation, arbitration, or administrative procedure. If the public body has approved or considered a settlement,


other than a malpractice settlement by or on behalf of a hospital, in closed session, the terms of that settlement shall be reported to the public body and entered into its minutes as soon as possible within a reasonable time after the settlement is concluded.

Commissioner Simpson made a motion with a second from Commissioner Furr to end the Closed Session. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0)

9. Adjournment

With nothing else to come before the Board, Commissioner Furr made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Chapman seconded the motion. All Board Members were in favor. (5-0)

By our signatures the following minutes were approved as submitted and amended on Monday, March 12, 2018 in the Regular Meeting.


Town Clerk Amy Schueneman


Mayor W. Del Eudy

