

**Town of Fairview  
Regular Meeting  
April 14, 2014**

The following Council members were present: Mayor Elizabeth Long, Bradley Purser, Jerry Clontz and John Biggers. Arnold Price was not present.

Others present: Joe McCollum, Town Attorney; Darrell Baucom, Financial Officer and Ed Humphries, Land Use Administrator and Town Clerk

**Agenda Change**

Ed Humphries suggested that Richard Flow's presentation be moved up to 2.c. under Public Comments/Presentations.

Bradley Purser made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. John Biggers seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Purser and Clontz voted yes (3-0).

**Public Comment**

Beth Rabb stated that the State had again changed the rules on accepting streets. (Land Use Administrator has copy of the letter). Beth gave the Council and Clerk a letter dated April 14, 2014, asking for public information (see Exhibit A).

Alan Rabb addressed the issue of "truck noise" when "Jake Brakes" are used. He stated other towns have ordinances prohibiting the use of "Jake Brakes" in certain areas of town. He suggested that Fairview may want to look into this.

**Presentations**

- a. Keith Moser and Dr. Ken Thomas, Board members of **The Drug Court Foundation**, explained their involvement with the foundation and the treatment of DWI/Drug hard core repeat offenders that are given a last chance with this treatment rather than prison. Of the 78 admitted to the program, 17 have completed the program which relates to money savings when compared to prison cost.

Dr. Thomas explained that any support would be appreciated. The total budget for the program is approximately \$60,000 per year.

- b. Pam Caskey gave a presentation regarding **Safe Alliance** and the work that the organization does in Union County. Caskey is asking the Council to consider donating \$1,000 to their efforts in the next year's budget (application on file and complete).

Caskey read a proclamation (see Exhibit B).

Jerry Clontz made a motion to approve the proclamation. John Biggers seconded the motion. Councilmen Clontz, Biggers and Purser voted yes (3-0).

- c. Richard Flow with N-focus, explained again the “Small Area Plan” he was asked to study which was a half mile radius of the intersection of Highways 218 and 601.

Flow stated these plans are “tools to make informed decisions”. He used a PowerPoint presentation (copy in clerk’s office) explaining how the plan came about, the Charlotte and metro Region and how Fairview was a part of that, and an analysis and carrying capacity study of the half mile radius. Richard stated “All is driven by highways and rooftops”.

John Biggers stated that he understood that this was a vision and a lot of things would have to happen---mainly sewer. He stated it still was good to be thinking about.

Jerry Clontz stated the Plan is for the future.

Mayor Long had concerns about the County providing sewer to Fairview, stating that the County would need business to help pay for it. Mayor Long stated the roundabout would not work and NCDOT was not contacted. Flowe stated the roundabout was a traffic calming idea that could work on Highway 218. Whatever was done would need to be engineered and done by NCDOT

Mayor Long was also very concerned why property owners were not asked for their input. Flowe explained that this plan did not use property lines but focused on where the best place for development should be within the radius. Flowe explained that there is still too much that has to happen before development occurs, mainly sewer.

Bradley Purser thanked Mr. Flowe for his work on the project

Council heard the presentation but took no action on it.

1. **Reports**

Darrell Baucom gave the financial report. Baucom suggested that Fairview may want to look around for higher rates for some of its money. It was agreed by Council that Darrell look at Bank of NC regarding opening a new account which pays a higher rate.

Humphries gave the zoning permit report.

The report from Tony Helms was included in the packet.

Jerry Clontz had no report from the Fire Department Committee.

Jerry Clontz, for the Park and Recreation Committee; waiting to see if we get the

grant. (PARTF)

Bradley Purser gave the report about the CRTPO. Jerry Clontz had a question regarding the fee for CRTPO and whether we had already paid for this year or was the check he signed tonight for this fiscal year. (Town Clerk did verify that the check was for 2013-14 fiscal year)

## **Old Business**

### **b. Fee Schedule**

Bradley Purser would like to waive all fee charges to churches.

Joe McCollum state that he would advise not doing that.

Jerry Clontz wants to leave “as is”.

Mayor Long stated we should leave it as is.

## **New Business**

### **1. “Budget Workshop”**

Bradley Purser made a motion that the Council conducts its budget workshop at a special meeting April 28, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room. Jerry Clontz seconded the motion. Councilmen Clontz, Biggers and Purser voted yes (3-0).

### **2. Request for tax refund**

Bradley Purser made a motion to refund \$203.92 in taxes paid by Jennifer Taylor. These taxes were paid twice. John Biggers seconded the motion. Councilmen Clontz, Biggers and Purser voted yes (3-0). (Exhibit B attached)

### **6. Council Comments**

Mayor Long stated the April agenda was not on the website.

Mayor Long asked the “Social Media Committee” to look at the website with Karla Duke (WebSolutions) to see if improvements can be made.

Bradley Purser made a motion to study the website. John Biggers seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Purser and Clontz voted yes (3-0).

John Biggers had concerns regarding traffic connected to the bridge closing and Fairview Elementary School.

Mayor Long is to call the Sheriff's Department and ask about an off-duty officer possibility for the remaining 35 days of school, and report back to Council.

It was suggested that this item would be put on the April 28, 2014 Budget Workshop agenda with possible action.

Bradley Purser stated that he is resigning from the CRTPO as the Fairview Representative as of this date. Mr. Purser gave no reason. There is no appointed alternate by the Town Council. Mayor Long asked John Biggers if he would serve as our representative. John agreed, if his schedule would permit, to serve.

### **Minutes**

John Biggers made a motion that the minutes of March 3, 2014 Special Meeting be approved with corrections. Bradley Purser seconded the motion. Councilmen Clontz, Biggers and Purser voted yes (3-0).

The minutes of March 10, 2014 Regular Meeting was tabled for further review until the next meeting.

### **Adjournment**

John Biggers made a motion to adjourn. Bradley Purser seconded the motion. Councilmen Clontz, Biggers and Purser voted yes (3-0).

Respectfully submitted,

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Ed Humphries  
Town Clerk

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Elizabeth Long  
Mayor

**Approved this 12th day of May, 2014.**