

**Town of Fairview
Regular Meeting
December 9, 2013**

The following Council members were present: Mayor Elizabeth Long, Bradley Purser, Jerry Clontz, B.B. Haigler and Arnold Price.

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

Agenda Changes

There were no agenda changes.

Bradley Purser made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Jerry Clontz seconded the motion. Councilmen Haigler, Clontz, Purser and Price voted yes (4-0).

Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

Reports

- **Financial Report:** Darrell Baucom gave the monthly Financial Report.
- **Land Use Report:** Ed Humphries gave the Land Use Report and also the current tax information. Humphries also explained that N-Focus would show their final plan to the Planning Board in Jan. and bring it before Council in Feb. 2014
Mayor Long asked if N-Focus was going to interview residents. Humphries stated that he has not and wanted to bring to Council first. Long asked about a property on Concord Highway that a Planning Board had a question about. Humphries explained the property owner was told that the property had to come into compliance with a CUP (Conditional Use Permit). That application should be before the Planning Board in Jan. 2014
- **Fire Department:** Jerry Clontz stated that the Committee is interviewing an architect in Davidson to obtain another cost estimate. The committee should have a cost by February, 2014.
- **Economic Development:** Tony Hems explained that the committee discussed the recent County and school system law suit and how it might affect the tax rate for the people of Union County.
- **Park and Recreation:** Jerry Clontz asked that he wait until the Public Hearing.
- **Social Committee:** Phil Thomas stated that the FaceBook account is working smoothly. He stated that a report on this each month is not necessary.

Presentation of 2012-2013 Town Audit

Tom Moyer with Moyer Smith and Roller, P.A. explained the Fairview **Audit for 2012-2013**. Mr. Moyer covered the financial statements and stated that his firm found no material weaknesses in the Towns operation.

Public Hearing

Mayor Long opened the **Public Hearing for comment and support for the PARTF Grant** that the Town is applying for.

Jerry Clontz stated that this Public Hearing, along with two other community meetings, would be held to gain support for the PARTF application that Site Solutions was preparing for the Town. Jerry Clontz stated that one community meeting is scheduled for December 12, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. with the PTO at a meeting of the Fairview Elementary School. The second is to be held at Bethlehem Church at 6:30 p.m. on December 17, 2013.

Jerry Clontz explained the PARTF Grant process which asks for a matching grant for the Fairview part. The first phase will cost approximately \$608,000.00.

Mayor Long asked for Public Comment.

Tony Helms stated that he thought It would be a “great asset for the community”.

Phil Thomas stated he “liked the idea and we will be very proud of the park when completed”.

B.B. Haigler stated that he hoped that the pond would be completed next year.

Mayor Long closed the Public Hearing.

Jerry Clontz stated that he would obtain bids on cleaning the pond.

Appoint Planning Board Members

Ed Humphries, Land use Administrator, explained that three terms of the Planning Board Members would explain in December, 2013. These members are Patti Freeman, Patricia Kindley and John Phifer. All three members asked that they be considered for re-appointment. Humphries also stated that he had three applications of people who were interested in serving on the Board (included in Council’s packets).

Phil Thomas, Chairman of the Planning Board, addressed the Council stating that:

- There is a good mix of male and female on the Board
- From different occupations.
- They work very well together.

Thomas recommended that the three members serving be reappointed for another three years.

Arnold Price made the motion to reappoint the three Planning Board members whose terms are expiring: Patti Freeman, Patricia Kindley and John Phifer for another three year term.

Bradley Purser seconded the motion. Councilmen Price, Purser, Haigler and Clontz voted yes (4-0).

Council Comments

Jerry Clontz stated that if he was going to sign checks in the future, he would like to see them before the meeting. Darrell Baucom stated that would not be a problem.

Bradley Purser stated that he thought the two Town employees should receive a “little something” for Christmas.

Bradley Purser made a motion that the two employees, Darrell Baucom and Ed Humphries, receive a \$50 gift card for Christmas. Arnold Price seconded the motion. Councilmen Price, Purser, Clontz and Haigler voted yes (4-0).

B.B. Haigler read a statement to Council (Exhibit A).

Haigler stated that “due to a decline in my hearing capacity over the past several years, I feel that it would be in the best interest of the Town, that I resign my position on the Council”. Haigler stated it had been an honor to serve and thanked all who supported him.

Mayor Long thanked Mr. Haigler for his service.

Mayor stated that we would need to take some action at our next meeting.

Arnold Price stated that “he had enjoyed working with you”.

Bradley Purser made a motion to accept B.B. Haigler’s resignation from the Council. Arnold Price seconded the motion. Councilmen Purser, Price and Clontz voted yes (3-0).

Mayor Long made the suggestion that the Council tell people of the opening on the Council and if they have an interest, we could interview them. (Similar to what was done when Bill Thomas was appointed)

Jerry Clontz stated he had wanted to do this the last two times this happened but it was not done that way.

Attorney McCollum stated the statute states the Council will fill the seat.

Bradley Purser made a motion to appoint **John Biggers** to take the seat left open by B.B. Haigler.

Arnold Price seconded the motion. Councilmen Price, Purser and Clontz voted yes (3-0).

Jerry Clontz made a motion to have a survey on the park for the PARTF Grant application. This survey would show the actual property limits of the park. The cost of the survey would not exceed \$1,000. Arnold Price seconded the motion. Councilmen Price Purser and Clontz voted yes (3-0).

Jerry Clontz stated that after John Biggers resigned from the Park and Recreation Committee, that he would like to add B.B. Haigler to the Park and Recreation Committee.

Bradley Purser seconded the motion. Councilmen Purser, Price and Clontz voted yes (3-0).

Oaths of Office

At this point, the Town Clerk gave each of the new council members the Oath of Office including John Biggers (the oaths are attached as Exhibit B).

Mayor Long stated that the contract to replace the Goose Creek Bridge was awarded to Dane Construction Company and should be completed in 2014.

Bradley Purser made a motion to appoint Jerry Clontz as Mayor Pro-tem. Arnold Price seconded the motion. Councilmen Purser, Price, Clontz and Biggers voted yes (4-0).

Minutes

Arnold Price made a motion to approve the minutes of November 11, 2013 with corrections. Jerry Clontz seconded the motion. Councilmen Price, Purser, Clontz and Biggers voted yes (4-0).

Arnold Price made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jerry Clontz seconded the motion. Councilmen Clontz, Purser, Price and Biggers voted yes (4-0).

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Humphries
Town Clerk

Elizabeth B. Long
Mayor

Approved this 13 th day of Jan, 2014.