



**Town of Fairview
Regular Meeting
December 14, 2015**

The following Council members were present: Mayor Elizabeth Long, John Biggers, Jerry Clontz, Bradley Purser, and Phil Thomas.

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

Agenda Changes

None

Approval of Agenda

Bradley Purser made a motion to approve the agenda. Phil Thomas seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Thomas voted yes (4-0).

Public Comments

None

Presentations

Darrell Baucom presented the 2014-2015 Town Audit performed by Moyer, Smith & Roller, PA. since Mr. Moyer was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Baucom covered the financial statements and stated that the auditor noted that everything was fairly presented. The auditor reported one instance of noncompliance regarding the Town park capital project which is considered a major fund and should be separate from the general fund as a park capital project fund. Mr. Baucom also noted that he will be getting further training regarding fund accounting.

Bradley Purser requested that Mr. Baucom check with Mr. Moyer about coming to a future meeting to discuss the audit.

Phil Thomas suggested to Mr. Baucom that as he receives and learns more information regarding the statutes he passes the information along to the council.

Reports

- a) Darrell Baucom gave the financial report.
- b) Ed Humphries gave the Land Use Report.
- c) There was no Park and Recreation report.
- d) John Biggers gave the CRTPO report.
- e) Tony Helms gave the Monroe/Union County Economic Development Committee report.

Items of Business

a. Minutes

Phil Thomas made a motion that the minutes of the November 9, 2015 regular meeting be approved. John Biggers seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Thomas voted yes (4-0).

Current Council Comments

Jerry Clontz stated that he had enjoyed working with Mayor Long.

Bradley Purser stated that Mayor Long has put in a tremendous amount of time and effort into incorporating the town and then serving as council and mayor.

Mayor Long reported on a meeting she had with several members of the Union County Public Health department regarding the arsenic situation. Mayor Long asked the Council to consider establishing some type of grant to help residents with the cost of getting their wells tested.

Phil Thomas reported that he attended the New Mayor Training sponsored by the NC League of Municipalities. It was very informative and he made some good contacts.

Phil Thomas presented Mayor Long with a plaque and thanked her for her years of service.

INTERMISSION

Oaths of Office were given by Town Clerk, Ed Humphries to the newly elected mayor and council members Phil Thomas, John Biggers and Gary Wilfong respectively.

Items of Business

a. **Appoint** Mayor Pro Tem

Mayor Thomas opened nominations for Mayor Pro Tem. Bradley Purser nominated Jerry Clontz. John Biggers seconded the nomination. Gary Wilfong moved that the nominations be closed. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Wilfong voted yes (4-0) to appointing Jerry Clontz as Mayor Pro Tem.

Mayor Thomas administered the oath of office to Jerry Clontz.

b. **Appoint** Teresa Gregorius Fairview Town Clerk

Jerry Clontz made a motion to appoint Teresa Gregorius as Fairview Town Clerk. John Biggers seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Mayor Thomas administered the oath of office to Mrs. Gregorius.

c. **Appoint** Ed Humphries as Deputy Clerk

Jerry Clontz made a motion to appoint Ed Humphries as Fairview Deputy Clerk. John Biggers seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Mayor Thomas administered the oath of office to Mr. Humphries.

d. **Discuss** Salary Adjustment for New Town Clerk

Jerry Clontz made a motion to increase Teresa Gregorius' salary to \$16.00 per hour. Bradley Purser seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Jerry Clontz made a motion to decrease Ed Humphries salary by \$350.00 per month. John Biggers seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

e. **Update** Council on Possible Changes to Park Drawings

Jerry Clontz stated that as he reported last month NCDOT has determined that the town will have to provide a turn lane into the park. The cost is projected to be approximately \$186,000. Upon applying for the permit from Union County we have been told that the town will have to move the 8 inch water line along the turn lane area at an approximate cost of \$30,000.

Mr. Clontz stated that in addition to the resolution Representative Mark Brody presented to NCDOT, Mr. Clontz contacted several individuals at NCDOT to plead the case of not needing a turn lane at all. NCDOT will review again.

f. **Council** Members to Sign Agreement to Fund Payments to Fire Department for the Financing of the New Fire Truck

Patti Freeman, FVFD stated that Yadkin Bank requested a letter from the Town outlining the agreement to fund payments for the new fire truck. The new truck will be delivered January 8th.

John Biggers made a motion to set up quarterly payments to Fairview Volunteer Fire Department for a five year loan at 2.95% with payments made one month prior to each quarter. Jerry Clontz seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Council Comments

Bradley Purser congratulated Mr. Thomas and Mr. Biggers and Mr. Wilfong on winning the election and welcomed Mr. Wilfong to the Council.

Bradley Purser made a motion to give Darrell Baucom, Ed Humphries and Teresa Gregorius a \$50 gift certificate for Christmas. Jerry Clontz seconded the motion. Councilmen Biggers, Clontz, Purser and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Jerry Clontz stated that he is excited about the new council and looks forward to working with everyone.

John Biggers congratulated Mr. Thomas and Mr. Wilfong and also looks forward to working with everyone.

Gary Wilfong thanked his wife for supporting him in running for office. He looks forward to serving the Town of Fairview.

Mayor Thomas stated he is looking forward to serving with everyone. He would like the Council to consider a few items to discuss in the near future: a planning retreat with a facilitator, ways to celebrate Fairview, rules of procedure for Fairview Town Council.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Gregorius
Town Clerk

Phil Thomas
Mayor

Approved this 11th day of January, 2016