## FAIRVIEW TOWN COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 16, 2007 AT 7:00 PM BETHLEHEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The following were present, constituting a quorum; Mayor Richard Williams Elizabeth Long, Jerry Clontz, Bill Thomas and Bradley Purser

Personnel: Attorney Joe McCollum, Tax Collector Tana McConnaughey, Finance Officer Christine Surratt, Town Clerk Jan Carter, Land Use Administrator Jason Wager

Others: Phil Thomas, Shirley Howe, Bobby Pittenger, Jean Benton, Joe Cuthbertson and Jack Griffin

Mayor Williams opened the meeting. The minutes were discussed for the March 12 and March 19 minutes. Member Elizabeth Long made a correction and then she made a motion to approve the minutes as adjusted. Member Bill Thomas seconded it. It passed unanimously.

Financial reports were given out by Finance Officer Christine Surratt. The Council then discussed having a called meeting to discuss the budget. Next Tuesday April 24<sup>th</sup> they will meet at 7:00 at Bethlehem. This will be a called meeting that will be advertised. Tax Collector Tana McConnaughey gave a report on the taxes which are 4% delinquent. Final notices will be mailed this month.

Shirley Howe from the Town Council of Indian Trail talked to the Council about cleaning the waterways. She talked about major flooding. Crooked Creek needs to be cleaned. More housings will be added in Indian Trail. Goose Creek and Duck Creek are not included because of the Heelsplitter. A storm water fee is being discussed in the Town of Indian Trail. Member Long made a motion to accept the resolution to clean the creeks. Member Bradley Purser seconded it and it passed. Member Jerry Clontz was against it because it would cost the Town. He was concerned that the creeks in our area will be flooded. The water then flows to Rocky River.

Jason Wager, Land Use Administrator, discussed Text changes requested by the Planning Board. He passed out the information for the Council. The Planning Board requested six changes on the Land Use Ordinance. They are Definition for Shopping Center, Conditional Zoning and permits, Open space Dedication-Subdivisions, Underground Utilities, Cul-de-sacs and Wells and Septic Tanks. Planning Board Chairman Phil Thomas discussed these issues. Next month, the Planning board will meet a week before the Town Council. They will discuss this further and submit it to the Council in May. Member Clontz said that he was in favor of these issues and he had some questions. Member Bill Thomas likes the Conditional Zoning part of it. Member Long moved to let the Planning Board move ahead, and Member Thomas seconded it. It passed unanimously.

Next,Land Use Administrator Jason Wager discussed the Junk Vehicle situation on Old Dutch Road. A letter has been sent to the owner of the land by Jason Wager. This was the final notice letter. There is still plenty of junk there. Attorney Joe McCollum discussed possible mitigation. Ms. Jean Benton lives across the street. She says some stuff has been moved. She is concerned about her well water. Member Long asked what the next step was. Land Use Administrator Wager stated that the town could go to the next level. Member Thomas discussed the issue. Attorney McCollum wants to review what has already been done. A hearing could take place. A restraining order could be done to prevent any more junk from coming in. A law suit could take place. Other junk that is not vehicles may not be a part of this issue. Member Thomas made a motion to ask the Attorney to proceed and to do whatever legal actions he needs to do. Member Long seconded it. It passed unanimously.

Next, a proclamation was discussed for equal pay for women and men. After some discussion, Member Thomas made a motion to approve it. Member Purser seconded it. It passed unanimously.

BB Haigler talked about the water problem. He and Member Thomas went to the Commissioners meeting today and this issue was discussed. Mayor Williams will meet with some commissioners next week. Land Use Administrator Wager will work on the issues of grants for the Clean Water Management Grants. He will get information on the grants application. The Mayor Williams will contact David Almond our Representative. BB Haigler noted that there are 52 houses that are affected by the water problems on Indian Trail Fairview Road.

Mike Duke stated that our web site "FairviewNC.gov" is now up. Agenda & Minutes will be shown there. Email will be directed to the Boards personal emails.

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The Mayor opened the floor for the public. Then a motion was made by Member Elizabeth Long to close the meeting. Member Bill Thomas seconded it. It passed unanimously and the meeting closed.

Respectfully Submitted:

Town Clerk Jan Carter