

Town Of Oakboro

**Board of Commissioners
Minutes
Regular Scheduled Meeting
September 18, 2017
7:00 PM
6:30 PM Briefing**

Mayor Burgess called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. The Clerk (Kathy Mesimer was sitting in for Patti Efird) called the roll with the following present: Commissioner Broadway, Commissioner Huneycutt, Mayor Burgess and Commissioner Harvey. Commissioner Efird was not present for meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Burgess.

Commissioner Huneycutt referred to Rev. Jonathan Waits for Devotions.

Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion to include a closed session, tonight, for personnel and approve the agenda. Commissioner Broadway seconded the motion and it carried.

Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion to approve minutes from August 21, 2017 and August 28, 2017. Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion and it carried.

Commissioner Harvey made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$351,312.11. Commissioner Huneycutt seconded the motion and it carried.

The Board recognized Chief Smith to read proclamation for Oakboro to recognize October as Domestic Violence Awareness month on behalf of the Esther House. Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion to adopt the proclamation. Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion and it carried.

Open Forum: Chris Palmer signed up to speak. Mr. Palmer requested that speed bumps be installed on the main road of the Oak Glen Subdivision. He said that people were exceeding the speed limit and feared someone would get hurt. Mayor Burgess said they would consider doing that.

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Department Updates:

Budget and Finance: Commissioner Harvey had no report.

Cemetery and Streets: Commissioner Efird left his report with the Mayor since he is on vacation this week. Included in his report was an estimate for paving and patching Sixth Street, Tenth Street, East First Street, Railroad Street, East Seventh and East Tenth streets. Commissioner Huneycutt offered that he would like to see alley way behind Los Jacobes patched.

Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion that we patch the above streets for \$22,711.00. Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion and it carried.

Police Department: Commissioner Broadway referred to Chief Smith. Chief Smith reported that since the last meeting 407 business checks were conducted. 69 citations were given and 87 calls of service.

Parks and Recreation: Larry Branch was recognized to update special projects. Mr. Branch informed everyone that he had applied for and did receive a grant for Long Street Park in the amount of \$172,800.00. It includes renovation of playground equipment. This playground is unique and different from any other playground we've had in Oakboro. This has a rubber base and is usable by handicapped children. We have horseshoe pits, picnic shelters and paving parking lot to have a complete overhaul renovation. It will also include new fixtures in bathroom and kitchen and new tile in Community Building. The outside will have a new roof and paint. Mayor Burgess offered that this is a matching grant and our part would be \$86,400.00.

Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion that we go ahead with the contracts for the Part F Grant. Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion and it carried.

Commissioner Efird left us 2 quotes to remove approximately 20 dead trees in District Park. Jason's Tree Service quote is for \$4,000.00. Poulos Tree Service quote is for \$5,600.00. Commissioner Huneycutt asked if this included stump removal. Mayor Burgess said that it would not require stump removal since the stumps are in the woods and would not pose a problem.

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Commissioner Harvey made a motion to approve bid for \$4,000.00 for dead tree removal. Commissioner Broadway seconded the motion and it carried.

Water and Sewer: Commissioner Huneycutt asked Larry Branch if he had anything to report. Larry Branch reported that we had been putting in a lot of water taps and that was encouraging. Also, the venue on Eighth Street is coming along and water and sewer are hooked up.

Advisory Board and Code Enforcement: From Commissioner Efird, we need to set a Public Hearing for the rezoning of property on Eighth Street for Joel Thomas. The change would be from R-20 to Industrial.

Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion that we set a Public Hearing at our Regular Scheduled October Meeting for rezoning the property on Eighth Street – vacant lot .891 acres belonging to Joel Thomas from R-20 to Industrial. Commissioner Broadway seconded the motion and it carried.

Mayor Burgess told the Board that he was approached by members of the Garden Club. They would like to install a memorial plaque in our Memorial Park that would commemorate their part in organizing the park and a list of the original members of the committee.

Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion that we let the Garden Club put their plaque at the park. Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion and would ask that they need to present a plan prior to installing anything and the motion carried.

Board Member Comments:

Commissioner Broadway: no comment.

Commissioner Huneycutt: He thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Commissioner Harvey: no comment.

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Mayor Burgess thanked each one for attending and informed everyone that we would be adjourned for 5 minutes and resume for closed session.

Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion to go into Closed Session. Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion and it carried.

Closed Session – No action taken.

Commissioner Harvey made a motion to go back into Open Session. Commissioner Broadway seconded the motion and it carried.


Mayor Burgess gave an overview of the Roofing Contract for Town Hall.

Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion to award Roofing Contract for repairing roof at Oakboro Town Hall to Baker Roofing in the amount of \$21,500.00. Commissioner Broadway seconded the motion and it carried.

Commissioner Huneycutt asked for a review of N. Haywood, E. Second, Trotter's Ridge and Damon's Alley in regards to resurfacing.

Commissioner Harvey made a motion to continue meeting until September 25, 2017. Commissioner Broadway seconded the motion and it carried.

This the 18th day of September 2017.



Doug Burgess, Mayor



Kathy Mesimer