

Town Of Oakboro

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES

APRIL 19, 2021

7:00 pm

Mayor Little opened the meeting, welcomed everyone and had the Town Clerk call the roll with the following present: Commissioner Efird, Commissioner Hathcock, Commissioner Huneycutt, Mayor Little, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Watkins and Town Administrator, Doug Burgess.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Little.

Bud Smith had devotions.

Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Hathcock seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$171,522.99. Commissioner Efird seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion to approve the minutes from 3-15-21 and 3-30-21. Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

Open Forum:

Kendall Huneycutt addressed the board with concerns about the alleyway behind his Tire store. He would like for town to scrape it. He also would like permission to put some kind of space in his fence so that police could periodically stop and shine a flashlight in to make sure no one is stealing from him.

Tim Seagraves addressed the board in regards to his "letter of credit" for the next phase of Forrest Creek Subdivision. He was thinking it was a 10-year Letter of Credit in the amount of \$30,000.00 that would have a 10% reduction per year. Town Attorney and Board will discuss.

Department Updates:

Budget and Finance: Commissioner Smith referred to Town Administrator, Doug Burgess. Mr. Burgess reported that we are in the 9th month of our fiscal year and should be at 75% across the board. The General Fund

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revenues are at 98% and expenditures are at 83%. Water Fund revenues are at 80% and expenditures are at 69%. Sewer Fund revenues are at 98% and expenditures are at 78%.

Cemetery and Streets: Commissioner Hathcock reported that he had been surveying the streets within the city limits of Oakboro. He said that he and Commissioner Watkins would continue this week and report back with a list of things that need to be repaired. He would like to see the town scrape the alleyway behind Huneycutt Tire and have police be able to look inside fence.

Police Department: Commissioner Huneycutt referred to Chief TJ Smith. He first wanted to award Bryce Kaus with the Officer of the 4th quarter of 2020. He further reported that his department gave 61 citations, 17 arrests, 708 field contacts and 187 incidents reports. He thanked everyone for showing up to the Damon Smith memorial service.

Parks and Recreation: Commissioner Smith referred to Head of Parks and Recreation, Josh Almond. Mr. Almond reported that they had added quite a few new events at the park over the last few weeks. He added that the model boat battleship competition would be held this coming weekend. They will be coming back in July to hold a national event. He updated everyone on the Stanly County Sports Hall of Fame as he is our representative. It was cancelled last year. The plan, now, is to hold a virtual event in a month. He will meet later in the week and get back with the board as to the details.

Water and Sewer: Commissioner Efirm reported that at the last meeting he jumped the gun on the Sewer Impact Fee. They had done away with it several years ago when building was not doing so well. He asked to rescind the motion that he made and Commissioner Huneycutt seconded in order to get the necessary study done in order to put the impact fee back in place. He discussed a proposal that would raise the water and sewer rates on new construction only.

Commissioner Efirm made a motion to rescind the Sewer Impact Fee. Commissioner Huneycutt seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

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Commissioner Efird made a motion to raise the water and sewer rates on new construction only, effective immediately to:

Inside Town water tap fee - \$1500.00

Inside Town sewer tap fee - \$850.00

Outside Town water tap fee - \$2000.00

Outside Town sewer tap fee - \$1500.00

Commercial taps - \$3000.00

Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

Commissioner Efird continued with his report for Water and Sewer as he read a report from Tommy Kost. For the last 30 days his crew repaired 9 water leaks, installed 1 water tap, 3 sewer issues, pipes repaired on 2 cleanouts, 5 E-1 pumps diagnosed and problems fixed, 2 E-1 pumps rebuilt, installed sewer tap, 2 main pump stations pulled – 1 pump at each. 1 main pump station issue. 1 storm drain add on 15' pipe, 3 on-call callouts (2 water and 1 sewer).

Advisory Board/Code Enforcement: Commissioner Efird referred to Chief Smith. He reported that since the last meeting we received 2 pool applications, 1 addition application, 2 minor repair applications and 10 new house applications. He asked Kendall Huneycutt if it would be okay if he and Doug Burgess get with him tomorrow to address his problems with alleyway and fence.

The Oakboro Planning and Zoning Board sent a favorable recommendation to the Board of Commissioners to add Cluster Development to our ordinances.

**Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion to call for a Public Hearing on May 17, 2021 to add Cluster Development to our Ordinances.
Commissioner Efird seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.**

**Commissioner Huneycutt made a motion to go into Closed Session.
Commissioner Hathcock seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.**

Closed Session

Action Taken

**Commissioner Smith made a motion to go into Open Session.
Commissioner Hathcock seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.**

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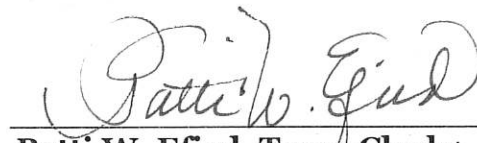
Commissioner Smith made a motion to make Beverly Parr a full-time employee. Chris Huneycutt seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to adjourn meeting. Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously.

This the 19th day of April, 2021.



Joyce H. Little, Mayor



Patti W. Efir, Town Clerk+