



Minutes of
City of Creedmoor
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting
November 27, 2012
7:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Darryl D. Moss, Mayor Pro-Tem John Stallings, Commissioner Jimmy Minor, Commissioner Otha Piper, Jr, Commissioner Herman Wilkerson, and Commissioner Larry Robinson. Also present were, Tom Mercer, City Manager; Korena Weichel, City Clerk; Robin Reif, Deputy City Clerk, and Attorney Tom Currin.

INVOCATION and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Moss called the meeting to order and offered the invocation. Commissioner Wilkerson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Piper to adopt the agenda with addition of item 7.c. National Home Care and Hospice Month Proclamation; seconded by Commissioner Minor. Motion received a unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Commissioner Stallings to approve the Minutes of the October 23, 2012 Board of Commissioner's Regular Meeting and November 5, 2012 Board of Commissioner's Work Session; seconded by Commissioner Robinson. Motion received a unanimous vote.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

Jake May, a four-year veteran of the Creedmoor Police Department was recognized for achieving the position of Sergeant. In February 2011 Sergeant May volunteered to be the School Resource Officer of SGHS and was made a temporary investigator in June 2012. Interim Chief Dennis Williams stated that Sergeant May has the potential to become a great leader.

REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Ms. Jemetta Jones, Kids World, 1002 Highway 15N. Ms. Jones stated that concurrent with water and sewer project construction her facility experienced a three-week period of no water pressure. Ms. Jones stated that calls were made to City Hall but were told that public works was backed up and would be delayed in getting to the building to assist. Following a visit from Public Works staff, normal water pressure was experienced, followed by a high (\$1,500.00) water bill. Ms. Jones reported that she was told that a leak in her faucet had caused the higher bill. Ms. Jones stated that she was pleading for help.

Mayor Moss responded that board policy states that when water goes through the meter it is the property owner's responsibility. Staff determined that there was a clog in the (meter yoke) and that it was old.

Finance Director, Ren Wiles reported that after the bill was issued and Ms. Jones concerns had been noted, the department researched the facilities billing history and determined it fell within a range of \$150-\$200/monthly. Public Works was consulted and they responded that an increased flow was experienced after replacing the meter yoke. This increased flow cleaned out further sediment which may have increased the leak. As per policy, no adjustment to the bill was offered although a six month installment payment offer was extended.

Interim Public Works Director, Clint Blackburn reported that Ms. Jones called in on October 8, 2012 and a work order was generated. Public Works personnel were onsite at the facility on October 15, 2012. An employee of the facility was notified of the leak and its need to be fixed. Commissioner Minor referenced the data logger which showed the water and

sewer usage history of the property and stated that Creedmoor citizens should not have to bear the burden of someone who did not fix a leak.

PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamation 2012-P-06: Proclamation Recognizing November as Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month

Mayor Moss introduced Ms. Kelly Yow who spoke regarding Pancreatic Cancer research and help for patients.

Moved by Commissioner Wilkerson to adopt Proclamation 2012-P-06: Proclamation Recognizing November as Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month; seconded by Commissioner Piper. Motion received a unanimous vote.

Proclamation 2012-P-07: Proclamation Honoring Hubert L. Gooch, Jr.

Mayor Moss introduced Proclamation 2012-P-07 honoring retiring Granville County Commissioner Hubert L. Gooch, Jr.

Moved by Commissioner Stallings to adopt Proclamation 2012-P-07: Proclamation Honoring Hubert L. Gooch, Jr.; seconded by Commissioner Robinson. Motion received a unanimous vote.

Proclamation 2012-P-08: Proclamation Declaring November National Home Care and Hospice Month

Mayor Moss reported on his signing of the Hospice proclamation.

Moved by Commissioner Stallings to support Proclamation 2012-P-08: National Home Care and Hospice Month; seconded by Commissioner Minor. Motion received a unanimous vote.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING

Mayor Moss reflected that years ago the City was looking at over 2M in Federal fines for bookkeeping errors and omissions. The Mayor reported that thanks to the efforts of Tom Mercer, Bill Tate and Korena Weichel, the City is on more solid ground in its financial reporting. Finance Director Ren Wiles has continued to keep the City in compliance since that time and was presented with a plaque signifying the City's award of Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. The plaque was presented by Mayor Moss and Finance Committee Chair Larry Robinson.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Tom Mercer reported on the following:

1. USDA Water/Sewer Projects Update

Work is being concentrated on identification and repair of gravity sewer lines. A final punch list is being compiled and Commissioners were asked to report any project areas they observe needing repair and/or cleanup to Robin Reif.

An analysis and inventory of the new water tank is being conducted and the remaining railing work is to be done by Southern Corrosion in order to maintain the current warranty.

Mayor Moss asked if the old tank was to remain to which Mr. Mercer stated it would for at least another year if not longer. It is being kept up for antennae use or may remain for use of both tanks. City Attorney Tom Currin remarked that there have been no complaints of regarding cell phone reception since the new tank was completed and antennae have not been moved from the old tank.

- ### **2. CMAQ I Project** Economic Development and Transportation Projects Manager Scottie Wilkins reported that the primary base bid is almost complete. Currently paving markings are being painted at cross-walks and various punch list items are being addressed. The first change order was approved and final paperwork signed which will be submitted to DOT for processing. Kayser-Roth is to be added after the base bid as was advised early on in the project. Funds are available and NC-DOT has given verbal approval to proceed. Of the \$680,000, \$544,000 is NC DOT's portion of the total and \$136,000 is Creedmoor's. It was agreed that this is a great investment for the City and the completion goal is the end of December. Crosswalk signals are a pursuable expense if deemed necessary.

Ms. Wilkins reported that the speed limit from Mt. Energy Elementary heading west approaching city limits up to the car wash is posted at 45 mph and should be 35 mph. The City is working with NC DOT to get that changed.

Mayor Moss remarked that 2 out of the 7 homeowners associations in Creedmoor have contacted him regarding getting sidewalks to their communities.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2012-R-14: USDA Bond Issuance

Commissioner Robinson introduced Resolution 2012-R-14: USDA Bond Issuance or, as was read by Mayor Moss, a *Series Resolution Providing for the Issuance of a \$4,965,000 Water and Sanitary Sewer System Revenue Bond, Series 2012*. Moved by Commissioner Robinson to adopt Resolution 2012-R-14: USDA Bond Issuance; seconded by Commissioner Minor. Motion received a unanimous vote.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Moss called on Tony Santangelo to provide the Environmental Affairs Committee report. Responding to an earlier question from Commissioner Wilkerson, Mr. Santangelo reported that the company Pallet One takes all pallets, pays for the type they can use and disposes of the ones they cannot use in an environmentally conscious manner. Mr. Santangelo also reported that the landfill tank will not be put in until March due to the recent hurricane delaying its overseas delivery.

Mr. Santangelo reported that the EAC recently redefined their mission and will be appointing someone to attend and report to Granville County Commissioner's meetings. Mr. Santangelo added that the environment deserves more attention than it is receiving.

Also reported was that the State was impressed after conducting a County-wide Falls Lake septic survey. After doing 200 inspections, only 5 sites were questionable (none failed). Report to be obtained.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS**Commissioner Robinson**

None

Commissioner Minor Commissioner Minor reported on his recent attendance at the Granville County Commissioner's meeting. Commissioner Minor reported that the County has refinanced bonds at a rate of 1.7%. Also reported were Ed Smoat and Lonnie Cole's appointments to be representatives to SGWASA.

Commissioner Wilkerson

None

Mayor Pro-Tem Stallings

When asked by Mayor Pro Tem Stallings, City Attorney Tom Currin reported that pictures taken by Building Code Administrator Steve Colenda show that the Pecan Street property is irreparable and is not a viable residence. The City has received a quote of \$4,400 for demo and \$400 for asbestos abatement if needed. Mr. Colenda stated that he did not see an indication of needing asbestos abatement with exception of possible shingle asbestos underneath all the visible layers. All issues have been resolved with the bank. The Board approved moving forward with the project and the donation is to be accepted and de-construction is to proceed.

Commissioner Piper

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, moved by Commissioner Wilkerson to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Piper. The motion received a unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. .

ATTEST:


Robin E. Reif, Deputy City Clerk




Darryl D. Moss, Mayor