

MINUTES OF THE WHITSETT TOWN COUNCIL
August 9, 2016
Whitsett Town Hall Building

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the Whitsett Town Council was held on Tuesday, August 9, 2016 at the Whitsett Town Hall. The following members of the Town Council were present: Mayor Richard Fennell, Mayor Pro Tem Andy Brown, Council Members Jerry Rice, Cindy Wheeler, and Lee Greeson.

Also present were, *The Alamance News* reporter Tomas Murawski, and three area residents. Absent were Town Administrator Gary Deal and Planning Board Chairman Bob Maccia.

Mayor Fennell called the meeting to order, and asked Council Member Jerry Rice to offer the invocation.

SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

Mayor Fennell asked for any speakers from the floor; and no one asked to be acknowledged.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Adoption of the Minutes

Mayor Fennell asked for any changes to the minutes from the July 12, 2016 regular monthly meeting; and hearing none, asked for a motion to adopt the minutes as written. A motion to adopt the minutes as written was made by Council Member Jerry Rice; motion seconded by Council Member Lee Greeson. The motion to adopt the July regular meeting minutes carried by unanimous vote.

2. Any Other Old Business

Mayor Fennell asked if there were any other old business to be discussed; there was none.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Planning Board

No July Planning Board meeting was held.

2. Enforcement Committee

3. Enforcement Officer

In the absence of Enforcement Officer Gary Deal, the Town Clerk reported that since last Council meeting, four Development Clearance Permit Certificates had been issued to: (1) contractor Gary Wright to install 40-gallon gas hot water heater at 7015 Burlington Road, (2) contractor Jerry Small of J&W Service, Inc., to run gas line from meter to house and connect gas pack at 6817 Kivette House Road, (3) contractor Jerry Small to run gas line from meter to house to connect gas furnace at 7038 Kivette House Road, and (4) land surveyor Donald Robinson on behalf of Paul Treadway to subdivide 4.19 acre lot at 7009 Dow Drive into two equivalent lots, whereby one would be purchased and slated for new construction contingent on Town approval.

4. Town Administrator

No report for administration.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Adopt Budget Ordinance Amendment to Close Out FY 2015-2016

Council members were sent in their packets the proposed end-of-year budget ordinance amendment for shifting of funds from one or more accounts to another in order to cover expenses that exceeded the allocations adopted in June 2015. Minimal transfers totaling \$1,450 were required for the budget year that ended June 30, 2016. The budget ordinance amendment is the final document requiring action for the annual financial audit to commence.

Mayor Fennell asked Council Members for any discussion; and with none necessary, asked for a motion to adopt the budget ordinance amendment. Council Member/Finance Officer Jerry Rice made a motion to adopt the amendment as presented; motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Andy Brown. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

2. Any Items from Council Members

Mayor Fennell asked for any items from Council members; and Mayor Pro Tem Andy Brown asked about the status of the ball field use by the Church League since unkempt and untreated field conditions have prolonged. The Town Clerk reported that shortly after July’s Council meeting, Town Administrator Deal had had a lengthy face-to-face conversation with the League Director conveying Council’s concerns about the League living up to the terms of the contract; and stressed the importance of the League Director’s immediate communication with the Town on expectancy of field maintenance, game schedules, and electricity payments.

3. Announcements

Mayor Fennell asked for any announcements and no one had any.

3. Speakers from the Floor

Mayor Fennell asked for any speakers from the floor; and no one asked to be acknowledged.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Council, Mayor Fennell invited a motion to adjourn. Council Member Jerry Rice made the motion to adjourn; motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Andy Brown. Motion passed by unanimous vote; and the August 9, 2016 Town Council meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:07 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Whitsett Town Council is scheduled for 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at the Whitsett Town Hall.

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Jo Hesson, Town Clerk

Richard Fennell, Mayor

APPROVED: September 13, 2016