## Town of Boonville November 4, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes Harvey E. Smith Municipal Building

The following were in attendance at the 11/4 regular meeting: Mayor Rusty Hunter, Commissioners Bill Florence, Bonnie Lasky, William Paul Baity, and Gerald Brown. Also in attendance were Police Chief Greg Gibson, Finance Officer/Town Clerk Kim Wells, Public Works Director Jeff Jones, and Zoning Officer Tony Roberts. Commissioner Tony Reece was absent.

- I. Call to Order and Welcome: Mayor Hunter called the 11/4 meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Conflict of Interest Issues and Approval of Agenda: Mayor Hunter asked the Board to consider adding the following items to the agenda under section V Town Business: B Library Repair Proposal, C 601 North Proposal, D YVEDDI Well Proposal. Commissioner Lasky motioned to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Baity seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
- III. Adoption of minutes 10/7/14 regular session: Commissioner Baity motioned to adopt the minutes of 10/7/14. Commissioner Lasky seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
- IV. Public Comments: Tony Roberts, 118 Wallace St., informed the Board that the light at the kiosk appeared to be damaged by recent winds. Discussion followed with the consensus being the kiosk belonged to Rusty Crissman.

## V. Town Business:

- A. **BBDDA request for Economic Development Funds**: Mayor Hunter reviewed a letter he had received from Tom Bastable, BBDDA President. He stated the organization had requested \$4,100 of the \$5,000 budgeted in Economic Development for the Boonville Christmas event, upcoming facade grants, and beautification of the town. Discussion followed on the prior use of these funds. Commissioner Lasky motioned to approve the request of \$4,100. Commissioner Baity seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
- B. **Library Repair Proposal:** Mayor Hunter reviewed a proposal from Wilson and Covington Construction Company on the repairs to the library building. Discussion followed. The Board members requested additional quotes and tabled the discussion until the next meeting.
- C. US 601 North Proposal: Public Works Director Jones updated the Board members on the US 601 North project from the October meeting. He reviewed a proposal that he had received from RW Eagle Construction Company, Inc., the DOT contractor in charge of the US 601 North paving project. Mr. Jones stated that the issue was not corrected during the paving process because the paving/sidewalk replacement project was over budget. He informed the Board members that the company was willing to complete the project if the town purchased the pipe at an approximate cost of \$6,000. Mr. Jones stated there were Powell Bill funds available for the project. Commissioner Brown stated that in his opinion, he felt that the contractor had made a mistake, and that the town needed to resolve it. Discussion followed on other Powell Bill projects. Public Works Director Jones stated that Powell Bill funds still be available for the Academy Drive project this fiscal year. Commissioner Brown motioned to fund this project out of Powell Bill funds. Commissioner Florence seconded. The motion passed with a 3-1 vote, with Commissioner Baity voting against the motion.
- D. YVEDDI Proposal for Well: Mayor Hunter updated the Board members on his latest conversation with YVEDDI Executive Director, Kathy Payne about the well. He informed her that the Board members were not in favor of purchasing water from YVEDDI. In a revised proposal, YVEDDI would give the well to the Town of Boonville and split the cost of the well rehabilitation at an approximate to cost to the Town of \$3,500. In return, YVEDDI would receive water at no cost. Because the Town of Boonville currently has an excess of water, Public Works Director Jones is concerned that the town could not currently use the water. The Board members

discussed the cost of maintaining the well. It was the consensus of the Board members not to pursue the YVEDDI well.

## VI. Reports and announcements:

- A. Mayor's report: Mayor Hunter had no significant items to report.
- B. Finance Officer's report: Finance Officer Wells reported that the auditors from Cannon & Company had visited the Town for the fiscal year 2014 audit. They have a draft copy of the audit, and it has been submitted to the LGC for approval. Ms. Wells informed the Board that the representative from Cannon & Company would be at the December meeting to present the audit. She stated that she had received the PDF version of the Code of Ordinances and was sending it to West Depot Creative so it could be added to the Town's website.
- C. Public Works Director's report: Public Works Director Jones requested permission from the Board members to surplus some equipment: two riding lawn mowers and the F150 truck. The majority of the Board members were in favor of keeping the F150 as a backup vehicle. Mayor Hunter and Finance Officer/Town Clerk Wells stated they would work on the resolution needed to surplus this equipment.
- **D.** Police Chief's report: Police Chief Gibson reported that the officers had finished their required firearms training. He stated they had picked up the new police car and delivered it to the company for the equipment to be added. He informed the Board members that Halloween was observed safely.
- E. Zoning Officer's report: Zoning Officer Roberts reported that he had issued a few permits.
- F. Departmental Commissioner's Reports: Commissioner Florence reported that the Howard Street Pump Station project was completed. Mayor Hunter announced that the ribbon cutting for the Yadkin Memorial Park and Lake Hampton would be held on November 22 at 2:00 p.m. There will be a future ribbon-cutting ceremony at Shore Access in Boonville. Commissioner Lasky asked if anyone had attended the reopening event at Wesley Hollows Apartments. The Board members indicated that no Town representative was available to attend.
- G. Committee reports as needed: Tommy Jester, BBDDA, thanked the Board members for the contribution to the BBDDA. A member of the Boonville Fire Department asked if the Town had ever adopted a resolution to honor the veterans. The Board members were not aware of any previous resolution but will consider one next year to honor veterans.

VII. Adjourn: Commissioner Lasky motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Florence seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 7:35 p.m.

Russell (Rusty) Hunter, IV, Mayor

Kim Wells, Finance Officer/Town Clerk