

Town of Boonville
December 2, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes
Harvey E. Smith Municipal Building

The following were in attendance at the 12/2 regular meeting: Mayor Rusty Hunter, Commissioners Bill Florence, Bonnie Lasky, William Paul Baity, Tony Reece, and Gerald Brown. Also in attendance were Police Chief Greg Gibson, Finance Officer/Town Clerk Kim Wells, and Public Works Director Jeff Jones. Zoning Officer Tony Roberts was absent.

- I. Call to Order and Welcome:** Mayor Hunter called the 12/2 meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Conflict of Interest Issues and Approval of Agenda:** Commissioner Lasky motioned to approve the agenda. Commissioner Reece seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
- III. Adoption of minutes – 11/4/14 regular session:** Commissioner Lasky motioned to adopt the regular session minutes of 11/4/14. Commissioner Baity seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
- IV. Public Comments:** Joel Cleary, 432 Lon Ave., stated concerns about his damaged private property, illegal burning of items at the town garage, speeding in town owned vehicles/equipment and personal vehicles on Lon Ave. He stated there were trees removed from his property because an alleged right-of-way for the town sewer line runs through his property. Discussion followed on a conversation Mr. Cleary had with Mayor Hunter, where Mayor Hunter informed Mr. Cleary to address his issues with the Town Attorney. Mr. Cleary pointed out that due to parliamentary procedure he had the floor and was not to be interrupted. Mayor Hunter informed Mr. Cleary that the State of North Carolina had already addressed the illegal burning of material and asked Mr. Cleary to move on to another topic. Mr. Cleary advised the Board members that the issue had not been handled and continued. Mr. Cleary read a document he had prepared on the burning incident stating that the smell of the smoke was harmful to his family, and that his property was potentially in danger due to the open burning of the items. He read over a list of concerns and questions for the Board. Mr. Cleary showed photos of the smoke at a distance and multiple overhead photos of the burn pile. Mr. Cleary complained about town employees speeding on Lon Ave. He stated that he had made over 200 phones to Town Hall regarding the alleged offenses. He asked the Board members to consider installing speed bumps on Lon Ave. Mr. Cleary then showed photos of the trees he alleges had been removed from his property. Mr. Cleary demanded an immediate response to his concerns. Mayor Hunter informed Mr. Cleary that the Board members would not immediately address these concerns. Mr. Cleary then alleged there was noise pollution coming from the sewer plant. Mr. Cleary handed Commissioner Lasky multiple documents detailing his complaints.
- V. Town Business:**
 - A. Fiscal Year 2014 Audit by Canon & Company:** Mayor Hunter welcomed Mr. Craig Hopkins, Canon & Company partner. Mr. Hopkins reviewed the financial status of the town as of 6/30/2014 versus the revenues and expenses on 6/30/2013. Mr. Hopkins stated there were no findings in the fiscal audit, and that he had given the town an unqualified opinion, which means a clean audit. He thanked the Town for the opportunity to serve them and thanked the Town staff for the assistance they had given him with the audit.
 - B. Yadkin County Resolution opposing the proposed changes to the Clean Water Act of 2012:** Mayor Hunter reviewed a Yadkin County Resolution shared by the Yadkin County Commissioners requesting the Town of Boonville's support. Discussion followed. The consensus of the Board members was to inform Yadkin County that the Town of Boonville fully supports its resolution and plans to pass a similar resolution in January 2015.
- VI. Reports and announcements:**
 - A. Mayor's report:** Mayor Hunter had no significant items to report.
 - B. Finance Officer's report:** Finance Officer Wells had no significant items to report.
 - C. Public Works Director's report:** Public Works Director Jones reported that the Public Works Department had been repairing water leaks. He presented a quote for the library repairs from

Tom Herko Home Improvements. Mr. Jones stated the quote was for an estimate of \$2,600. Commissioner Lasky motioned to approve the bid from Tom Herko for up to \$3,000. Commissioner Baity seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

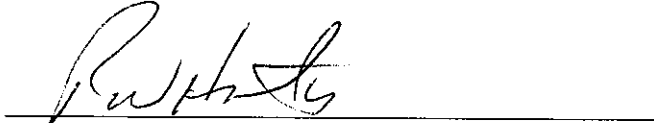
D. **Police Chief's report:** Police Chief Gibson reported that the Police Department was preparing for the Christmas parade.

E. **Zoning Officer's report:** No items reported.

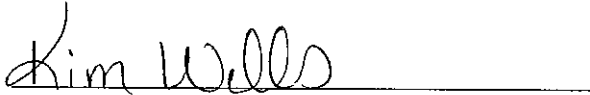
F. **Departmental Commissioner's Reports:** The commissioners had no significant items to report.

G. **Committee reports as needed:** Tom Bastable, BBDDA, reported on the upcoming Small Town Christmas events. He thanked the Public Works Department for installing the Christmas lights.

VII. Adjourn: Commissioner Lasky motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Florence seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 7:45 p.m.



Russell (Rusty) Hunter, IV, Mayor



Kim Wells, Finance Officer/Town Clerk