

**Town of Boonville**  
**October 7, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Harvey E. Smith Municipal Building**

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The following were in attendance at the 10/7 regular meeting: Mayor Rusty Hunter, Commissioners Bill Florence, Bonnie Lasky, William Paul Baity, Tony Reece and Gerald Brown. Also in attendance were Finance Officer/Town Clerk Kim Wells, Public Works Director Jeff Jones, and Zoning Officer Tony Roberts. Police Chief Greg Gibson was absent.

- I. Call to Order and Welcome:** Mayor Hunter called the 10/7 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 Baity seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
- III. Adoption of minutes – 9/2/14 regular session, 9/23/14 public hearing and recess, 9/25/14 public hearing and recess:** Commissioner Lasky motioned to approve the 9/2/14 regular session, 9/23/14 public hearing and recess, 9/25/14 public hearing and recess minutes. Commissioner Reece seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
- IV. Public Comments:** None were voiced.
- V. Town Business:**
  - A. Verina Wilson, Yadkin County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP):** Mayor Hunter welcomed Verina Wilson, Yadkin County CTP. Ms. Wilson presented the Board members with a draft of the Yadkin County CTP. She explained that the plan would serve as a blueprint for the future. It represents the community's consensus on a 25-30-year future transportation system. Ms. Wilson reviewed the portion of the plan that pertained to Boonville. She asked the Board members to consider adopting a resolution adopting the CTP. She stated it was necessary for each town to adopt the resolution before it could be adopted by NCDOT. The Board members reviewed over the resolution and asked questions. Commissioner Baity motioned to approve the Resolution Adopting the Yadkin County Comprehensive Transportation Plan for the Town of Boonville, North Carolina. Commissioner Reece seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
  - B. Discussion about YVEDDI well:** Mayor Hunter informed the Board members that he had received a letter from YVEDDI's Executive Director, Kathy Payne. In that letter, Ms. Payne asked if the Town of Boonville would be interested in purchasing water from YVEDDI. Mayor Hunter indicated he had spoken with Ms. Payne, and she informed him that the well had some issues. The Board members reviewed an 8/26/14 report from NCDENR, which was the well's last state inspection. The report stated the well had bio fouled static water, which was the result of iron bacteria in the well. The Board members discussed the current issues with the well and issues that occurred a few years ago when the children were not allowed to use the water. Mayor Hunter stated the well pump was producing 10 gallons per minute at the time of the state inspection and that Newman Brothers Plumbing stated the pump was capable of producing over 60 gallons per minute. The Board compared these figures to the Town's current wells. Public Works Director Jones stated he was concerned that the casing would need to be relined making it smaller than 6 inches. He stated this liner would not accommodate a pump the size the Town would need. Mr. Jones stated that the town would need an 8" casing. Consensus of the Board members was that they had no interest in the use of the YVEDDI well.
- VI. Reports and announcements:**
  - A. Mayor's report:** Mayor Hunter updated the Board members on the status of Town's grant applications. Boonville is not eligible for the High Unit Cost (HUC) grant because the Town's water and sewer rates are too low. Discussion followed on the calculation of the Town's MHI (Median Household Income) of 1.43 and the fact the MHI must be at least 1.5 to apply. Discussion followed on the income surveys and how the Town did not obtain enough surveys to show that our residents are in need.


- B. Finance Officer's report:** Finance Officer Wells reported that the Town had received its first tax payment check from Yadkin County. As of 8/31, the county had collected 65% of the 2014 taxes, which is a substantial increase from last year. Ms. Wells reported that Charles Scott reviewed the Town's annual financial reports. She expects the auditors from Cannon and Company will schedule soon. Finance Officer Wells reported the Town had received the first appropriation of Powell Bill Funds, which was \$19,783. She stated the anticipated total for the year is \$39,568 and that the Town would need to do a budget amendment next month to show these funds.
- C. Public Works Director's report:** Public Works Director Jones and Commissioner Brown asked the Board to consider paving Key Street. Mr. Jones stated the cost would be approximately \$20,000 and would include all of Key Street. He said the work by DOT would not affect the paving. Commissioner Brown motioned to contract for the paving of Key Street before winter. Commissioner Reece seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Public Works Director Jones reported that DOT needed to install a catch basin on the Southside of Key St. He stated that DOT wants the Town to contribute to the project. Discussion followed. The Board members directed Mr. Jones to follow-up with DOT on obtaining right-of-ways.

Public Works Director Jones and Commissioner Florence expressed a need for a 2" ditch witch mole. They stated it was necessary to bore under the road, especially in situations where DOT will not allow the town to cut into the road for water/sewer line repair. Discussion followed. Mr. Jones stated the equipment would pay for itself in approximately 2 years. He estimated the useful life of the mole at 7 years before needing to be rebuilt. Commissioner Baity motioned to purchase the ditch witch 2" mole with oiler and hose for \$4,147 from Consolidated Pipe to come out of Enterprise Capital Outlay. Commissioner Florence seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Finance Officer Wells verified the funds would come from the Water Department since most usage will be for water lines.

Public Works Director Jones informed the Board that he had ordered all the supplies to install the water line/hydrants on Howard for Brad Storie as approved in the budget. He reported that all the water line improvements behind D&J Galaxy were completed, except for paving. Mr. Jones reported that most of the work on Hayes and Grace was completed. For the Howard Street Project, Mr. Jones stated that the initial startup of the lift station upgrade had begun. He thanked the Fire Department for supplying a water truck for the startup. Mr. Jones reported there had been many water line breaks in Boonville recently. Commissioner Baity mentioned an issue on the sewer line on Baptist Church Rd. While fixing a water leak, they discovered that in the past a sewer line leak had been plugged by using an old glass milk jug. Public Works Director Jones stated that he had correctly repaired this section of sewer line.

- D. Police Chief's report:** Police Chief Gibson was on patrol covering a regular shift for an officer who was on vacation and was not available to attend the meeting.
- E. Zoning Officer's report:** Zoning Officer Roberts reported that the Boonville Baptist Church addition is moving slowly. He informed the Board members that he receives calls from people interested in the Thomas Fletcher property on E. Main St. Commissioner Florence questioned a sign in a yard on West Main Street. Zoning Officer Roberts reported that the homeowner obtained a permit for the sign, and that the sign meets the requirements in the Zoning Ordinance. Mr. Roberts stated they are not operating a business there, only storing a truck and chainsaw for the business.
- F. Departmental Commissioner's Reports:** Commissioner Lasky gave the Board a handout from the Yadkin Valley Heritage Corridor. She stated that she and Finance Officer Wells were working on website updates.
- G. Committee reports as needed:** Tom Bastable, President BBDDA, reported that the committee had started preparing of the December 6<sup>th</sup> twilight parade and tree lighting event.

**VII. Adjourn:** Commissioner Lasky motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Baity seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 7:54 p.m.



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Russell (Rusty) Hunter, IV, Mayor



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Kim Wells, Finance Officer/Town Clerk