

Fairview Town Council Meeting
July 9, 2012
7:00 p.m.

The following Council members were present: Mayor Elizabeth Long, Bradley Purser, Arnold Price, Jerry Clontz and B.B. Haigler.

Others present: Joe McCollum, Attorney; Darrell Baucom, Finance Officer and Ed Humphries, Land Use Administrator/Town Clerk

Agenda

Jerry Clontz stated that the Council needed to discuss where the center of town is located (under Council Comments). Bradley Purser made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. B.B. Haigler seconded the motion. Councilmen Haigler, Contz, Purser and Price voted yes (4-0).

Reports

Finance Officer Darrell Baucom gave the monthly financial report. Ed Humphries explained the zoning report. Humphries also explained that he and the finance officer were discussing the high cost of the town phone line (753-1981) which is with Frontier. Humphries stated that he had contacted the company, went over the bill and was able to lower the cost by \$100 per month. Humphries asked the Council if they would authorize the Mayor to sign a new three year contract.

Arnold Price made a motion to give the Mayor authority to sign a new three year contract with Frontier. B.B. Haigler seconded the motion. Councilmen Haigler, Purser, Clontz and Price voted yes (4-0).

Old Business

The Fire Suppression Contract with Fairview Fire and Rescue was discussed. Bradley Purser asked about the date the payment would be made each month. It was decided by the Council that the payment would be made by the 15th of each month.

Bradley Purser made a motion to approve the Fire Suppression Contract with Fairview Fire and Rescue with adding the payment date to #3 of the contract. Arnold Price seconded the motion. Councilmen Price Purser, Clontz and Haigler voted yes (4-0).

Discussion regarding development of town property

B.B. Haigler stated he had a price from Kemp Melton about clearing around the pond. The price was not to exceed \$6,000.

Jerry Clontz stated he had contacted the NC Forest Service about clearing around the pond. They will use the same machine as Kemp Melton uses and will do it for \$500 an acre. Jerry estimates six to nine acres or \$3,000 to \$4,500. Jerry also suggested that the Council obtain permission to clear a six foot section of the property line of adjacent property owners in case the town wanted to install a fence at some future time.

Mayor Long stated she had met with Jason Kiker of Kiker Resources who stated that it would not be practical to harvest any of the trees.

Jerry Clontz is to talk further with the NC Forest Service supervisors regarding the contract and stated a call meeting might be necessary to approve the contract.

The entrance to the property was discussed. Arnold Price stated he would like to see an easement with the Fire Department if the town uses any of their driveway or property to access the pond.

Joe McCullom will prepare an easement of 20 feet on the south side of the property to present to the Fire Department.

Jerry Clontz stated that the County would want to know where we thought the “*center of town*” was before sewer was provided to Fairview.

Arnold Price stated he thought the center should be the intersection of Highway 218 and Highway 601 (Concord Highway).

Jerry Clontz made a motion to designate the intersection of 218 and 601 as the “*center of town*” in Fairview. Bradley Purser seconded the motion. Councilmen Clontz, Price, Purser and Haigler voted yes (4-0).

Mayor Long stated she attended the “Monroe By-Pass Meeting”. The environmental study on the project was not approved by the court.

Mayor Long stated that the “By-Pass” delay should cause more attention to 218 and the replacement of the bridge. Mayor Long gave credit to Arnold Price for his TV appearance, talking about the bridge. Arnold Price stated he had a retired bridge inspector look at the bridge and he thought the bridge was safe for 38 tons (the weight limit on the bridge).

Arnold Price stated that the bridge may be safe but the traffic that uses the bridge causes a lot of concern, especially in the curve of the bridge and during winter months.

Mayor Long stated that the NCDOT’s last rating on the bridge was “poor”.

Mayor Long received an invitation from the Union County Chamber of Commerce to participate in a panel discussion regarding Union County. Mayor Long stated she had asked Bradley Purser to represent Fairview. Arnold Price made the motion to appoint Bradley Purser. B.B. Haigler seconded the motion. Councilmen Purser, Price, Clontz and Haigler voted yes (4-0).

Mayor Long discussed the “short line extension” policy with Union County Public Works concerning county water lines water. The policy state there is \$500,000 available per year; first come, first served.

Minutes

B.B. Haigler made a motion to approve the minutes (outline-written by Bradley Purser) of the May 22, 2012 meeting with the Fire Department. Jerry Clontz seconded the motion. Councilmen Purser, Clontz, Haigler and Price voted yes (4-0).

Arnold Price made a motion to approve the June 11, 2012 minutes with corrections. B.B. Haigler seconded the motion. Councilmen Haigler, Purser, Price and Clontz voted yes (4-0).

Mayor Long indicated after a short break, the Council would go into Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Long reopened the Regular Meeting.

B.B. Haigler made a motion to adjourn. Jerry Clontz seconded the motion. Councilmen Purser, Price, Clontz and Haigler voted yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Humphries
Town Clerk

Elizabeth Long
Mayor

Approved this 13th day of Aug., 2012.