

**Town of Fairview
Regular Meeting
June 9, 2014**

The following Council members were present: Mayor Elizabeth Long, Bradley Purser, Jerry Clontz and Arnold Price. John Biggers was not present.

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

Agenda Changes

Jerry Clontz stated he would like to discuss acquiring the old Fairview school property. This will be F. under Items of Business.

Mayor Long stated she would like to discuss the April 14 and April 28 meeting minutes.

Jerry Clontz made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Arnold Price seconded the motion. Councilmen Price, Clontz and Purser voted yes (3-0).

Public Comments

Mary Lou Starnes addressed the Council, stating that the Town should set fines under the Noise Ordinance. She stated that Scoggins Farms held an event that was in violation of the noise ordinance. Ms. Starnes also requested in writing:

- Why is Scoggins Farms allowed to have entertainment events on the RA-40 zoned property?
- Did Mr. Scoggins apply for a Special Event Permit?
- If not, why?

Debra Votta with Generations United, Inc., gave a presentation on her new business. The business is a non-profit adult and child day care center which when fully staffed will employ 40 people. Ms. Votta is asking the Town to contribute to the operation costs.

Reports

Darrell Baucom gave the financial report.

Ed Humphries gave the Zoning Permit and Tax collection reports.

Jerry Clontz gave the Fire Department report, stating:

- That the committee met with contractors
- They are talking to USDA and Yadkin Bank regarding loan amounts and payments

- The committee would like to know how much money is available and then ask a contractor to show what that amount would build.

Tony Helms gave the Economic Development report, stating that the committee's new chair is Hunter Dalton and the new vice chair is John Henley. Helms stated that Union County is concerned about losing companies to South Carolina due to incentives.

Jerry Clontz gave the Park and Recreation report, stating that the town should hear back on the PARTF Grant for the park by the middle of July, 2014. Clontz stated he was having trouble obtaining bids to clean out the pond. Clontz received two bids for spraying the park:

- Garcia - \$1,450.00
- Clontz - \$2,250.00

There was no action taken

Clontz stated he will be attending a Park and Recreation training program June 25, 2014, in Waxhaw.

Items of Business

a. Water lines in Fairview

Jerry Clontz stated his desire to help people obtain water in Fairview. Clontz would like to develop a program for assisting senior citizens and people who could not afford the expense of water lines.

Mayor Long stated the Town could also help with tap fees.

The approximate cost of extending water lines is approx \$35/foot.

Clontz asked the Council to think about this and if the Town decided to do something, a budget amendment could be done in the next budget.

b. Public Hearing on Proposed budget for 2014-2015

Mayor Long opened the Public Hearing.

Darrell Baucom explained the proposed budget (Exhibit A).

Phil Thomas spoke in favor of the budget.

Darrell Baucom explained obtaining "Cyber Insurance" for \$1,000 a year. Discussion followed but no action taken.

Mayor Long suggested that the Council could not take a salary, freeing up that money to help the tax payers.

Jerry Clontz stated that he appreciated the money as it offset his expenses doing the towns business.

Bradley Purser stated that we should leave “as is” for now.

Mayor Long closed the Budget Public Hearing.

Carol Gordon asked if she could ask questions regarding the budget. She stated that the budget showed totals but not details.

At that point, Darrell Baucom went over the line items and explained what each amount was used for with Ms. Gordon.

Ms. Gordon also asked about putting the audio of the meetings on the website.

Mayor Long suggested talking to Phil Thomas, who Chairs our Social Media Committee, which is reviewing the website for possible improvements.

c. Approve Budget Ordinance (2014-2015)

Bradley Purser made a motion to approve the 2014-15 Proposed Budget and indicated that there was no tax increase. Arnold Price seconded the motion. Councilmen Clontz, Price and Purser voted yes (3-0). (Exhibit – A)

d. Approve Budget Amendments for 2013-14 Budget

Arnold Price made a motion to approve the 2013-14 Budget Amendments (see Exhibit B). Jerry Clontz seconded the motion. Councilmen Clontz, Purser and Price voted yes (3-0). (Exhibit B)

e. Regulatory Technical Assistance Fund

Mayor Long stated that she had received a request from the League of Municipalities to help fund the Regulatory Technical Assistance Fund. The suggested contribution is \$60.18

Bradley Purser made a motion to fund the request for \$60.18 from the League for the Regulatory Technical Assistance Fund. Jerry Clontz seconded the motion. Councilmen Purser and Clontz voted yes. Councilman Price voted no. The motion passed (2-1).

f. Purchase of Property

Jerry Clontz stated that now may be a good time to go on record that the Town would be interested in acquiring the “Old Fairview School” property. At the time, Phil Thomas stated that he had been talking to Rick Pigg, who is a member of the School Board, about acquiring the property. Mr. Pigg stated that the Board wanted to build a warehouse in Monroe, but it was about five years down the road.

Jerry Clontz made a motion asking the Council to allow he and Mr. Phil Thomas to further investigate acquiring the school property. Arnold Price seconded the motion. Councilmen Clontz, Purser and Price voted yes.

Council Comments

Bradley Purser would like to see a list of all the requested funding and have the Council discuss at the July 2014 meeting.

Mayor Long asked questions regarding the fire proof file cabinet in the office. Ed Humphries is to provide Mayor Long with a key. Mayor Long stated that the Mayor Pro-Tem should have all the keys that she has.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Long wanted to discuss the approved minutes of April 28, 2014.

Bradley Purser asked that it be brought back to the Council due to the fact that there were no copies of that meeting in the packet.

Jerry Clontz made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 12 meeting, as corrected. Arnold Price seconded the motion. Councilmen Clontz, Price and Purser voted yes (3-0).

Jerry Clontz made a motion to approve and “Open to the Public” the following Closed Minutes:

July 8, 2013
April 8, 2013
November 12, 2012
September 10, 2012

Bradley Purser seconded the motion. Councilmen Purser, Price and Clontz voted yes (3-0).

Bradley Purser made a motion to approve and **not open** to the public the following Closed Minutes:

April 9, 2012
August 13, 2012

Jerry Clontz made a motion to adjourn. Bradley Purser seconded the motion. Councilmen Purser, Price and Clontz voted yes (3-0).

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Respectfully submitted,

Ed Humphries
Town Clerk

Elizabeth Long
Mayor

Approved this 11 th day of Aug, 2014.