

Date: March 4, 2010

Meeting of: Locust City Council

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Place: Locust City Hall

Members Present: Scott Efird, David Walker, Larry Baucom, Joe Bishop, J.C. Burris, and Joel Huneycutt.

Members Absent: Wilson Barbee, and Michael Hinson

Order: Mayor Efird called the Public Hearing to discuss the government center to order at 7:30pm

Public Hearing to discuss the Government Center.

James Inman explained this will be the last public hearing for information regarding the government center.

Harold Greene spoke in favor.

Public Hearing ended at 7:32 pm

Order: Mayor Efird called the Public Hearing to discuss the Consumption of Alcohol in the park by special permit Ordinance #100211 to order at 7:32pm

Public Hearing to discuss Consumption of Alcohol in the Park Ordinance #100211.

James Inman explained the ordinance.

Judy Godwin spoke against.

Harold Greene spoke in favor.

Public Hearing ended at 7:34 pm

Order: Mayor Efird called the Public Hearing to discuss the USDA Funding for the government center to order at 7:34pm

Public Hearing to discuss the USDA Funding.

James Inman explained the USDA funding.

No one spoke.

Public Hearing ended at 7:36pm

Order: Mayor Efird called the meeting to order at 7:36 pm

Pledge: Mayor Efird

Prayer: Mayor Efird

M/S/A Council Members David Walker and Larry Baucom. **(5-0)**
Motion to excuse Mike Hinson and Wilson Barbee from the meeting for medical reasons.

M/S/A Council Members David Walker and Joe Bishop. (5-0)
Motion to adopt agenda.

M/S/A Council Members David Walker and Joe Bishop. (5-0)
Motion to adopt minutes from February 11 and 25, 2010 meetings, dropping comments during the public hearing. We do not want verbatim minutes.

Financial Reports accepted as presented.

James Inman announced our revenue is on target for where we need to be. David Walker asked about Public Works and Waste Water line items, these are over due to overtime with storms, street maintenance.

Mayors report:

Mayor was proud to swear in the Police Chief Frank Hartsell. Commends the Police Department on work they are doing regarding the bank robbery and working in the weather when the power lines were down in front of wal-mart.

M/S/A Council Members David Walker and Larry Baucom. (5-0)
Motion to approve the following purchase orders:

Kevin Chaney – website for Locust Museum - \$471.40

CK Erhardt - \$10,228.60 – repairs to Carol St., Church St, Maple St, Old Hickory, Redah Ave, and Christy Lane

Ross Furr Homes – \$415 – park repair

Desco - \$716.13 – Repair wire for park lights.

Ferguson - \$1450 – Waste Water check valve

Bionomic Services - \$700 – Emergency waste water clean up

Sunbelt rentals - \$2001.58 – repair vacuum line

NCLM - \$1144 – deductibles for lawsuits

M/S/A Council Members David Walker and Joe Bishop. (5-0)
Motion to adopt ABC Resolution.

M/S/D Council Members Larry Baucom and David Walker. (2-3)
Motion to adopt ordinance #100211 to permit the use and consumption of alcohol in the park. Denied, JC Burriss, Joel Huneycutt and Larry Baucom opposed.

M/S/A Council Members Larry Baucom and David Walker. (5-0)
Motion to adopt ordinance #100211 to permit the use and consumption of alcohol in the park. The Administrator is restricted to allow wine only.

M/S/A Council Members Larry Baucom and Joel Huneycutt. (5-0)
Motion to advertise for bids on government center.

M/S/A Council Members David Walker and Joe Bishop. (5-0)
Motion to adopt capital improvement project ordinance in the amount of \$2,175,500 for the government center.

M/S/A Council Members Larry Baucom and Joe Bishop. (5-0)
Motion to agree to allow NCDOT to maintain traffic signals at a cost of \$3000 per year on Redbridge BLVD and Wal-Mart Driveway.

James read an article from the Charlotte News and Observer regarding the City of Locust. Article dated 2/27/10

M/S/A Council Members David Walker and Joe Bishop. (5-0)
Motion to set public hearing for Interim Bank Financing for the government center for April 1, 2010 7:00pm.

Park and Recreation Director deadline for applications is March 15, 2010.

Joe Bishop showed the plans for the banner structure, no motion needed comments only before Mandy sends it out to bid.

David Walker appreciates the hard work of the police department.

Murphy Oil just accepted bids will be starting construction in April.

Public Comment period:

Judy Godwin spoke regarding basketball uniforms, asked for better uniforms next year.

Board Comments:

James Inman reviewed the board retreat agenda.

Mayor Efird asks for continued prayer for Wilson and Mike as well as Joel. Thanks Police department for hard work.

Recess meeting at 8:22pm to Stanly Community College – Crutchfield Campus at 6:30pm Friday March 5, 2010.

Date: March 5, 2010

Meeting of: Locust City Council

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Stanly Community College – Crutchfield Campus

Members Present: Scott Efird, David Walker, Larry Baucom, Joe Bishop, J.C. Burris, and Joel Huneycutt.

Members Absent: Wilson Barbee, and Michael Hinson

Order: Mayor Efird called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm

James reviewed the agenda, explained to council we are still on line-item budgeting, not performance – we are working towards that.

James introduced Dr. Russ Sharples as our facilitator.

Andy Lovingood from McGill & Associates made a presentation for waste water. Doug Chapman from McGill & Associates spoke regarding waste water master plan.

Andy explains waste water enterprise fund. McGill & Associates will give a waste water rate proposal to the city council in the April meeting.

Doug reviewed sewer system standards and procedures.

Recess at 9:30 pm until 8:00 am Saturday March 6, 2010.

Date: March 6, 2010
Meeting of: Locust City Council
Time: 8:00 a.m.
Place: Stanly Community College – Crutchfield Campus
Members Present: Scott Efird, David Walker, Larry Baucom, Joe Bishop, J.C. Burris, and Joel Huneycutt.
Members Absent: Wilson Barbee, and Michael Hinson
Order: Mayor Efird called the meeting to order at 8:00a.m.

Goals of Retreat
Dr. Russ Sharples facilitated for the council.
Priorities for 2010-2011 established – budgeted
Project revenues for 2010-2011
Long/short range planning
Council informed of how departments function

Break 8:55am-9:05am

Police Chief Frank Hartsell gave presentation and listed his goals.
Hire investigator
70% of open cases closed
Increase revenues
Upgrade in-car cameras – help with citizen complaints & in court cases. (Needs cameras for: safety, citizen complaints and GPS, cost is \$4800-\$5000 for each installed. When cars pull up to office – cameras will automatically download into computer server. Line of sight is 1900 ft. mounted on rear-view mirror.)
More aggressive drug enforcement
Gang investigation & prevention

Tim Flieger gave presentation for Public Works Department and listed goals.
Currently there are no standard operating procedures for street department, working on for council to approve.
Need something more for de-icing, currently using seed spreader.
Adopt a street, working on spring clean up with state program.
Need to get aggressive with littering and write more citations.

WW Needs

Trailer jet sewer cleaner – currently paying contractor
Pump truck
Trailer to haul equipment
Add one employee as ORC
Please approve standard operating procedures.
Capital Improvement Program

Ground penetrating radar to locate lines and risers
Find a way to generate revenue
Building & ground needs

Community center
Establish athletic facility
Top dress fields
Skid steer with attachments
Decorative trash cans throughout city

Street needs

Resurfacing – Tanglewood, North Beverly, Pine Forest
Salt Spreader
Plow
2 ton dump truck
Street standard operating procedures

Mandy Vari made presentation for Planning Department and list of needs.

GIS Software
Land Use Plan
Conferences/workshops/continuing education

Michael Rupp gave presentation for finance department and list of goals.

Paperless financials, will still receive one page summary
Quarterly debt report
Purchase orders – David would like to see ahead of time.

Tim Flieger gave presentation for Parks & Recreation Department and list of needs.

Staff
Maintenance – 1 full-time
Bleachers
Athletic benches
Skid steer
Top dressing fields
Continue aggressive fertilization/weed control

Tim Fesperman gave presentation for the administration.

List of goals from city council for the 2010-2011 budget year

FTE – Public works and parks - \$30,000
Trailer jet, jumping jack, mini excavator - \$21,500
Top dressing - \$30,000
Cameras – 3 @ \$5,000 each
2 ton dump truck
GIS - \$3,500
Sewer jet -\$18,000
Land use plan - \$1200
Continuing education - \$1200
Smaller welder

M/S/A Council Members Joel Huneycutt and Larry Baucom. **(5-0)**
Motion to adjourn at 3:24 pm

Mayor Scott Efir

Lora L Flieger, City Clerk
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