

**Date:** May 8, 2014  
**Meeting of:** Locust City Council  
**Time:** 7:30 pm  
**Members Present:** Michael Hinson, Harry Fletcher, Larry Baucom, JC Burris, Michael Haigler and Roger Hypes  
**Members Absent:** David Walker  
**Order:** Mayor Huber  
**Pledge:** Mayor Huber  
**Prayer:** Mayor Huber

**1<sup>ST</sup> PUBLIC HEARNING FOR THE 2014-2015 BUDGET** – No one spoke for or against

**Call to order at 7:31 pm**

**M/S/A** Council Members Michael Hinson and JC Burris **(6-0)**  
**Motion to excuse Council Member David Walker**

**M/S/A** Council Members Larry Baucom and Roger Hypes **(6-0)**  
**Motion to adopt agenda**

**M/S/A** Council Members Michael Hinson and Roger Hypes **(6-0)**  
**Motion to approve April minutes**

**Financial Reports accepted**

**Mayor's Report** – Congrats to Scott Efird on winning the County Commissioner's seat for our district. Several new businesses have opened in the City. Whitley's General Store will have their grand re-opening on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Administrator's Report** – City Administrator Tim Fesperman Went over the proposed 2014-2015 budget. The #1 challenge this year was the rising cost in health insurance and how to

prevent such an impact on the City and the employees. There is no property tax increase for the 15<sup>th</sup> year in a row. Budget amendments were reviewed and explained.

**M/S/A** Council Members Larry Baucom and Harry Fletcher **(6-0)**  
**Motion to approve the following purchase orders**

<b>RF Landscape</b>	<b>\$390</b>	<b>011-005-06000-56120</b>
<b>Airvac</b>	<b>\$678</b>	<b>061-005-07400-53100</b>
<b>Rowell's</b>	<b>\$2429</b>	<b>011-005-06000-53114</b>
<b>Rowell's</b>	<b>\$1510</b>	<b>011-005-06000-53114</b>
<b>West Stanly Electric</b>	<b>\$1370</b>	<b>011-005-04200-54260</b>
<b>Ferguson</b>	<b>\$1198</b>	<b>011-005-06000-55501</b>
<b>Rowell's</b>	<b>\$5438</b>	<b>011-005-06000-53114</b>
<b>RF Landscape</b>	<b>\$531</b>	<b>011-005-06000-53113</b>
<b>Hammond Elec</b>	<b>\$453</b>	<b>061-005-07400-54101</b>
<b>Carolina Glass</b>	<b>\$645</b>	<b>011-005-04200-54260</b>

**Purchase of 2014 Dodge Charger and Equipment not to exceed \$31,250**  
**Purchase of Police SUV Interceptor and Equipment not to exceed \$35,000**

**M/S/A** Council Members Michael Haigler and Harry Fletcher **(6-0)**  
**Motion to approve all GF, WW, and Capitol Project budget amendments**

**Parks** – The first summer concert and movie night were a huge hit. The main line at the park was busted and had to be repaired. Next concert is May 17<sup>th</sup> and movie is May 31<sup>st</sup>. The Parks department is partnering with Hospice of Stanly County to do an Outdoor Expo September 20<sup>th</sup> to coincide with our summer concert series finale and fireworks night. Farmers Market is open every Thursday during the summer from 12-6 across from Locust Elementary School.

**PW** – May 12<sup>th</sup> will be a white goods pick-up. Kings Heights sewer project is complete and citizens can hook up at any time. The flow meter has been calibrated and we are awaiting the results.

**Zoning/ABC** – The sidewalks along 200N are coming along nicely. ABC store sales continue to rise. SECU have cleared all inspections and should be open in a few weeks.

**PD** – May 11-17<sup>th</sup> is National Police Week. Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup> is the Memorial at the Officer Jeff Shelton Park and Thursday the 25<sup>th</sup> is the Thin Blue Line Silent Auction at Il Bella Gardens in Albemarle.

**Economic Dev/Code Enforcement** – Business of the month coming soon hopefully by next meeting.

**Senior Services** – Senior Center continues to grow. They’ve added extra activities and another day to their calendar. They are now open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

**Public Comment Period** – Wendy Taylor from Kings Drive, Locust came back again this month to praise the City on keeping their promise about the restoration of the roads in the Kings Heights neighborhood. They look great.

**M/S/A** Council Members Harry Fletcher and Michael Haigler **(6-0)**  
**Motion to go into Executive Session GS: 143-318.11 at 8:20pm Personnel and Contractual**

**Out of Executive Session at 8:46pm**

**M/S/A** Council Members Harry Fletcher and Roger Hypes **(6-0)**  
**Motion to adjourn at 8:52 pm**

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Stephen Huber, Mayor

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Amy Meachum, City Clerk