

**Date:** August 13, 2015  
**Meeting of:** Locust City Council  
**Time:** 7:30 pm  
**Members Present:** Larry Baucom, Roger Hypes, Harry Fletcher, David Walker, and JC Burris  
**Members Absent:** Michael Haigler and Michael Hinson  
**Order:** Mayor Huber  
**Pledge:** Mayor Huber  
**Prayer:** Council Member Larry Baucom

**Call to order at 7:33 pm**

**M/S/A** Council Members Larry Baucom and Roger Hypes **(5-0)**  
**Motion to excuse Council Members Michael Haigler and Michael Hinson**

**M/S/A** Council Members Harry Fletcher and David Walker **(5-0)**  
**Motion to adopt agenda as amended**

**M/S/A** Council Members Larry Baucom and David Walker **(5-0)**  
**Motion to adopt July 2015 Minutes**

**Financials** – Financial reports accepted

**Mayor's Report** – Mayor Huber read a resolution supporting and participation in the Cabarrus Soil and Water Conservation. Concert this Saturday. The City is raffling off a golf cart to raise money for the construction of the Veterans Memorial. Mayor Huber gave the City's new Finance Director Stephania Morton her oath. Ribbon cutting for the proposed new apartments in Town Center will be Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am.

**M/S/A** Council Members David Walker and Roger Hypes **(5-0)**  
**Motion to adopt Cabarrus Soil and Water Conservation Resolution**

**Administrator's Report** – NCDOT has done a traffic study and are suggesting to raise the speed limit on Hwy 24/27 through town from 35mph to 45mph. Purchase orders were reviewed.

**M/S/A** Council Members Harry Fletcher and David Walker (5-0)  
**Motion to approve the following purchase orders**

<b>Hammond Electric</b>	<b>\$2344</b>	<b>061-005-07400-53100</b>	
<b>Carolina Green Corp</b>	<b>\$4400</b>	<b>011-005-06000-55502</b>	
<b>Sunbelt Rentals</b>	<b>\$1226</b>	<b>011-005-04400-53520</b>	<b>011-005-04500-54100</b>
<b>Beacon Athletics</b>	<b>\$2670</b>	<b>011-005-06000-53108</b>	
<b>BSN Sports</b>	<b>\$1200</b>	<b>011-005-06000-53114</b>	
<b>East Coast Pyrotechnics</b>	<b>\$5000</b>	<b>011-005-06000-53109</b>	
<b>Operator Safety Solutions</b>	<b>\$1500</b>	<b>011-005-04300-53104</b>	

**Admin/HR** – The removal of the duplicated section 4 of the personnel policy has completed and the staff was properly notified.

**Parks** – Started a new turf management program, farmers market is going great. The meals on wheels program that uses the community building every day to serve lunch have been complaining about the cleanliness when they come in after the building was rented the evening before. The Council asked City Administrator Tim Fesperman to bring some recommendation on a resolution.

**PW** – Thanks to department for all their hard work. Dr. Brenda Kays from SCC spoke on the Innovate NC Grant that she would like to apply for. It is a 2 year strategic planning opportunity for innovation in Stanly County, particularly Albemarle and Locust. The grant requires a \$15,000 pledge from the applicants and the County has pledged \$7,500 and the City of Albemarle pledged \$3,750 and they are asking the City of Locust to pledge the remaining \$3,750 to apply for the grant. There are lots of other towns and cities applying as well and we just want the opportunity to get our name in the hat.

**M/S/A** Council Members Larry Baucom and David Walker (5-0)  
**Motion to pledge, accept and sign the application for the Innovate NC Grant**

**Zoning/ABC** – ABC Stores sales continue to improve over sales last year. Demolition bids for 125 Jefferson Drive have come in and the lowest reasonable, responsive bid was Pat Davis, Davis Scrap Metal for \$4,500.

**M/S/A** Council Members David Walker and Roger Hypes (5-0)  
**Motion to award bid to Davis Scrap Metal**

**PD** – Thanks to all in Department. They continue to stay busy doing home & business checks.

**Economic Dev.** – N/A

**Senior Services/RPO** – Senior center is continuing to stay busy. They are looking at having a monthly potluck on the second Tuesday of every month and are still looking for volunteers. RPO will meet in September.

**Public Comment Period** – Kost Bosnakes, a Locust resident, spoke over a concern of the \$120 yearly solid waste fee. The Council explained to Mr. Bosnakes what all the fee included and the citizen was satisfied.

**Board Closing Comments** – Thanks to all staff for continued hard work. Thanks to Council for approving Innovate NC Grant. This could be a great opportunity.

**M/S/A** Council Members Harry Fletcher and David Walker (5-0)  
**Motion to adjourn at 9:10 pm**

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Stephen Huber, Mayor

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Amy Meachum, City Clerk