

Date: July 9, 2020
Meeting of: Locust City Council
Time: 7:00pm
Members Present: Mayor Stephen Huber, Mayor Pro Tem Larry Baucom, Mandy Watson, JC Burris, Michael Haigler, Harry Fletcher, Rusty Efird and Roger Hypes

Members Absent:

Order: Mayor Stephen Huber
Pledge: Mayor Stephen Huber
Prayer: Council Member Michael Haigler

PUBLIC HEARING: VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION 6760 NC HWY 24/27 E

No one spoke for or against

Call to order at 7:05am

M/S/A Council Members JC Burris and Larry Baucom **(7-0)**
Motion to adopt agenda

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Roger Hypes **(7-0)**
Motion to adopt June 2020 minutes

Financial Report – Final numbers for 2019-2020 should be finalized in the next week or so. Sales tax revenue is projected to be around \$79,000 for June 2020. After the audit is complete the General Fund is looking at about a \$500,000 surplus to be out into reserves. The Waste Water fund will be short about \$282,000 and will move the funds out of reserves to balance that deficit. State legislation has changed the laws regarding collection of the system development fees. They can no longer be collected upfront but rather when the permit is pulled for the structure.

Mayor's report – N/A

Administrator's report – No purchase orders to review. Budget amendments were reviewed. The YMCA has requested help from the City again this year for \$5,000 to help with the West Stanly Senior Center. The Stanly County Nutrition Site has asked the City to continue the annual support of use of the community building and donation of \$1,750. The same as in years past. The Boy Scouts have approached the City looking for an Eagle Scout project to be completed. The City has taken the suggestions from the Locust Elementary Robotics team for improvements to the City's dog park and proposed that for the

Eagle Scout project. The Boy Scouts have asked if the City would match any monies raised up to \$1,000 to help cover the cost of the project.

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Larry Baucom **(7-0)**
Motion to approve budget amendments

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Roger Hypes **(7-0)**
Motion to approve \$5,000 donation to YMCA for West Stanly Senior Center

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Roger Hypes **(7-0)**
Motion to approve donation of \$1,750 for Stanly County Nutrition Site

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Mandy Watson **(7-0)**
Motion to approve matching donation to Boy Scouts up to \$1,000

Admin/HR – N/A

Parks – Tennis lessons to begin. Fall sports registration is open. Playgrounds are still closed during phase 2. Ballfields are open for practices only. 8/1 Cinema Party. 8/15 Family Movie Night feat. Toy Story 3. Received a \$2,500 grant from Wal-Mart, looking for ways to keep kids engaged during this pandemic. Thinking about take home kits for arts and crafts.

Facilities – N/A

PW - Street lights on Market Street and Lions Club Drive are complete.

ABC – Store ended 2019-2020 with 2.7 million dollars in sales

PD/Zoning - Office of the Month was Officer Derek Yang, he is the newest in the department and is working hard. Voluntary annexation of 6760 NC Hwy 24/27 E. Public Hearing was earlier in the meeting. P&Z Board has a vacancy. Want to extend application submissions until end of August. Please get the word out.

M/S/A Council Members Michael Haigler and Roger Hypes **(7-0)**
Motion to approve voluntary annexation of 6760 NC Hwy 24/27E

EDC – Cup and Cone is open in Town Center and The Local Room is proposing an opening date of 9/5

Board Closing Comments: Thank you to all staff and departments. Get out and about and educate others on duties and responsibilities of P&Z Board Member and tell them about openings. Glad to see new faces at the meeting tonight. Hope everyone had a good and safe 4th of July. Thank you to local fire, police and first responders for their parade through neighborhoods.

M/S/A

Council Members Harry Fletcher and Larry Baucom

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Motion to adjourn at 8:03pm

Stephen Huber, Mayor

Amy Meachum, City Clerk