

TOWN OF SAWMILLS
MINUTES OF MEETING
APRIL 28, 1992
5:00 PM at TOWN HALL

All members were present as Mayor Bill Ramsey called the meeting to order. They were: Bill Ramsey, Max Andrews, Paul Pope, Larry Prestwood, Dennis Wilson, and Tim Sanders.

Invocation was given by Rev. Fred Hicks.

Dennis Wilson made a motion to adopt the agenda. Motion was seconded by Tim Sanders. All were in favor.

On a motion made by Tim Sanders, seconded by Max Andrews, council moved to approve the previous minutes.

Finance Officer, Max Andrews, made a motion to transfer \$27,618.34 from the water department and place it in the general funds account in order to show that the water department is pulling its share of the load. In bookkeeping in the past, labor, postage, fringe benefits, etc. had automatically been taken out of general funds. Paul Pope seconded, with all in favor.

The appointment of another Caldwell County Solid Waste representative for the Town of Sawmills was tabled until the next meeting.

On a motion made by Dennis Wilson, seconded by Larry Prestwood, council moved to proclaim the month of May as "Recycling Month," in the Town of Sawmills.

Bids opened on April 24, 1992 at 2:00 PM, at town hall are as follows:

TOWN OF SAWMILLS
GRADING FOR OPTIMIST PARK
SAWMILLS, NORTH CAROLINA

BID TABULATION

White Fox Construction Co., Inc. Granite Falls, North Carolina	\$ 66,120.00
Taylor Brothers construction Co., Inc. Lenoir, North Carolina	\$ 89,555.00

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Burke Grading & Paving, Inc. Drexel, North Carolina	\$107,080.00
Midway Grading Co., Inc. Hickory, North Carolina	\$108,845.00
Spainhour Brothers, Inc. King, North Carolina	\$109,568.00
Dillingham Construction Co., Inc. Asheville, North Carolina	\$112,206.00
Richardson Construction Co. Columbia, South Carolina	\$123,400.00
J. W. Tedder Construction, Inc. Ellenboro, North Carolina	\$135,000.00
Neill Grading & Construction Co., Inc. Hickory, North Carolina	\$186,462.00

On a motion made by Dennis Wilson, seconded by Larry Prestwood, council moved to award the bid to White Fox Construction Co. Inc., for the cost of \$66,120.00, subject to the approval of the insurance and bonds by the town's attorney, Terry Taylor and the town's engineer, Chester West.

Roger Hennessee with the Caldwell County Environmental Health Department gave the board a report concerning sanitation services. He related to the council that the county may hire an additional solid waste enforcement officer to enforce mobile home park ordinances, deal with solid waste problems and deal with environmental health complaints in the municipalities. Mr Hennessee informed the board that the county is having budget problems, and that the county would like each municipality, other than Lenoir, since Lenoir has its own enforcement officer, to contribute to this solid waste enforcer's salary due to the population of each municipality. Sawmills town council do not like the idea of taking city money to fund a county position when the town's residents are already paying county and city taxes. No decision was made at this meeting.

After discussing the matter that revenue from the water department not being sufficient to cover current expenses, and that the fact that the City of Lenoir is going up on the water rates again in October, Dennis Wilson made a motion to raise the water rates from \$14.00 on the first 6,000 gallons to \$17.00. On gallons used after the first 6,000 gallons, to change the rate from \$1.45 to \$1.75 per thousand and from .15 a hundred, to .18 a hundred, effective April 1, 1992. Larry Prestwood seconded. All were in favor.

On a motion made by Dennis Wilson, seconded by Larry Prestwood,

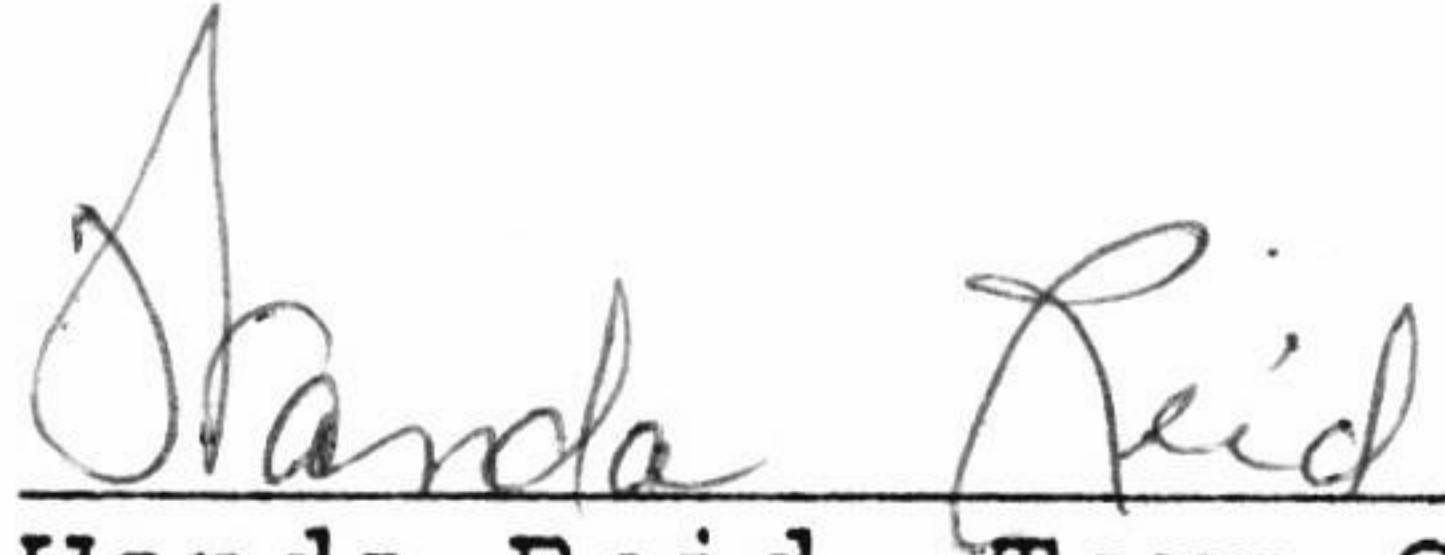
council moved to impose a late payment penalty of 10% for all water bill payments made after the 15th.

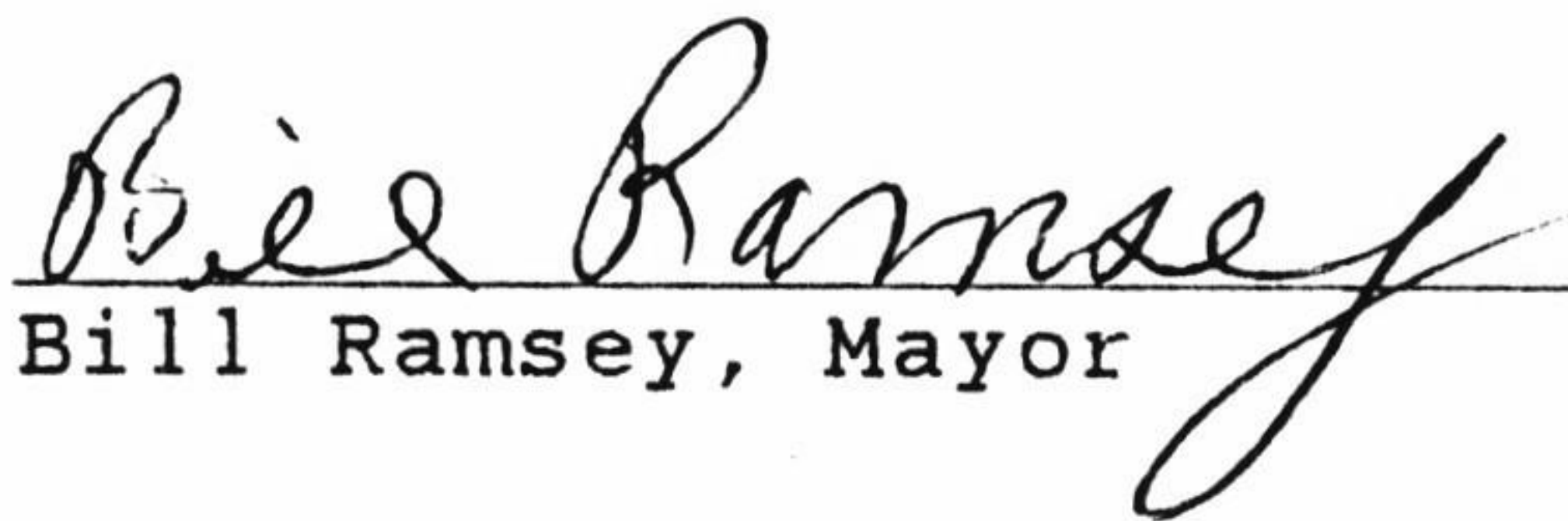
Tim Sanders made a motion that if any resident requested an adjustment to their water bill because of line breaks, or illness that they petition the town council and appear before the board members at the next meeting to present their appeal. Motion was seconded by Dennis Wilson. All were in favor.

Previously the employees of the town had been taking Easter Monday for a vacation day. The banks take good Friday off, thus making deposits difficult to make. On a motion made by Dennis Wilson, seconded by Larry Prestwood, council moved that Good Friday would be the day of vacation instead of Easter Monday.

Tim Sanders made a motion for Arnold Arrowood solicit informal bids for the repaving of Kendall drive, Villa Woods and Lafayette Avenue, since the expenditures anticipated to be less than \$50,000.00 Dennis Wilson seconded. All were in favor.

At 6:40 PM, Max Andrews made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Paul Pope. All were in favor.


Wanda Reid, Town Clerk


Bill Ramsey, Mayor