

June 1, 1999
Minutes of Meeting

COUNCIL PRESENT
PRESENT

Max Andrews
Dennis Wilson
Bill Ramsey
Roger Clark
Bobby Austin
David Stamey

STAFF

Terry Taylor
Chester West
Eric Davis
Alex Fulbright
Wanda Reid

Mayor Max Andrews called the meeting to order and welcomed all guests.

Invocation was given by Rev. Rick Crouse, pastor of Dry Ponds Baptist Church.

Bill Ramsey made the motion to adopt the agenda, with David Stamey seconding. All were in favor.

On a motion made by David Stamey, seconded by Bill Ramsey, Council voted to approve the minutes of May 18, 1999.

Town Administrator, Eric Davis, went over the 1999-2000 annual budget for the Council.

Bill Ramsey made the motion to open the PUBLIC HEARING on Fiscal Year 1999-2000 Annual Budget. David Stamey seconded. Vote unanimous.

As there was no comment from the public, on a motion made by Bill Ramsey, seconded by Dennis Wilson, Council voted to close the public hearing.

Bobby Austin made the motion to privatize the recycling program in Sawmills. David Stamey seconded. All were in favor.

After some discussion of whether to recycle weekly or by-weekly, Roger Clark made the motion to enter into contract negotiations with GDS and to recycle weekly. Bobby Austin seconded. Voting for: Roger Clark, Bill Ramsey, and Bobby Austin. Voting against: Dennis Wilson and David Stamey.

Administrator, Eric Davis related to Council the Park Advisory Board had met last week and recommended placing three picnic shelters in the Town Park. The shelters will be

12" X 12" and will have concrete pads, picnic tables and grills. They would be placed along the walking trail, between the concession stand and the playground equipment. Mr. Davis informed Council the cost would be approximately five thousand dollars per shelter. He informed Council that only one bid had been received as of this date.

Bill Ramsey made the motion to table the picnic shelters until prices could be obtained. Roger Clark seconded. All were in favor.

Engineer Chester West related to Council of three options to paving Adams Drive. The property owner at the end of the street will not sign an easement because he feels a turnaround will take up too much of his yard. The other two options are not safe. Mr. Davis informed Council that the sewer easements have not been obtained and the sewer line was getting close to that area.

Bobby Austin made the motion to obtain the sewer easements and pursue the street right-of-way later. Dennis Wilson seconded, with all in favor.

In other business, Town Planner Alex Fulbright told Council that ETJ Board-of-Adjustment member Eldon Smith's term was over and recommended his serving another term. David Stamey made the motion to appoint Eldon Smith to another term on the ETJ Board-of-Adjustment, with Bill Ramsey seconding. All were in favor.

Council member David Stamey related that Jack Lampe, a resident of Virginia Acres had complained of the excessive speeding going on in his neighborhood.

After some discussion, on a motion made by David Stamey, seconded by Bill Ramsey, Council voted that Administrator Eric Davis write another letter to the Sheriff's Department asking that Virginia Acres be patrolled more often.

In the manager's report, Eric Davis related that regarding the pump station and force main to Lenoir, the Department of Transportation has verbally approved the plan of putting a force main on Spartan Drive. Mr. Davis stated the town would be submitting information for an encroachment application to the Department of Transportation.

Mr. Davis related that the request to Granite Falls to extend the sewer agreement for a year had been approved. Also the contract for the daily treatment allowance had been for 50,000 gallons was approved to be raised to 100,000 gallons a day.

Town Administrator Eric Davis related that the bright OSHA orange T-shirts being worn by the Public Works Department had been bought by the employees.

On a motion made by David Stamey, seconded by Bobby Austin, Council voted to go into CLOSED SESSION at 6:45 PM.

Roger Clark made the motion to come out of closed session. Dennis Wilson seconded. Vote unanimous.

On a motion made by Dennis Wilson, seconded by Bill Ramsey, Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:07 PM.


Wanda Reid, Town Clerk


Max Andrews, Mayor