MINUTES

June 16, 1998
6:00 PM

Sawmills Town Hall
Sawmills, North Carolina

Mayor Max Andrews opened the regular meeting at 6:00 PM with all council members present. Invocation was led by Wilson Annas.

On a motion made by Dennis Wilson and seconded by David Stamey the agenda was unanimously adopted.

David Stamey made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting on June 2, 1998. Bobby Austin seconded and all were in favor.

Sylvia Turnmire, Planner, gave details on a voluntary annexation petition from Lakeside Farm and Land Company. Mayor Andrews then opened a public hearing and asked for comments for or against the annexation. Roger Clark made a motion to close the public hearing followed by a second from David Stamey. The vote to close the hearing passed unanimously. David Stamey made a motion to accept the annexation effective June 30, 1998. Bill Ramsey seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Next Eric Davis took the floor and briefly explained the revenues and expenditures for the 1998-1999 fiscal year budget. On a motion made by Bill Ramsey and seconded by David Stamey a public hearing was opened for questions and comments on the budget. After no comments were offered Bobby Austin made a motion to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Dennis Wilson and all voted for the motion. Next Dennis Wilson made a motion to adopt the 1998-1999 budget. Bill Ramsey seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Eric Davis was then called on to explain the fee schedules for fiscal year 1998-1999. He suggested the following. The minimum water bill be raised from $7.00 to $8.00 for the first two thousand gallons. A 20 cent increase in the price per thousand gallons for all over the first two thousand. This would increase the per thousand gallon price to $2.20. The standard residential tap fee would remain the same at $350.00. The minimum bill for out of town water bills would be $16.00 and each additional thousand would be 4.40. The non-residential tap fee would be $700.00. Sewer rates would be $5.00 per thousand gallons. The residential sewer tap fee would be $500.00. Any tap larger than the standard would be set at cost plus 10%. All rates for the planning department (rezoning, conditional use permits, zoning text amendments and board of adjustment interpretations are $35.00.

David Stamey made a motion that the fee schedules be adopted, Bill Ramsey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Randy Laws, Finance Director then gave an update on the current year budget. He recommended that the following amendments be made. He stated that the administration department in General Funds could be over budget by the end of the year if a new copier was purchased as planned. He also recommended increasing sewer capital outlay in the utility department be increased to $381,610.00. This is the contract price of the current sewer project. The amendments would be as follows:

I General Fund	Increase Capital Outlay Administration $10,000.00.
	Decrease the Park Department $10,000.00.
II Utility Fund	Increase Capital Outlay Sewer $381,610.00.
	Allocation from prior years fund balance $381,610.00.

Roger Clark made a motion to amend the budget as recommended, Bill Ramsey seconded and all voted in favor.

Kelly Lookadoo, Finance Clerk, next presented the outstanding budget award presentation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998. The award was accepted by Mayor Andrews.

Eric Davis next explained the new sewer use ordinance recommended by Town Attorney, Terry Taylor. David Stamey made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Bill Ramsey seconded and all were in favor.

Sylvia Turnmire next explained a request from Mike Mask for a two-month extension of time on the Country Meadows Mobile home Park Phase 4. Bill Ramsey made a motion to approve the extension, David Stamey seconded and all were in favor.

Mrs. Turnmire next gave a recommendation from the Planning Board to approve the Bryant Minor Subdivision. Bill Ramsey made a motion to approve the subdivision followed by a second from Bobby Austin. All were in favor.

Next Mrs. Turnmire explained that the Park Terrace Major Subdivision – Preliminary Plat was recommended by the Town Engineer, and the Planning Board. David Stamey made a motion to table the matter until a copy of plats could be examined. Dennis Wilson seconded and all were in favor.

Eric Davis then presented 5 bids for a new copier. He recommended the Sharp AR5132 from Charlotte Copy Data for $12,260. Bobby Austin made a motion to accept the bid followed by a second from Dennis wilson. The vote carried on a 4 to 1 margin with David Stamey voting against the motion.

Next on the agenda was the recommendation from Eric Davis to purchase a computer for the new planner from Business Software Inc. David Stamey made the motion to make the purchase, Dennis Wilson seconded and all were in favor.

Next Dennis Wilson made a motion to appoint Eric Davis as the Town's representative to the Regional Strategies Task Force. David Stamey seconded and all voted in favor of the motion.

Billie Black, CDBG Administrator, then explained the CDBG-GR grants. Eric Davis suggested looking for an area of concentration to focus on in order to better position the

Town for a grant. David Stamey made a motion to table the issue until further information can be obtained. Roger Clark seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Next Mr. Davis recommended that the water bill at the Town Park be discontinued. The bill had been being paid by the Sawmills Optimist Club, but with so much of the water being used by other organizations and individuals, Davis felt that it was not fair for the Optimist Club to pay the bill. Roger Clark made a motion to discontinue the bill, David Stamey seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Dennis Wilson then informed everyone that the parade commemorating the 10 year anniversary of the Town of Sawmills would begin at 10 AM. He asked for funds to buy food which would be served at the town park. David Stamey made a motion for the town to pay $250.00. Roger Clark seconded and all were in favor.

Eric Davis then introduced Alex Fulbright the Town's new Planning Director.

Mayor Andrews next gave Sylvia Turnmire, planner from the Western Piedmont Council of Governments, a plaque as thanks for the good job she had done while she was contracted by the Town.

Mayor Andrews then asked if the council would aprove $10,000 to complete the remodeling of the meeting room. Bill Ramsey made the motion, Roger Clark seconded and the vote was unanimous.

David Stamey then made a motion to cancel the first meeting in July 1998. Dennis Wilson seconded the motion and all were in favor.

At 8:15 David Stamey made a motion to go into closed session. Roger Clark seconded and all were in favor.

At 8:25 David Stamey made a motion to come out of closed session. Bobby Austin seconded and all were in favor.

At 8:30 PM the meeting adjourned on a motion by David Stamey with a second from Roger Clark. The vote was unanimous.

Randy Laws
Randy Laws, Finance Director

Max Andrews
Max Andrews, Mayor