

TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2009
TOWN OF SAWMILLS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
6:00 P.M.

COUNCIL PRESENT

Bobby Austin
Bob Gibbs
Gerelene Blevins
Beverly Fry
Eddie Bowman
Joe Norman

STAFF PRESENT

Terry Taylor
Robert Frye
Susan Noll

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Austin called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION: Mayor Bobby Austin gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Austin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MAY 19th REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: Mayor Austin asked for a motion to approve the May 19, 2009 regular meeting minutes.

On a motion made by Joe Norman and seconded by Eddie Bowman, the minutes were approved. All were in favor.

ADOPT AGENDA: Mayor Austin asked for a motion to adopt the agenda.

On a motion made by Gerelene Blevins and seconded by Bob Gibbs, the agenda was adopted. All were in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING FY 2009-10 BUDGET:

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING: Mayor Austin asked for a motion to open the public hearing.

Eddie Bowman made a motion to open the public hearing with Joe Norman seconding. All were in favor.

STAFF COMMENTS: Town Administrator Robert Frye presented the Council with the proposed 2009-2010 FY Budget and the Proposed Fee Schedule.

Total budget of: \$2,284,336.00

General Fund Budget of: \$1,796,765.00

Utility Fund Budget of: \$487,571.00

The budget is balanced as required by State Law.

There are no rate or tax increases in the budget.

See attached list of fee schedule increases.

Staff would recommend Council approve this budget.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There was no one wishing to speak at the public hearing.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING: Mayor Austin asked for a motion to close the public hearing.

On a motion made by Eddie Bowman and seconded by Bob Gibbs, the public hearing was closed. All were in favor.

COUNCIL ACTION: On a motion made by Joe Norman and seconded by Gerelene Blevins, the FY 2009-2010 budget was adopted. All were in favor.

FINANCIAL MATTERS:

BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUEST: Administrator Robert Frye stated before the Town is able to close out the FY 2008-2009 Budget two (2) budget amendments need taken care of. This requires no fund balance appropriations just the shifting of funds between lines items.

The Town needs to shift funds from line items that balance with unanticipated costs to line items that had lower than anticipated costs.

In November of last year, the Town had to replace some failing culverts in Virginia Acres that was not budgeted. Town Administrator Frye stated that this item needs to be amended and would recommend shifting funds from the investment line item to cover the expense.

On a motion made by Eddie Bowman and seconded by Gerelene Blevins, the budget amendments were approved. All were in favor.

PUBLIC WORKS/PARKS AND RECREATION POSITION: There are funds in the FY 2009-2010 budget for a full time general laborer.

Staff felt that the Town would benefit by hiring Benny Townsend as a part time Parks and Recreation Department Director. Mr. Townsend would be working 20 hours a week with 10 hours being spent overseeing the evening ball game schedule and 10 hours spent during the day maintaining the ball fields at \$12.00 per hour.

On a motion made by Joe Norman and seconded by Eddie Bowman, Council agreed to hire Benny Townsend on a contract basis to oversee the Parks and Recreation programs at \$12.00 per hour part time. All were in favor.

SALES TAX REINVESTMENT AGREEMENT: Sawmills and the other municipalities agree to double their current contributions for the next two fiscal years (\$400,0000 per year for Sawmills) in exchange for another year and an addition of some language added to the agreement. This will prevent termination of the agreement from the County without any financial penalties. See attached proposed amendments to the Sales Tax Reinvestment Agreement.

On a motion made by Joe Norman and seconded by Bob Gibbs, Council approved the amendments to the Sales Tax Reinvestment Agreement. All were in favor.

BAKER CIRCLE SPEED LIMIT: Councilwoman Gerelene Blevins would like speed limit signs on Baker Circle, as there currently are not any. Staff needs to discuss what the speed limit should be.

On a motion made by Eddie Bowman and seconded by Bob Gibbs, the Town will put up speed limit signs of 30 MPH. All were in favor.

UPDATES:

TOWN WIDE SPEED LIMIT SIGNS: NCDOT will begin placement of the Town wide speed limit signs of 35 MPH on all major roads leading into Sawmills within the next few weeks at no cost to the Town. NCDOT is reviewing the speed limit on all state maintained roads in Sawmills. Speed limits will be adjusted on these roads, as there is a need. NCDOT would like the Council to endorse a safety audit at Sawmills Elementary School in the fall with the conclusion going to the school board.

Eddie Bowman made a motion and Bob Gibbs seconded, to endorse NCDOT recommendations. All were in favor.

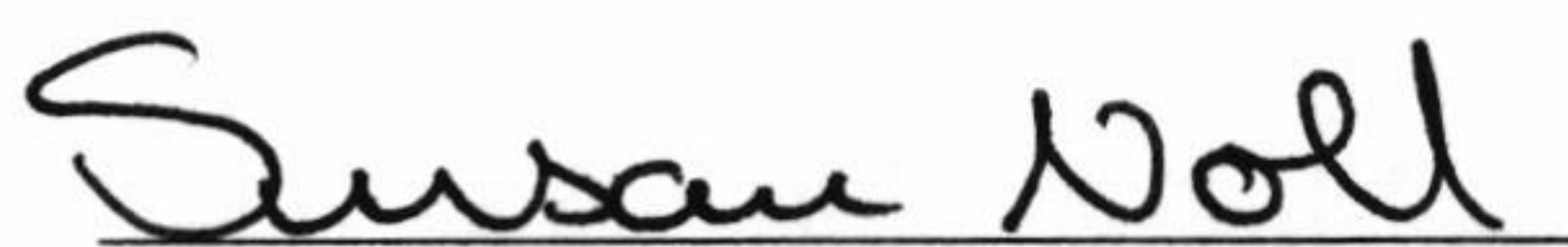
DRY PONDS ROAD WATER PROJECT STATUS: The Town submitted an application to the NC Rural Center for a grant to repair the failing waterline on Dry Ponds Rd. Due to State budget difficulties, funds will not be available in the new fiscal year through the NC Rural Center. There is Federal stimulus money available through the CDBG program. The Town submitted an application since this program offers 100% grants.

On a motion made by Bob Gibbs and seconded by Eddie Bowman, the Town will ratify the action. All were in favor.

TOWN HALL MEETING: Mayor Austin asked if anyone signed up to speak at the Town Hall meeting.

There was no one wishing to speak.

ADJOURN: On a motion made by Bob Gibbs and seconded by Joe Norman, the meeting was adjourned. All were in favor.


Susan Noll, Town Clerk


Bobby Austin, Mayor

Proposed FY 2009-10 Fee Structure

Public Works:

Brush Pickup Fee	\$10.00 (per pickup)
Large Brush Pickup Fee	\$75.00 (per hour)
White Goods Pickup Fee	\$10.00 (per pickup)
Special (Bulky Item) Pickup Fee	\$10.00 (per pickup)
Request for Speed Limit Sign	\$75.00
Request for Other Traffic Signs	\$75.00

Planning:

Zoning Permit (current fee \$25.00)	\$25.00
Plat Record Fee (current fee \$21.00)	\$21.00
Rezoning Application (current fee \$36.00)	\$650.00
Special Use Permit	\$50.00
Minor Plat Review:	\$25.00
Family Subdivision Review	\$50.00
Minor Subdivision Review:	\$50.00
Major Subdivision Review (Preliminary):	\$200.00 + \$5.00 per lot
Major Subdivision Review (Final):	\$150.00 + \$5.00 per lot
Document Fee (Zoning Ordinance)	\$15.00 per copy
Document Fee (Subdivision Ordinance)	\$10.00 per copy
Request for Variance	\$250.00

Parks and Recreation

<i>Park Rental Fee</i>	<i>\$50.00 Deposit (non refundable)</i>
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Misc.

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BUDGET AMENDMENT
TOWN OF SAWMILLS
GENERAL FUND

The Town Council of the Town of Sawmills at a meeting on the 16th day of June, 2009 passed the following resolution.

Be it resolved that the following amendments be made to the Budget Resolution for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009.

Expenditures – Powell Bill:

Account Number	Description	Increase	Decrease
1-50-4120	Engineering Fee	\$11,822.14	
1-50-4559	Paving	\$19,593.31	
	Total	\$31,415.45	
1-00-1001	Cash In Bank		\$31,415.45

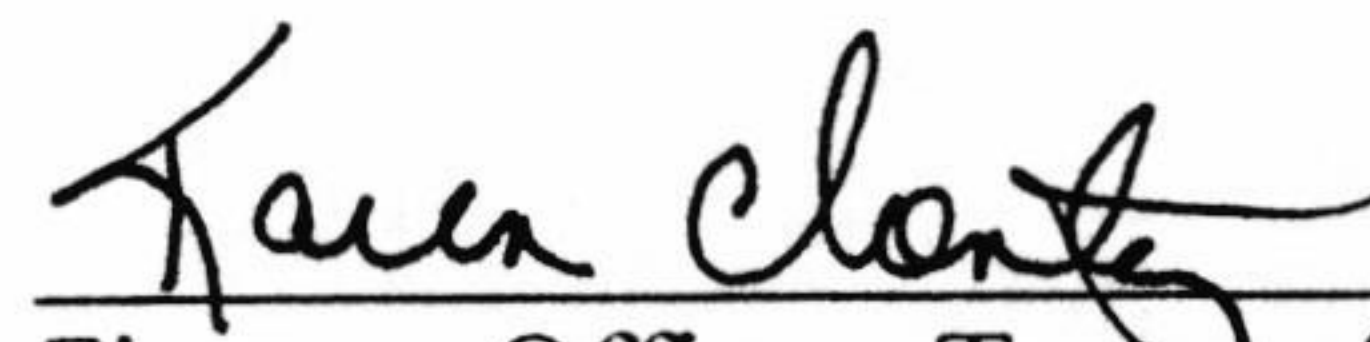
Total Appropriation in Current Budget	\$173,443.00
Amount of <u>Increase</u> /Decrease of Amendment	\$ 31,415.45
Total Amount in Current Amended Budget	\$206,668.45

Explanation: Due to unexpected costs for repairs made to culvert in Virginia Acres.

Passed by majority vote of the Town Council of the Town of Sawmills on the 16 day of JUNE, 2009. This amendment shall be attached to the minutes of such meeting and become official upon signature of the Mayor and Finance Officer.



Mayor, Town of Sawmills



Finance Officer, Town of Sawmills