

October 5, 1999
MINUTES OF MEETING

COUNCIL PRESENT

Max Andrews Mayor, Dennis Wilson Mayor Pro-tem, Bobby Austin, Roger Clark, Bill Ramsey, and David Stamey.

STAFF PRESENT

Paul Culpeper, Attorney, Eric Davis, Town Administrator, Alex Fulbright, Planner, and Wanda Reid, Town Clerk.

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

Rev. Rick Crouse gave the invocation.

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

David Stamey made the motion to approve the minutes of September 21, 1999. Bill Ramsey seconded. All were in favor.

Caldwell County Tax Administrator, Fred King, related to Council that the county will be contracting the services of Tax Management Associates to conduct the audits. David Stamey made the motion to accept the 65% /35% split of discovered/collected tax amounts, (65% to the county/city and 35% to TMA for their work). Bobby Austin seconded, with all in favor.

Bids for the construction of the waterline for Drum Lane are as follows:

Burke Development, Inc.	\$28,410
Max Prestwood Water & Sewer	\$19,782
F & S Contractors	\$19,645

After some discussion, Councilor Bobby Austin noted that boring under the road was not listed in the F & S Contractors bid. Town Planner Alex Fulbright told Council that contractors usually figured the boring in with the contract, but Prestwood did separate his. David Stamey was concerned that F & S Contractors did not show a license number. Mr. Davis related that there was a license, but not put on his bid. On a motion made by Bill

Ramsey, seconded by David Stamey, Council voted to award to Max Prestwood Water & Sewer.

Bobby Austin made the motion, with Roger Clark seconding, to advertise for contractors for the installing of the pump station and force main that will connect Sawmills to the Lenoir sewer system. Vote unanimous. Mr. Davis noted that the project has been designed and is in Raleigh awaiting permits.

Eric Davis stated that the town has requested that Lenoir send Sawmills a bill for 55,000 gallons per day of sewer treatment capacity. This will allow Sawmills to fulfill its cash match commitment for the CDBG project. On a motion made by Roger Clark, seconded by Bill Ramsey, Council voted to purchase 55,000 gallons of sewer capacity for \$67,100.

On the next item of business Staff recommended that the Town purchase an additional 195,000 gallons more per day of sewer capacity above what is paid out for the CDBG project. As the Town grows, we will have to ensure that there is enough capacity to treat additional waste that enters our system. Town Administrator, Eric Davis, informed Council, that capacity charges are \$1.22 per gallon for a daily capacity, and that this charge will not go down in the future. Roger Clark made the motion, with David Stamey seconding, to purchase an additional 195,000 gallons. Vote unanimous.

Bids are to have Stamey Road, Coble Dairy Road, and Baker Circle striped or re-striped are as follows:

North Carolina DOT	\$ 2,200
City of Hickory	\$ 1,500
Burke Paving & Grading	\$14,000

On a motion made by David Stamey, seconded by Roger Clark, Council voted to award the City of Hickory the striping job.

Due to the death of Planning Board Member, Dennis Harrison, Town Planner Alex Fulbright informed Council that Elaine McGee, a previous member, was willing to serve for the remainder of the vacant term, which expires in December 1999. Bill Ramsey made the motion to appoint Elaine McGee as Planning Board Member. Dennis Wilson seconded. All were in favor.

Tuesday, November 2, 1999, will be Election Day. Town Administrator, Eric Davis suggested that a decision needed to be made about the meeting time, since the town's first meeting in the month will be on that day. David Stamey made the motion to schedule the meeting on Monday, November 1, 1999. Roger Clark seconded. Vote unanimous. This will allow time to notify the public about the change.

On a motion made by Bill Ramsey, seconded by Dennis Wilson, Council voted to buy needed water supplies at the price of \$10,462.

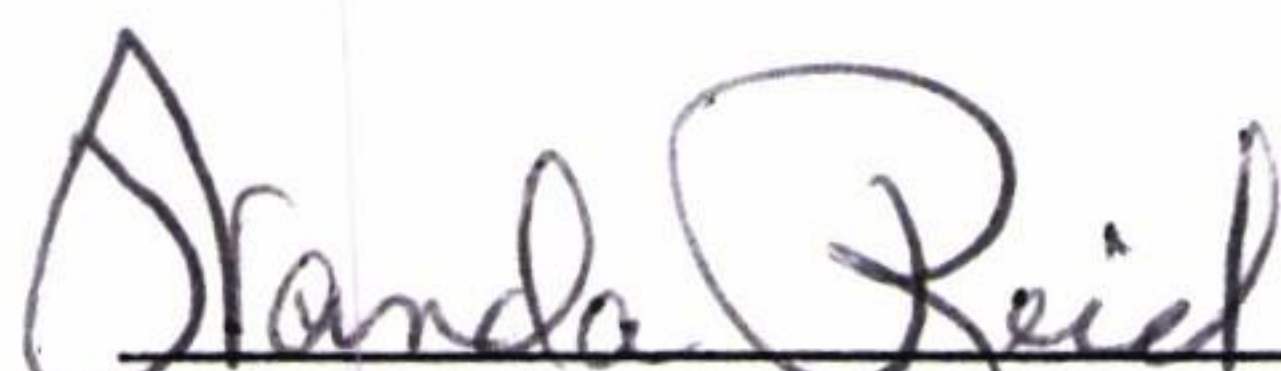
Eric Davis informed Council the Town has received a Wellness Grant that totals \$500. This will be used for CPR certification, and re-certification of 7 employees. Incentive gifts for going 3 months without sick time, and quarterly wellness meetings. The town has also received a Safety Grant of \$1,000 to be used for lumbar supports for employees driving vehicles, OSHA orange sweatshirts or long sleeved T-shirts, wrist rests for computer operators, and carbon monoxide detectors.

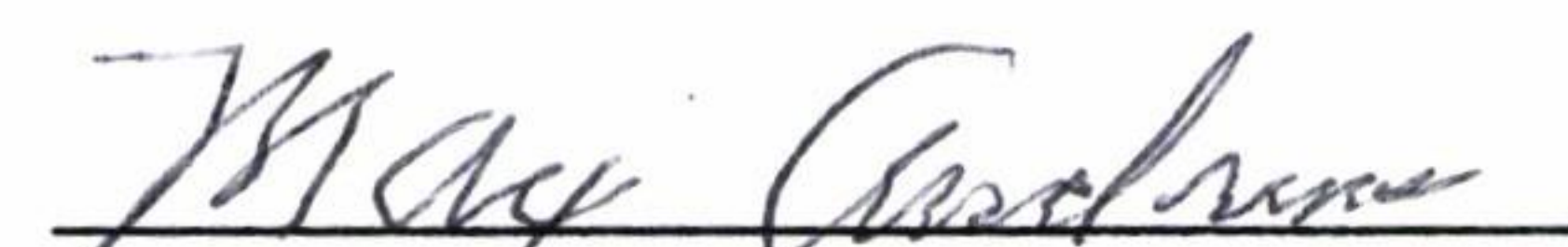
In the manager's report, Mr. Davis informed Council the picnic shelters were being installed at the Town Park.

On a motion made by David Stamey, seconded by Roger Clark, Council voted to go into CLOSED SESSION at 6:30 PM.

The motion to come out of closed session was made by Bobby Austin and seconded by Bill Ramsey. All were in favor.

On a motion made by Bobby Austin, seconded by David Stamey, Council voted to adjourn at 6:39 PM.


Wanda Reid, Town Clerk


Max Andrews, Mayor