

OCTOBER 6, 1998
MINUTES OF MEETING

COUNCIL PRESENT

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

STAFF PRESENT

Terry Taylor
Billie Black
Eric Davis
Alex Fullbright
Randy Laws

The regular meeting of the Sawmills Town Council was called to order, by Mayor Max Andrews with all members present. They were Max Andrews, Bill Ramsey, Roger Clark, Dennis Wilson, Bobby Austin and David Stamey. Town Attorney Terry Taylor and Town Administrator Eric Davis were also present.

Reverend Rick Crouse gave the invocation.

David Stamey made a motion to adopt the agenda with the elimination of item number 11. Bill Ramsey seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Bill Ramsey next made a motion to approve the minutes of September 15, 1998. Dennis Wilson seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Mayor Andrews then recognized Alex Fullbright, planning director. Fullbright explained a request for rezoning from Dennis Wilson and Howard H. Cannon, (case 98-5). This request was to change 3.55 acres from G-M General Manufacturing to R-15 High Density Residential. Dennis Wilson then asked to be excused from the issue because of a conflict of interest. Roger Clark made a motion to allow Wilson to be excused, Bill Ramsey seconded and the vote was unanimous. David Stamey then made a motion to grant the request for rezoning, Bill Ramsey seconded and the vote carried unanimously.

Mr. Fullbright then passed out copies of an updated zoning map and asked for it to be adopted. Dennis Wilson made the motion, David Stamey seconded and the updated map was adopted by a unanimous vote.

Next Fullbright introduced a new zoning permit form. Town Attorney Terry Taylor pointed out that the word specifies needed to be changed to specified. David Stamey made a motion to adopt the new form with the change. Bill Ramsey seconded and all were in favor.

Eric Davis next asked the Council to set a public hearing date to discuss the purchase of water lines from Caldwell County. Bill Ramsey made a motion to set the date for October 20, 1998. Dennis Wilson seconded and the vote passed unanimously.

Mr. Davis then informed the Council that Mrs. Susan Chandler had resigned from the park advisory board and that the position, which will end in June 1999, needed to be

filled. Dennis Wilson made a motion to appoint Sylvia Wilson to the open position, David Stamey seconded and all were in favor.

Next Davis explained to the Council a need to support a resolution proposed for a state bond referendum for water, sewer and natural gas. David Stamey made a motion to support the resolution followed by a second from Roger Clark. The motion carried unanimously.

Davis then stated that four bids had been received on the Dry Ponds Road waterline project. He recommended that authorization be given to Max Prestwood who was the low bidder to begin construction. Bill Ramsey made the motion for authorization, David Stamey seconded and the vote was unanimous.

The next item on the agenda was fire hydrant paint. Mr. Davis explained that the town could purchase 24 lbs. of special paint which when applied is easier to see than the paint normally used. The name of the paint is Silver 3M Scotchlite Liquid Paint and 24 lbs. costs \$696.60. David Stamey made a motion to purchase the paint with Bobby Austin seconding and the entire board voting in favor.

Eric Davis then gave a report on the Caldwell County Urban Area Thoroughfare Plan.

In the managers report Davis informed that all the streetlights were now up. He also stated that he was pleased with the quick work that both Blue Ridge Electric and Duke Power had done. He also announced the merger of Blue Ridge Electric and Beale Oil Company.

In other business Steve Dula, a Sawmills resident, explained that he has not been able to obtain a permit to put in a new modular home because the zoning ordinances call for 35 ft. road frontage.

The council directed Alex Fullbright to take the issue to the planning board.

Dennis Wilson then made a motion to go into closed session. Bobby Austin seconded the motion and everyone voted for it.

David Stamey made a motion to come out of closed session, Dennis Wilson seconded and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

David Stamey next made a motion for the staff to compile a sewer study. The motion was seconded by Dennis Wilson and all voted in favor.

At 8:10 P.M. Dennis Wilson made a motion to adjourn. David Stamey seconded and the meeting adjourned by unanimous vote.

Randy Laws
Randy Laws, Dfn

Max Andrews
Max Andrews, Mayor