

OCTOBER 15, 2002
MINUTES OF MEETING

COUNCIL PRESENT

David Stamey
Joe Norman
Gerelene Blevins
Pat Harrison
Bill Ramsey
Joe Helton, *Absent*

STAFF PRESENT

Robert Frye
Wanda Reid
Terry Taylor
Sam Erwin
Lori Huffman

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor David Stamey called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and welcomed all guests.

INVOCATION: In the absence of Pastor Rick Crouse, Councilperson Pat Harrison gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Stamey led the audience in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 15, 2002 REGULAR MINUTES: On a motion made by Joe Norman, seconded by Pat Harrison, Council voted to approve the previous minutes.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 15, 2002 CLOSED SESSION: On a motion made by Joe Norman, seconded by Pat Harrison, Council voted to approve the previous closed session minutes.

PUBLIC HEARING: Expansion of CDBG Project Area: Prior to opening the public hearing on this matter, Town Administrator Robert Frye reviewed the proposed amendment to the CDBG project which involved expanding the project area to include the Brock Griffin apartments and the installation of a new force main line and pump station on Stamey Road.

Mayor David Stamey then asked for a motion to open the public hearing. Bill Ramsey made the motion to open the public hearing with Gerelene Blevins seconding. All were in favor.

COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC: There were no comments from the public.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING: Joe Norman made the motion to close the public hearing. Bill Ramsey seconded, with all in favor.

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT: First reading, Water Emergency Management Policy:

During the October 1, 2002 meeting, Council voted to adopt the proposed Water Emergency Management Policy. On a motion made by Joe Norman, seconded by Bill Ramsey, Council held the first reading of the Water Emergency Management Policy. All were in favor. The second and final reading on this matter will take place at the November 19th Council meeting.

UPDATE: Conley Creek Access Recreation Master Plan: Town Administrator Frye and Mr. Sam Erwin of the Western Piedmont Council of Governments briefed Council on the status of the Town's ongoing Recreation Master Plan. Mr. Frye reported to Council that the Wildlife Resources Commission has agreed to construct a fishing pier on site at no cost to the Town. Since the Wildlife Resources Commission is building the pier, the funds currently budgeted will be used to enhance the area surrounding the pier in the form of a picnic shelter, picnic tables, and a small walking trail. Construction of the pier should take place sometime this winter. Mr. Erwin then provided Council with an overview of the other projected phases included in the Master Plan. (See attached).

PLANNING MATTERS:

A. Charles Ballard: Minor Subdivision Plat Review: Mr. Ballard submitted a request for a minor subdivision of his property located off of Stamey Road. The subdivision involves splitting the parcel into two pieces. Joe Norman made the motion to approve this. Pat Harrison seconded. All were in favor.

B. Harrill Herman: Minor Subdivision Plat review: Mr. Herman submitted this request for a minor subdivision of this particular property approximately nine years ago. It was approved at that time, but for some reason, the plat was never recorded. Mr. Herman recently tried to record the plat in question and was told that it could not be recorded because the plat lacked the proper signatures. Mr. Herman is re-submitting his plat so that it can be properly recorded. Gerelene Blevins made the motion to approve the plat with Bill Ramsey seconding. All were in favor.

C. William Barlow: Minor Subdivision Plat Review: Mr. Barlow has submitted a request for a minor subdivision of his property located off of Sonnet Drive. The subdivision involves splitting the parcel into two pieces. On a motion made by Bill Ramsey, seconded by Gerelene Blevins, Council voted to approve the subdivision plat.

D: James Hollifield: Minor Subdivision Plat Review: Mr. Hollifield has submitted a request for a minor subdivision of his property located off of Helton Road. The subdivision involves splitting the parcel into two pieces. Gerelene Blevins made the motion to approve this plat. Joe Norman seconded, with all in favor.

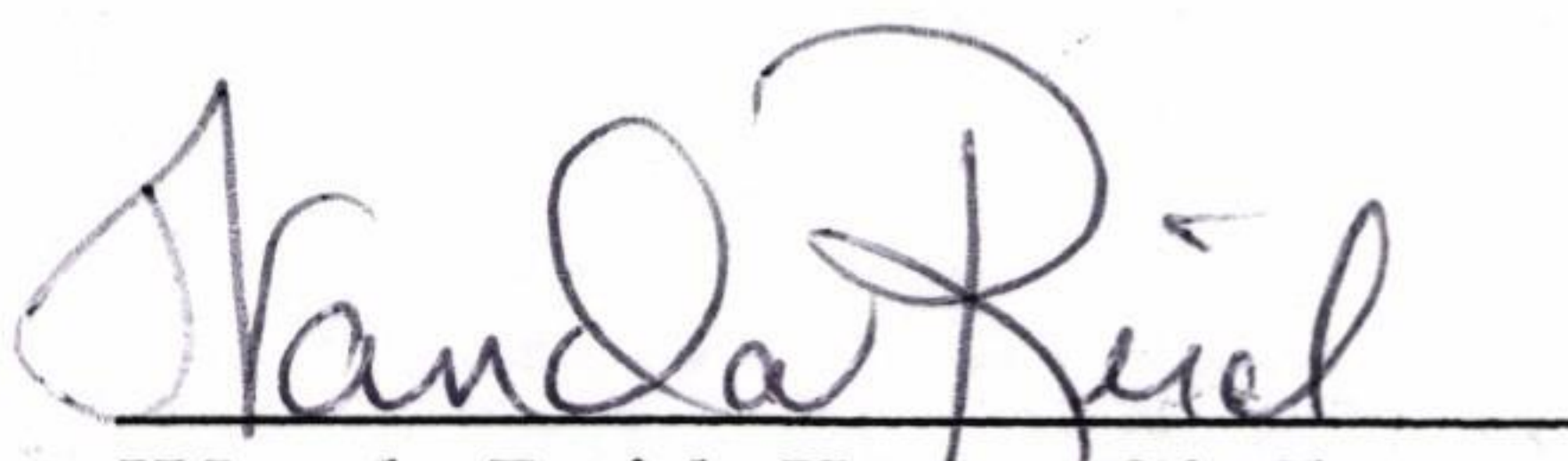
DISCUSSION: Council Meeting Schedule

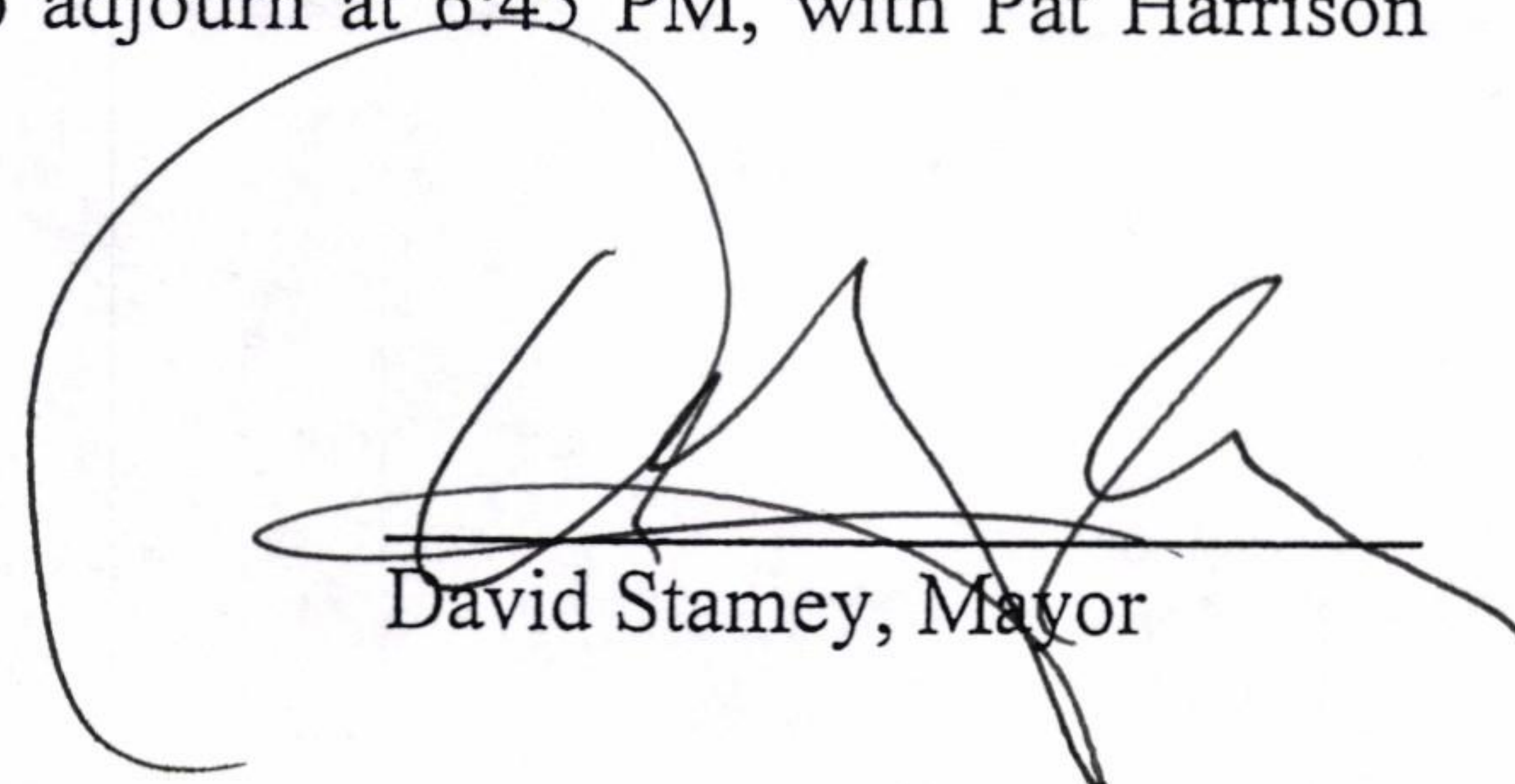
A. November 5th Meeting Schedule: The next scheduled meeting of the Town Council is on November 5, which is Election Day. Since Town Hall is used as a voting precinct, the meeting will need to either be rescheduled or canceled. On a motion made by Bill Ramsey, seconded by Gerelene Blevins, Council voted to cancel the November 5, 2002 meeting.

B. Possibility of Changing to One Council Meeting a Month: Mr. Frye related that several Council members had asked him about the possibility of switching to one meeting a month. As far as staff is concerned, there would be no problem in doing so as long as the meeting would be held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. This would enable Council to continue to review the Planning board recommendations in a timely matter. Joe Norman made the motion to begin meeting once a month on the third Tuesday of each month starting in January of 2003. Gerelene Blevins seconded. All were in favor.

Discussion: Council Standards of Conduct Policy: Mayor Pro Temp Joe Norman stated he felt like it was time for Council to adopt some form of guidelines to govern how they conducted themselves. Mr. Norman then stated that he felt like the policy that Town Attorney Terry Taylor had put together for Council should be adopted. On a motion made by Bill Ramsey, seconded by Joe Norman, Council voted to amend the Town Ordinance to include the Standards of Conduct and Conflict of Interest Policy. (See Attached). First reading on the ordinance amendment is scheduled for the November 19th 2002, Council Meeting.

ADJOURN: Joe Norman made the motion to adjourn at 6:45 PM, with Pat Harrison seconding. All were in favor.


Wanda Reid, Town Clerk


David Stamey, Mayor

