

November 21st, 2000
Minutes of Meeting

COUNCIL PRESENT

Max Andrews
Joe Helton
Bobby Austin
Gerelene Blevins
David Stamey

STAFF PRESENT

Terry Taylor
Robert Frye
Wanda Reid

ABSENT- Councilperson Bill Ramsey was absent due to a death in the family.

OPEN MEETING- Mayor Max Andrews called the meeting to order and welcomed all guests.

INVOCATION- Bufford Pennell, Pastor of South Caldwell Christian Ministries, gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- Emily Helton, a 4th grader at Sawmills Accelerated School led the audience in saying the pledge of allegiance.

ADD TO AGENDA- Town Administrator, Robert Frye added item 11-A, miscellaneous paving costs to the agenda under other business.

ADOPT AGENDA- David Stamey made the motion to adopt the agenda. Bobby Austin seconded. All were in favor.

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 6TH, REGULAR & CLOSED MINUTES- On a motion made by Gerelene Blevins, seconded by Bobby Austin, Council voted to approve the regular and closed minutes of November 6th, 2000.

SUBDIVISION BOND REQUEST: Phase One Completion of Hayes Mills Landing Development. Town Engineer Chester West has reviewed the request and recommends a bond amount of \$155,540 plus 20% totaling \$186,648. On a motion made by David Stamey, seconded by Gerelene Blevins, Council voted to approve this request.

ANNUAL EMPLOYEE LONGEVITY PAY- On a motion made by Bobby Austin, seconded by David Stamey, Council voted to approve the presented longevity pay amounts. See attachment.

UPDATE: SAWMILLS SCHOOL ROAD SIDEWALK PROJECT- Town Administrator Robert Frye informed Council that an additional \$130,000 for curb and guttering has been given to the Town of Sawmills by North Carolina Department of Transportation.

No action by the board was required.

UPDATE CDBG GRANT APPLICATION-Administrator Frye related to Council that the Town of Sawmills had been awarded an \$805,574 CDBG Grant for infrastructure. In a related matter, he informed Council the grant did not cover the apartments that had been removed from the grant before it had been submitted. Mr. Frye stated that while the town was laying lines in that area, it might be to the Town's advantage to extend the lines to the apartments, if the owner was willing to pay for the sewer tap on fees. He related that bids could be placed after receiving the grant package and suggested that a second bid be put out for the line extension to the apartments.

UPDATE: Planning Board Action Concerning Manufactured Age Restrictions-Mr. Frye related to council the Planning Boards decided to proceed with the development of a series of appearance based criteria to replace the manufactured housing age based restrictions currently in place. The Planning Board hopes to complete this process in time for Council to set a Public Hearing on this matter early in the spring.

OTHER BUSINESS-

- ◆ Councilman David Stamey related that Mr. Tommy Mitchell wanted to put in three speed bumps on Benfield drive. There would be no cost to the Town.
- ◆ Councilman Stamey asked Council to place 35MPH speed signs at each entrance to the Town of Sawmills. On a motion made by David Stamey, seconded by Bobby Austin, Council voted to place 35MPH speed sign, unless otherwise posted on each entrance to the Town of Sawmills and to place speed signs on Joplin Road and Keith Avenue.
- ◆ Councilman David Stamey informed Council that he had received a petition for sewer service from residents of Karr Drive, Mission Road, some of 321-A and Helton Road.
- ◆ Councilor David Stamey reminded Council of the need for a deputy to patrol Sawmills. Mr. Frye is to check with the Sheriff about the cost of a deputy patrolling and report back to Council.
- ◆ Councilman Stamey told Council he had talked with Mr. George Harris about connecting Oxford Drive and Gatewood Drive together.

STEEETS SURVEYED-On a motion made by David Stamey, seconded by Gerelene Blevins, Council voted to authorize the Town's Engineer to survey Oxford Drive and Gatewood Drive.

- ◆ Councilman Stamey informed Council he had been on the Board for 3 years and during that time the cost of sewer town wide had increased dramatically. Councilman David Stamey then made a suggestion to have a Public Hearing on the subject of town wide sewer to get the public's input on this.

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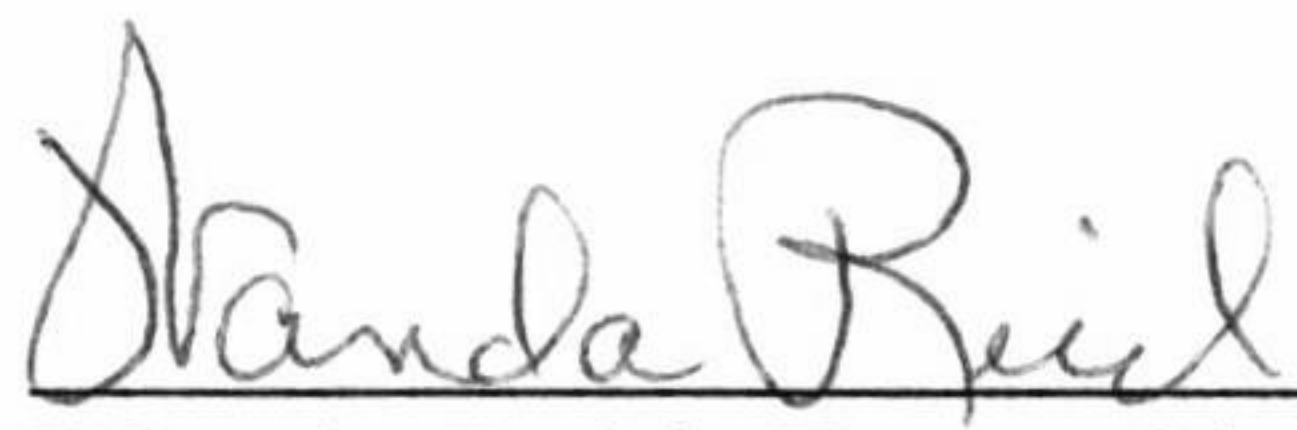
SEWER STUDY BROUGHT BACK-After some discussion, on a motion made by David Stamey, seconded by Gerelene Blevins, Council voted to have the sewer study brought back with updated figures. This will be brought back in January of 2001.

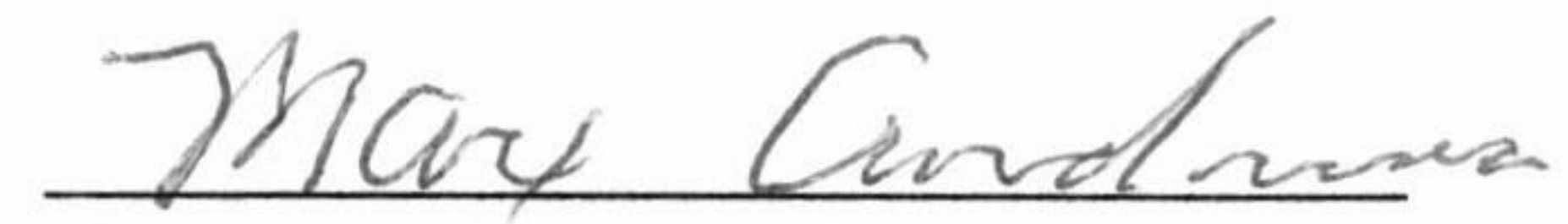
MISCELANOUS PAVING PROJECTS-Town Administrator Robert Frye informed Council of several paving projects costing a total of \$3,350. Gerelene Blevins made the motion to have all this done. David Stamey seconded. All were in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENT-Mr. Frye reminded Council the Town Hall and Public Works Department will be closed for observance of Thanksgiving Day on November 23rd and 24th.

DECEMBER 22ND, 2000-On a motion made by Gerelene Blevins, seconded by David Stamey, Council voted to permit the Town Employee's leave for the Christmas holiday at 12:00 o'clock December 22nd, 2000.

ADJOURN-Joe Helton made the motion to adjourn at 6:45 PM. Bobby Austin seconded. All were in favor.


Wanda Reid, Town Clerk


Max Andrews, Mayor