

MINUTES
Snow Hill Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
Wednesday, August 25, 2010—7:00 p.m.
Snow Hill Town Hall
201 North Greene Street, North Carolina 28580

- 1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.**
- 2. Prayer – Prayer was offered by Commissioner Scarborough.**
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance – Mayor Liles led the Pledge.**
- 4. Roll Call – Miss Strickland called roll. All members were present and a quorum was declared.**
- 5. Consider Approving Meeting Agenda – Motion was made by Commissioner Scarborough, seconded by Commissioner Shackelford and carried unanimously to approve the meeting agenda.**
- 6. Consider Approving Meeting Minutes: August 9, 2010 – Motion was made by Commissioner Shackelford, seconded by Commissioner Scarborough and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the August 9, 2010 meeting.**
- 7. Presentation: Comprehensive Transportation Plan – Alex Rickard, Brendan Merithew – Mr. Alex Rickard handed out (a copy hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes) information on what a Rural Planning Organization(RPO) and spoke on this information with the Board. Mr. Rickard informed the Board that Greene County was in the South Eastern Planning Group. Mr. Rickard informed the Board that they would like to have volunteers from the Town to sit on the steering committee for the transportation plan and that Mr. Hill has agreed to volunteer. There is no cost for the transportation plan as dues are paid by the County. Mr. Brendan Merithew came forward to go through a powerpoint presentation (a copy hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes) on the Comprehensive Transportation Plan.**
- 8. Report of Officers**
 - a. *Mayor:*
 1. *Note of Thanks from the Family of Jon Willis – Mayor Liles shared a note of thanks from the family of Deputy Jon Willis. Mayor Liles also took a point of privilege to recognize members of the audience in support of the condemnation of abandoned buildings.*
 - b. *Interim Town Administrator:*

1. *Updated Fire Services Contract (Exhibit A) (a copy hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes) Mr. Hill advised the Board that sections pertaining to the Town providing a fire station had been removed and the annual allocation was updated. Legal Council has reviewed.*
2. *Audit Update- Mr. Hill advised the Board that the audit is underway, he and Mr. Harris will meet with Jay upon completion of the field work.*
3. *Updated Lease Agreement with Greene Lamp Inc. (Exhibit B)- Mr. Hill shared proposed changes. Discussion followed concerning needed clarification regarding maintenance. Legal Council will review.*
4. *Abandoned Buildings Update (Exhibit C)- Mr. Hill reviewed with the Board the process to initiate condemnation of abandoned and dangerous structures. He advised there were two in particular that due to citizen concern should be researched first. The cost of demolition would be \$3500 for the property located at 106 Carver Drive; \$3100 for the property located at 408 W Harper.*
5. *Update on Property Purchase by GC Board of Education- Mr. Hill updated the Board on the sale of the old fire station. The Board of Education and County Commissioners have approved the purchase, will close in early September.*

c. *Town Clerk / Revenue Collector:*

1. *Tax Release Request (Exhibit D)- Ms. Strickland asked for the release of taxes in the amount of \$38.50 to Gerry's Loving Hand; property nit located in the city limits.*

9. Report of the Boards, Commissions, Committees and/or Taskforces: NONE

10. Unfinished Business and General Orders: NONE

11. Public Comments-

Mr. Robert Masters discussed recent grant awarded to Beach Butler as well as those awarded to Tide Tamer and Worth Products.

Mr. David Jones, Ms. Gwen Smith, and Mr. Arlander Paige came forward to express their displeasure in the fact that the building at 408 W Harper Street has not been removed by the owner and stressed that they would like the Board to pursue condemnation.

12. New Business:

- a. Consider Accepting and Authorizing Execution of the Amended Fire Services Contract- **Motion by Commissioner O'Brien, Seconded by Commissioner Scarborough to authorize. Carried unanimously.**
- b. Consider Accepting and Authorizing Execution of Greene Lamp Lease Agreement- **Tabled by consent to allow Legal Council to clarify the maintenance responsibilities.**
- c. Consider Authorizing Revenue Collector to Release \$38.50 for Gerry's Loving Hand Due to Billing Error- **Motion by Commissioner Whitson, Seconded by Commissioner O'Brien to authorize. Carried unanimously.**

- 13. Consider Closed Session to Discuss Personnel Issues Pursuant to NCGS 143.318.11 (6)- Motion by Commissioner Shackleford, Seconded by Commissioner Scarborough to enter in to closed session, carried unanimously at 20:07 hours.**

Motion to reconvene in open session by Commissioner Scarborough, Seconded by Commissioner Shackleford, carried unanimously at 21:25 hours.

Motion by Commissioner Taylor, Seconded by Commissioner Whitson to allow Mr. Hill to attend City and County Mangers Program on Chapel Hill. Carried unanimously.

- 14. Commissioner's Comments**

- 15. Adjournment- Motion by Commissioner Whitson, Seconded by Commissioner O'Brien to adjourn. Carried unanimously at 21:26 hours.**

Dennis Liles, Mayor

Clerk