

Town of Robbinsville
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2020
Graham County Court House
12 Court Street, Robbinsville, NC 28771

A regular Town of Robbinsville meeting was scheduled to be called to order at the Town Hall at 1:00 pm but due to not enough room to seat the people attending, Mayor Steve Hooper moved the meeting to the Graham County Court House located at 12 Court Street, Robbinsville, NC 28771

A regular Town of Robbinsville meeting was called to order by Mayor Steve Hooper at 1:14 pm at the Graham County Court House on January 8, 2020.

Council present: Brian Johnson, Debbie Beasley, Shaun Adams

Others present: Alex Shelton, American Tank Maintenance; Mike Wallace, Core & Main; Brandon Stokes, Core & Main; Dustin Doyle, Core & Main; Ann Haager, citizen; Jim Haager, citizen; Roger Carlton, citizen; Lynn Kindley, citizen; attendance list is available upon request

Approval of meeting minutes:

December 4, 2019 Meeting minutes: Brian Johnson motioned to approve the December 4, 2019 meeting minutes. Debbie Beasley seconded. Shaun Adams opposed. Motion passed 2-1.

December 11, 2019 special Meeting minutes: Debbie Beasley motioned to approve the December 11, 2019 meeting minutes. Brian Johnson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

December 19, 2019 Work Session meeting minutes: Debbie Beasley motioned to approve the December 19, 2020 Work Session Meeting minutes. Shaun Adams seconded. Brian Johnson was absent for the December 12th meeting. Motion passed.

Approval of agenda:

Debbie Beasley motioned to amend the agenda in regards to the Resolution of Corridor K (Resolution to Adopt the Graham County Comprehensive Transportation Plan Amendments) after #5 in Old Business. Brian Johnson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Debbie Beasley motioned to amend the agenda in regards to fuel purchase. Shaun Adams seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Debbie Beasley motioned to approve the agenda. Shaun Adams seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Approval of ninety day suspension of Crown Food Mart ground water treatment iron pilot test:

After discussion, Shaun Adams motioned to approve the ninety day suspension of Crown Food Mart ground water treatment iron pilot test. Brian Johnson seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Steve Hooper asked Dirk Cody to bring the necessary paperwork needed to sign for the extension. Dirk Cody stated that he would have Robert Martin (Martin & Slagle Geosciences, PA) get the proper documentation together.

Update-new meter system-time frame to recoup cost of system/how much saved- Steve Hooper:

Steve discussed the information he obtained from Joy Garland with the Town of Clyde. Shaun Adams interrupted stating there is one thing you don't have on there-the cost of \$361,642.71-the Town of Robbinsville can't afford that Steve. Steve reminded Shaun that he had been asked to accompany him to view the Town of Santeetlah's meter system but he had declined. Steve stated that this is just for discussion and grants can be applied for which the Town would only have to match 20%. Steve stated that improvements must be made to the water/sewer system to continue providing these services for those that need it.

Zenner Pilot System agreement:

Shaun Adams motioned to strike Zenner Pilot System agreement from the agenda. Debbie Beasley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Update – Automated alert system:

Brian Johnson stated that the other company will give a quote for an automated alert system for the next proposed budget. Shaun motioned to remove automated alert system from the agenda. Debbie Beasley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Update – Old Town Hall easement – adjoining property owner:

Steve Hooper informed the Board that he has been unable to talk to the adjoining property owner yet. Debbie Beasley motioned to table till next meeting. Shaun Adams seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution to adopt Graham County Comprehensive Transportation Plan Amendments:

Brian Johnson motioned to adopt the Resolution. Debbie Beasley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

Public comment:

Brian Johnson motioned to open public comment at 1:25 pm. Debbie Beasley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Twenty three people spoke in public comment. With no further public comment, Debbie Beasley motioned to close public comment. Brian Johnson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing – Leasing old VFW building to GREAT:

Debbie Beasley motioned to open the Public Hearing at 2:15 pm. Shaun Adams seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

With no public comment, Shaun Adams motioned to close the Public Hearing at 2:18 pm. Brian Johnson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Brian Johnson motioned to adopt the resolution for lease of the old VFW building to GREAT. Debbie Beasley seconded. Shaun Adams opposed. Motion passed 2-1.

Discuss the resolution requesting the Graham County Board of Elections hold an election regarding the Sale of Malt Beverages and unfortified wine in the Town of Robbinsville:

The Board already discussed with the public in public comment.

Approval of resolution requesting the Graham County Board of Elections hold an election regarding the sale of malt beverages and unfortified wine in the Town of Robbinsville:

Brian Johnson motioned to table the issue until we get all the correct and legal information. Debbie Beasley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Brian Johnson motioned for a five minute recess at 2:35 pm. Debbie Beasley seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Brian Johnson motioned to reopen the meeting at 2:40 pm. Debbie Beasley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Water tanks maintenance:

Alex Shelton with American Tank Maintenance discussed the Town's options for a tank maintenance agreement.

New meter system:

Mike Wallace, Brandon Stokes and Dustin Doyle with Core & Main did a new meter system presentation for the Board.

Closed session procedures:

Shaun Adams discussed closed session procedures with Town attorney Ellen Davis.

Debbie Beasley motioned for a five minute recess at 3:38 pm. Brian Johnson seconded. Motion passed. Debbie Beasley motioned to reopen the meeting at 4:00 pm. Brian Johnson seconded. Motion passed.

Security of files/Town procedures:

After discussion, Town Attorney Ellen Davis stated that the Town is currently using a public request form which is a type of control but the files need to be secured by lock.

Resolution- Graham County Tax Assessor release/discover real and personal taxes for the Town:

Brian Johnson motioned to approve the Resolution. Debbie Beasley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Graham County Tax Assessor/Eller Branch discoveries:

The Board reviewed the Graham County Tax Assessor discovery #5738, #5739, #5740 and #5741. Due to an error by the Tax office, the Graham County Tax Assessor recommended the Town to waive the penalties and fees. Brian Johnson motioned to waive all fees/penalties and adjust #5739/#5741 water/sewer charges for the discovery years. Debbie Beasley seconded. Motion passed.

Finance update – Finance Director Sonya Webster:

The Finance Director presented the November 30th, 2019 Budget vs Actual report to the Board.

The Finance Director explained that she mailed a request on December 5, 2019 to request credit card statements requested by Shaun Adams for 2016 and 2017.

Brian Johnson made a motion to accept Budget Amendment #6 - McGill invoices (\$10,064) for assistance provided during the Crown Food Mart fuel spill legal negotiations with the Tallulah Creek Water Plant issue. This Budget Amendment will result in a net decrease of the Water & Sewer Fund Balance.

The Finance Director updated the Board on the General Fund Capital Management account. The account income revenue has increased by \$450 a month, which will result in a \$5,400 annual increase in interest revenue.

Fuel purchase:

The Board discussed a fuel purchase.

Closed session:

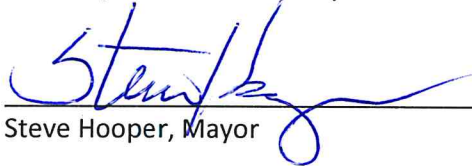
Debbie Beasley motioned to go into closed session at 4:40 pm in reference to Statue GS143-318.11(c),(a)3,6 Brian Johnson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Shaun Adams motioned to come out of closed session at 4:47 pm. Brian Johnson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.


After coming out of closed session:

Shaun Adams motioned to advertise the Maintenance Worker 1 position for two weeks with the qualifications of GED/High School diploma, drivers license and pass a drug screening test. Debbie Beasley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

With no further business, Brian Johnson motioned to adjourn at 4:49 pm. Debbie Beasley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.



Steve Hooper, Mayor



Brian Johnson, Council

Shaun Adams, Council



Debbie Beasley, Council

ATTEST:



Shari Birchfield, Deputy Clerk to the Board