

Town of Robbinsville  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
May 1, 2019

A regular Town of Robbinsville Meeting was called to order by Mayor Steve Hooper at 1:00 PM at the Town Hall on May 1, 2019.

Council present: Shaun Adams, Brian Johnson  
Council via telephone: Debbie Beasley

Others present: Steve Hooper, Mayor; Ellen Davis, Town Attorney; Sonya Webster, Finance Director; Shari Birchfield, Town Clerk; Roma Gail Collins; citizen, Annie McDonald, State Historic Preservation Office; Daniel Allison - Revonda Williams - Carolyn Stewart (1:13 PM) - Ed Satterfield, all Graham County Historical Association members; John Colwell, Revved Up.

Shaun Adams made a motion to approve Debbie Beasley to join meeting via telephone. Brian Johnson seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

Brian Johnson made a motion to approve the April 3, 2019 regular meeting minutes. Shaun Adams seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

Brian Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda. Shaun Adams seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

Old Business:

Mayor Hooper stated that Dirk Cody was going to check to see if he has the necessary pipes for the Snider Town project, he is still waiting to hear back from Mr. Cody. Brian Johnson made a motion to table this until the next meeting. Shaun Adams seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

Debbie Beasley made a motion to table the two motions to consider regarding Board procedures (Rule 22 -Quorum and Rule 2 - Special, Emergency and Recessed meetings) until the next meeting. Shaun Adams seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

New Business:

Brian Johnson made a motion to open public comment. Shaun Adams seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

Roma Gail Collins asked the status of the drain repairs on her property. Brian Johnson stated that it is in the works.

Brian Johnson made a motion to close public comment. Shaun Adams seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

Ann McDonald, Preservation Specialist with the State of North Carolina Historic Preservation Office presented an overview of the National Register of Historic places and the Historic Preservation Tax Incentives. She stated the 2019 National register study prepared for the Town of Robbinsville listed six locations as a Historic location: Phillips Motel, Robbinsville Downtown, Snider's Department Store & Bemis Lumber Company, Snider Town, the Hut, and Robbinsville First Baptist Church. These locations are in addition to the locations determined in the 1990 study: Junaluska's Grave and the Courthouse. She provided the Board with a list of National Register Consultants that can determine the cost for the Town to participate with this program.

Brian Johnson made a motion to approve the Resolution for the Downtown Associate Community Program. Debbie Beasley seconded the motion. Shaun Adams voted against. Motion passed 2-1.

Brian Johnson made a motion to approve the tax release #9741. Shaun Adams seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

Debbie Beasley made a motion for E&D Contracting to remove the trees and brush at the Tallulah Water Plant. Brian Johnson seconded the motion. Shaun Adams voted against. Motion passed 2-1.

Shari Birchfield updated the Board on the collections received from NC Local Government Debt Set-off program. Shari told the Board that the Debt Set-off program pull from the customer's NC State income tax refund and lottery winnings. She said the Town has received \$5,235.36 to date, and the Town still has outstanding collections balance of \$92,357.87 with Debt Set-off. The Finance Director thanked Shari for her hard work with these collections.

Brian Johnson made a motion to replace the garage door at the Water plant. Debbie Beasley seconded the motion. Shaun Adams voted against. Motion passed 2-1.

Shaun Adams made a motion to pay off the Ally loan for the 14 Chevrolet Traverse. Brian Johnson seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

Shaun Adams made a motion to lower the Finance Director's bonding insurance from \$120,000 to \$50,000. Debbie Beasley seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

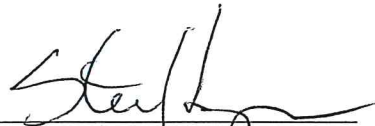
The Finance Director presented the finance update.

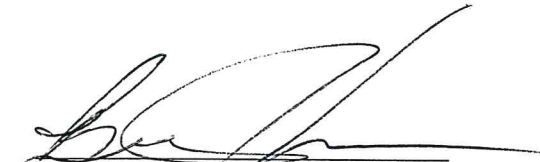
The Finance Director told the Board that the water office will be moving the cut-off list up a week each month until the cut-off day is at the day after billing, to gradually adjust the customers to our new no call cut-off procedures.


Brian Johnson reminded the Board of the Robbinsville Community Clean Up Day on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 10:00 AM.

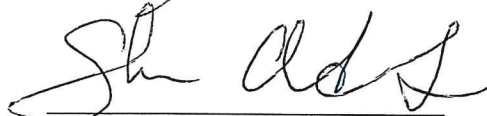
Brian Johnson made a motion to go into closed session at based on GS143-318.11(c), (a)3. Shaun Adams seconded the motion. Vote unanimous. Board came out of closed session at 2:55 PM. No decisions made during closed session.

Brian Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:56 PM. Shaun Adams seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

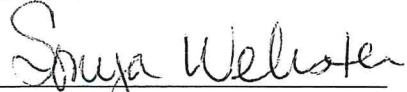
  
Steve Hooper, Mayor

  
Brian Johnson, Council Member

  
Debbie Beasley, Council Member

  
Shaun Adams, Council Member

ATTEST:

  
Sonya Webster, Clerk to the Board