

MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 6, 2016

The Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gibsonville met at 7:00 pm for a regular meeting in the Town Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Williams. Alderpersons Shepherd, Owen, Dean, and Pleasants were present. Ben Baxley, Town Manager, and Laurie Yarbrough, Town Clerk, were present. Public Works Director Rob Elliott, Police Chief Ron Parrish, Recreation Director Mike Dupree, Town Attorney Doug Hoy, Troy King with AWCK, Mr. & Mrs. Justin Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Troutman, and several citizens were in attendance.

Invocation – Alderman Owen

Alderman Owen gave the invocation. Mayor Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments

Mayor Williams presented Martha Moese Hobbs Moore of 404 Tenth St., Gibsonville, NC with a Proclamation in recognition of her 100th birthday.

Approval of Agenda

Alderman Shepherd, seconded by Alderman Owen, made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Alderman Owen, seconded by Alderman Pleasants, made a motion to approve the minutes of August 8, 2016. The motion passed unanimously.

Asset and Inventory Assessment of the Existing Sewer Distribution System Grant Resolution

Ben Baxley, Town Manager, stated the Town was in the process of applying for an Asset and Inventory Assessment of the Existing Sewer Distribution System Grant. He stated the Town could apply for up to \$150,000 with a match of 20% to be paid for by the Town. He stated they were looking at this assessment for the sewer and water systems. He stated the reason for this was to get a better idea of the Town's sewer and water system. Mr. Baxley recommended approval of the Resolution approving the Asset and Inventory Assessment of the Existing Sewer Distribution System Grant.

Alderman Owen, seconded by Alderman Shepherd, made a motion to approve the Asset and Inventory Assessment of the Existing Sewer Distribution System Grant Resolution. The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION BY GOVERNING BODY OF APPLICANT

WHEREAS, The Federal Clean Water Act Amendments of 1987 and the North Carolina the Water Infrastructure Act of 2005 (NCGS 159G) have authorized the making of loans and grants to aid eligible units of government in financing the cost of construction of wastewater collection systems and

WHEREAS, The Town of Gibsonville has need for and intends to perform an inventory and assessment of the Towns wastewater collection system. The inventory and assessment is meant to locate, identify and inventory the condition of the existing sewer distribution system and

WHEREAS, The Town of Gibsonville intends to request state grant assistance for the project,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF GIBSONVILLE:

That the Town of Gibsonville will submit an application for grant assistance for the asset and inventory assessment of the existing sewer distribution system.

That the Town of Gibsonville will provide a 20% match of the funds requested in the application toward the asset and inventory assessment. The grant request can be made in an amount up to \$150,000.

That Mayor Leonard Williams, the Authorized Official, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the Town of Gibsonville with the State of North Carolina for a grant to aid in the implementation of the project described above.

That the Authorized Official, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the appropriate State agency may request in connection with such application or the project: to make the assurances as contained above; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.

That the Town of Gibsonville has substantially complied or will substantially comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances applicable to the project and to Federal and State grants and loans pertaining thereto.

Adopted this the 6th day of September, 2016 at Town Hall in Gibsonville, North Carolina.

Mayor

Attest:

Town Clerk

Asset and Inventory Assessment of the Existing Water Distribution System Grant Resolution

Ben Baxley, Town Manager, stated the Town is in the process of applying for an Asset and Inventory Assessment of the Existing Water Distribution System Grant. He stated the Town could apply for up to \$150,000 with a match of 20% to be paid for by the Town. He stated the reason for this is to get a better idea of the Town’s water system. Mr. Baxley recommended approval of the Resolution approving the Asset and Inventory Assessment of the Existing Water Distribution System Grant.

Troy King with AWCK stated this was for mapping the system, leak detection, or whatever the Town needed. He stated this was similar to what the Town had been doing over the past year.

Alderman Shepherd, seconded by Alderman Owen, made a motion to approve the Asset and Inventory Assessment of the Existing Water Distribution System Grant Resolution. The motion passed unanimously

RESOLUTION BY GOVERNING BODY OF APPLICANT

WHEREAS, The Federal Clean Water Act Amendments of 1987 and the North Carolina the Water Infrastructure Act of 2005 (NCGS 159G) have authorized the making of loans and grants to aid eligible units of government in financing the cost of construction of drinking water distribution systems and

WHEREAS, The Town of Gibsonville has need for and intends to perform an inventory and assessment of the Towns drinking water distribution system. The inventory and assessment is meant to locate, identify and inventory the condition of the existing water distribution system and appurtenances and

WHEREAS, The Town of Gibsonville intends to request state grant assistance for the project,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF GIBSONVILLE:

That the Town of Gibsonville will submit an application for grant assistance for the asset and inventory assessment of the existing water distribution system.

That the Town of Gibsonville will provide a 20% match of the funds requested in the application toward the asset and inventory assessment. The grant request can be made in an amount up to \$150,000.

That Mayor Leonard Williams, the Authorized Official, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the Town of Gibsonville with the State of North Carolina for a grant to aid in the implementation of the project described above.

That the Authorized Official, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the appropriate State agency may request in connection with such application or the project: to make the assurances as contained above; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.

That the Town of Gibsonville has substantially complied or will substantially comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances applicable to the project and to Federal and State grants and loans pertaining thereto.

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Mayor

Attest:

Town Clerk

Approval of Loan/Grant Application from N.C. Department of Environmental Quality Grant Resolution

The Town would like to apply for a Loan/Grant from N.C. Department of Environmental Quality to provide funding for a previously approved water improvement project on Springwood Ave. and Cedar St. This Loan/Grant had a lower interest rate and the terms were more favorable; 1.4% interest rate for 20 years. He stated the application was due by September 30, 2017 and they would know if it was funded in January 2017.

Alderman Owen, seconded by Alderman Pleasants, made a motion to approve the Loan/Grant Application from N.C. Department of Environmental Quality Grant Resolution. The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION BY GOVERNING BODY OF APPLICANT

WHEREAS, The Federal Clean Water Act Amendments of 1987 and the North Carolina Water Infrastructure Act of 2005 (NCGS 159G) have authorized the making of loans and grants to aid eligible units of government in financing the cost of construction of drinking water distribution system, and

WHEREAS, The Town of Gibsonville has need for and intends to construct a drinking water distribution system project described as Springwood Avenue and Cedar Street water improvements, and

WHEREAS, The Town of Gibsonville intends to request state loan and/or grant assistance for the project,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF GIBSONVILLE:

That Town of Gibsonville will arrange financing for all remaining costs of the project, if approved for a State grant or loan award.

That the Town of Gibsonville will adopt and place into effect on or before completion of the project a schedule of fees and charges and other available funds which will provide adequate funds for proper operation, maintenance, and administration of the system and the repayment of all principal and interest on the debt.

That the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gibsonville agrees to include in the loan agreement a provision authorizing the State Treasurer, upon failure of the Town of Gibsonville to make scheduled repayment of the loan, to withhold from the Town of Gibsonville any State funds that would otherwise be distributed to the local government unit in an amount sufficient to pay all sums then due and payable to the State as a repayment of the loan.

That the Town of Gibsonville will provide for efficient operation and maintenance of the project on completion of construction thereof.

That Mayor Leonard Williams, the Authorized Official, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the Town of Gibsonville with the State of North Carolina for a loan and/or grant to aid in the construction of the project described above.

That the Authorized Official, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the appropriate State agency may request in connection with such application or the project: to make the assurances as contained above; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.

That the Town of Gibsonville has substantially complied or will substantially comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances applicable to the project and to Federal and State grants and loans pertaining thereto.

Adopted this the 6th day of September at Town Hall in Gibsonville, North Carolina.

Mayor

Attest:

Town Clerk

Discussion of Golf Carts on Town Streets – Continued

Ben Baxley, Town Manager, stated the discussion on golf carts on Town streets was continued at the last meeting. He stated the Board had asked that the Town Manager draft an Ordinance Allowing Golf Carts on Town Streets. The Town Manager presented and gave an overview of the draft Ordinance. He stated the Town Attorney is reviewing the draft Ordinance. He stated if the Board wishes to adopt the Golf Cart Ordinance, a public hearing would need to be set.

Alderman Owen asked that this be delayed 30 days to give the Board time to ask questions about the draft Ordinance; such as eighteen years old and older, require headlights (they were not to be driven after dark), etc...

Mayor Williams stated he would like to know how much this was going to cost the Town; need to know how much additional cost to the Police Department.

Alderman Owen stated he did not think it would cost the Police but six hours a year; they would not need a fulltime person.

Mayor Williams asked that this be brought back to the Board with how much it would cost. He recommended looking at Elon; they had seatbelts and mirrors on their golf carts.

Barney Mabe stated they did not have this on the golf carts; only on the Cushman's.

Alderman Pleasants stated the thought they all had headlights; for safety and to make them more visible.

Alderman Owen questioned requiring golf cart owners to have liability insurance.

Police Chief Ron Parrish stated liability insurance is required on mopeds.

Mayor Williams stated the Board relies on our Police Chief for guidance; he is the Public Safety Officer.

Justin Lawrence, Whitesell St. resident, questioned requiring a child safety seat on golf carts.

Mr. Baxley stated the Town of Cramerton did require child safety seats on golf carts.

Alderman Pleasants recommended the Board look at the draft Ordinance and make revisions and give them to the Town Manager for he and the Town Attorney to review.

Mayor Williams agreed and stated this would be continued until the October 3, 2016 meeting. He asked the Board to turn in their questions by September 16, 2016 to the Town Manager.

Mr. Baxley stated he would have the Town Attorney and Police Chief review the Board’s recommendations and present them back to the Board at the October meeting.

Mayor Williams stated the Board would discuss this further at the October meeting, the Board could set a public hearing if the Board agreed on the Ordinance.

Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 115 Peddlers & Solicitors – Continued

Ben Baxley, Town Manager, stated the discussion on Peddlers and Solicitors was continued at the last meeting. He stated he had prepared an Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 115 Peddlers & Solicitors. He explained the Amendment removed Town Clerk and replaced it with the “Town Manager or his/her designee”, added additional language to Section 115.02 Application for Permit, and added Section 115.09 Refusing to Leave, Section 115.10 Entrance to Premises Restricted, and Section 115.11 Hours of Operation. He stated the Town Attorney had reviewed the Ordinance Amendment. He stated if the Board wished to approve the Ordinance Amendment, a public hearing would need to be set for the October 3, 2016 meeting.

Mayor Williams stated this was discussed at the recent League meeting. He stated it could be done but it was recommended to be careful of any Constitutional issues.

Doug Hoy, Town Attorney, stated he did not see any Constitutional issues.

Alderman Shepherd, seconded by Alderman Owen, made a motion to set a Public Hearing for the October 3, 2016 meeting to consider the Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 115 Peddlers & Solicitors. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Acct#.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>Tax Releases</u>		
				<u>Actual</u>	<u>Release</u>	
		<u>Reduced</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Taxes</u>	<u>\$</u>	
<u>BooneStation</u>						
355136	Peter Sawyer	1615	0.00	0.00	8.24	no longer owns
637040	John Rakestraw	3270	0.00	0.00	16.68	2015 taxes, did not live in G’ville
637040	John Rakestraw	3110	0.00	0.00	15.86	does not live in G’ville
139029	Remy Russell	7490	0.00	0.00	38.20	sold boat in 2015
644512	William Holt	2000	0.00	0.00	10.20	sold boat in 2015
644679	Randy Jeffries	13,570	0.00	0.00	69.21	boat transferred to Alabama 2015
582963	David St Laurent	995	0.00	0.00	5.07	not in G’ville
659662	Clarence Pinnix	1000	0.00	0.00	5.10	listed under another account #
<u>Rock Creel</u>						
3166903	Amer. Homes 4 Rent	2164	31,603	161.17	11.04	value reduced by county
3185443	Melmark	34,874	0.00	0.00	177.86	outside town limits
3161059	Mack Wesley	45,900	25000	127.50	234.09	clerical error, house not complete 01/2015.

*Tax Releases are billing errors and value corrections made by Guilford or Alamance County; the Town gets its property values from Guilford and Alamance County Tax Departments. These are released by Guilford or Alamance County tax departments and then given our tax department to be released by our board.

Alderman Shepherd, seconded by Alderman Owen, made a motion to approve the tax releases as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Reports

a. Town Manager

Ben Baxley, Town Manager, stated the N.C. League Annual Conference was October 23, 2016; he asked Board members to let him know if they wished to attend. He stated the Community Center construction had begun with demolition. He stated there would be a construction meeting/update on September 14, 2016 at 9:00 am. He stated the USDA loan commitment would not be available for the Board's review until the October meeting. Mr. Baxley stated the Town would not be pursuing the Electrical Charging Station. He stated after looking into this there would be a continued cost to the Town and the Board had expressed not to pursue if there was a cost.

b. Mayor

Mayor Williams stated Alderman Owen, the Town Manager, and he had attended the City/County meeting held at the Burlington Airport. He stated he was very impressed by the presentation and what they were doing at the Airport. He stated anyone with the time should go to the County Commissioners Meetings; we need to have a relationship with our neighbors; need to reach out to them. He stated water and sewer needed to be run down Hwy. 70; need to bring in new development. He stated he had been told there would not be a grocery store unless there was new development.

Alderman Shepherd, seconded by Alderman Owen, made a motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.

Mayor

Attest:

Town Manager