

**TOWN OF UNIONVILLE
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

The Town Council of the Town of Unionville met on Monday, January 15, 2018 in Town Hall, 1102 Unionville Church Road, Monroe, NC. Mayor Baucom and all Commissioners were present. Town Attorney Ken Helms was also present.

Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag, after which Commissioner Price led the prayer of invocation.

Mayor Baucom called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance.

There were no public comments.

There being no corrections to the minutes of the December 18, 2017 public hearing and regular meeting and upon motion duly made by Edd Little, seconded by Gene Price, Council unanimously approved the December, 2017 minutes.

Mayor Baucom recognized Budget and Finance Officer Darrell Baucom, who reviewed the Financial Report, a copy of which is appended to these minutes. Mr. Baucom reviewed the checking account balances, stating that Total Income is under budget \$2,000 due to investment income having not matured yet, along with overages in solid waste and zoning. Expenses are under budget by \$12,000 on contributions and \$7,750 for the annual audit, as a final bill has not been received. In total, the Town is under budget \$8,000. Income is \$6,406 over budget. In Transactions By Account, items paid since last month include Roger Melton Painting, election costs of \$5,249, Helms Robinson & Lee legal fees and NFocus Planning. Please add Union County Urban Forester of \$2,489 to Pending Bills to be Paid. Mayor Baucom made inquiry as to the maturity of the Certificate of Deposit and the June rate. Mr. Baucom stated that the current rate is 1 percent and it will probably go up to 1.5 or 1.75 percent. Upon motion duly made by Ken Brown, seconded by Jaren Simpson, Council unanimously approved payment of pending bills including the additions stated above.

In considering appointments to the Planning Board, the consensus of the Council was to table the decision until the February, 2018 meeting, upon considering the attendance record of the current Planning Board members.

Mayor Baucom stated that Commissioner Brown has requested that another commissioner be appointed to serve on the twelve-seat Volunteer Fire Advisory Committee as the liaison from the Town. Commissioner Brown has been serving in this capacity for several years. Upon motion duly made by Ken Brown, seconded by Andrew Benton, Council unanimously appointed Edd Little to serve as the Town's representative on this committee.

Mayor Baucom recognized Ms. Norma Ward, who is organizing the 10th annual Music for a Cure to benefit Levine Cancer Center. She is a 44-year cancer survivor. Prior to her husband's passing from cancer in 2014, they worked together to organize this benefit.

Unionville resident Brian Hinson is helping with the bluegrass/gospel singing this year. It will be held at Benton's Cross Roads Baptist Church Family Life Center on Saturday, March 3, featuring local bluegrass bands and church choirs. She is requesting a contribution of \$100-\$500. Mayor Baucom asked how much money has been raised in the past for cancer research. Ms. Ward stated that each year \$8,000-\$10,000 has been raised. The singing began at Austin Auditorium on Wingate University's campus, and was moved to Union County Agriculture Center, and has moved to Benton's Cross Roads this year. Council will consider this request at their February 19, 2018 regular meeting.

In considering Unionville School Choice Week Proclamation, upon motion duly made by Ken Brown, seconded by Gene Price, Council unanimously adopted the proclamation.

In other business, Mayor Baucom stated that Finance Officer Darrell Baucom had the idea to recognize different citizens by implementing a "Unionville Person of the Month". Any individual or group, elementary age and older may be recognized for their social, economic or academic betterment of the community with a small plaque from the Town. A committee would consider all applicants and make the decision each month. Deputy Clerk Braswell suggested that the application be made available on the Town's web site to submit nominations, and that it be advertised on WIXE radio. Clerk Gaddy will obtain radio advertising information, and Melody Braswell will develop a recommendation application.

In other business, Clerk Gaddy has received petitions and an annexation map for the Helms Pond area. Upon motion duly made by Edd Little, seconded by Gene Price, Council approved the resolution directing clerk to investigate said petition.

There being no other business, Mayor Baucom declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sonya W. Gaddy
Clerk

Approved as to form:

R. Kenneth Helms, Jr., Town Attorney