

TOWN OF UNIONVILLE  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

The Town Council of the Town of Unionville met on Monday, October 15, 2018 at Unionville Town Hall, 1102 Unionville Church Road, Monroe, NC. Mayor Baucom and Commissioners Andrew Benton, Ken Brown, Edd Little, Jaren Simpson and Gene Price 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 Edd Little led the prayer of invocation.

Mayor Baucom called the meeting to order at 8:14 p.m. and welcomed everyone present. Upon a motion made by Edd Little, seconded by Jaren Simpson, the minutes of the September 17, 2018 regular meeting were approved.

Mayor Baucom then called on Budget and Finance Officer, Darrell Baucom, who reviewed the financial report, a copy of which is appended to these minutes. Mr. Baucom stated that on the expense side, the Town was under budget by about \$7,000.00 due to maintenance and repair and legal fees. He covered the financial activity since the Town's last meeting and then stated that the largest of the pending bills to be paid included a payment to N-Focus for consulting fees. Upon a motion made by Jaren Simpson, seconded by Ken Brown, the Council unanimously approved the payment of the pending Town's bills.

The next item on the agenda was the pending annexations. Land Use Administrator Sonya Gaddy stated that Ken Helms reached out that he was tied up with a case at the Court of Appeals and asked that we table the items regarding annexation policies and committee member regulations.

Land Use Administrator Gaddy then stated that Carroll Rushing was working on the metes and bounds and they could tentatively set a date for the public hearing for Annexation #21 next month, if the Council so chooses. Edd Little made a motion that they hold the public hearing for Annexation #21 in November at 6:45, unless the time is not available, at which point Land Use Administrator Gaddy could change the time. Jaren Simpson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to set a Public Hearing for Text Amendment #TC-18-01, Revisions to Section 238 and 239 – On-site Sewage Disposal Facilities Required. Land Use Administrator Gaddy stated that this particular amendment is one that Planning Board has been talking about. She advised Council that Jeff Broadaway was in attendance at the meeting and could answer any questions. The verbiage for the recommended change has been included as an ordinance amending the land use ordinance in section 238 and 239. This particular change addresses easements for septic issues. Land Use Administrator Gaddy advised the Council to consider setting a public hearing for the text amendment. Mayor Baucom asked if the Council would have time for that in November and if there were to be a Board of Adjustment meeting in November, he wanted to know if the hearing should be held before or after. Land Use Administrator Gaddy advised the Council that the hearing should be held before the Board of

Adjustment meeting, around 6:30; however, if there is no Board of Adjustment meeting, the hearing could be scheduled for 7:15.

Mayor Baucom then moved on to discussing the Unionville Person of the Month. Deputy Clerk Braswell asked the Council what the honor should be and when the person/people should be honored. Mayor Baucom asked what the pleasure of the Council was concerning this. It was mentioned that instead of recognizing one person each month, to offer a substantial gift. Clerk Gaddy mentioned that we could recognize the person/people at the Tree Lighting. Ken Brown stated that they should consider giving the person/people a gift card for a meal somewhere in the range of \$25. The Person of the Month Committee will meet on October 22<sup>nd</sup> and they will make their recommendations.

Clerk Gaddy then reminded Council to line up their Ethics training by October 31<sup>st</sup>. Mayor Baucom encouraged the remaining Council members to complete the training. Clerk Gaddy advised Council that she could come set it up at any time that they needed her, including after regular Town Hall hours.

Clerk Gaddy then reminded Council that the Christmas parade and tree lighting were coming up on Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. Broadway Bob from Unionville will sing before the parade and then Santa comes at the end of the parade. Clerk Gaddy encouraged Council to ride in the parade. Jaren Simpson and EddLittle told Council that they would not be in attendance. Gene Price also stated that he would be absent. Mayor Baucom stated that he would be riding in a Jeep with John Brewer.

Mayor Baucom then asked Clerk Gaddy to review the security system quotes for Town Hall. Clerk Gaddy stated that she had enclosed the quotes in their packets, but the quotes did not exactly cover the same things. Clerk Gaddy stated that she received quotes from ADT, CPI, and Video & Security Specialists. Another name submitted, but he does cameras only, and does not offer monitored security. She advised Council that she could get quotes from others if they were not pleased with the three quotes. Mayor Baucom asked Clerk Gaddy which quote she preferred? Clerk Gaddy stated that she liked Video and Security Specialists because it included the monitoring and we could have that set up. She stated that it was a local company out of Matthews. Darrell Baucom asked if there was a monthly monitoring fee. Clerk Gaddy stated that it was an annual fee of \$300. Gene Price asked if this was the cheapest monitoring. Clerk Gaddy confirmed that it was the cheapest. Ken Brown asked if it included fire protection as well. Clerk Gaddy stated that she did not think it included fire protection. Ken Brown stated that he would like to see fire protection as part of the contract. Gene Price asked if the contract included a warranty for issues with lightning or anything. Clerk Gaddy stated that she was not sure. Mayor Baucom asked if the contract should be tabled until Clerk Gaddy could look into additional fire protection. Ken Brown then asked if there was a contract included. Clerk Gaddy stated that it was not mentioned, but CPI had a 39-month contract. The issue was tabled until more information could be gathered.

Mayor Baucom opened the floor for discussion concerning the position of Grounds Maintenance. Mayor Baucom stated that he would like to keep the position open until we are able to gather more quotes. Clerk Gaddy asked if the ad should be run in the paper again, or if we should rely upon word of mouth. Ken Brown stated that he knew of one company planning to apply, but the hurricanes hindered him from getting in his application. He felt like word of mouth

would be sufficient. Mayor Baucom asked if the Board was okay with him getting another mowing lined up for the next month. Edd Little stated that he should also get someone to round up the leaves as well.

Mayor Bacuom then stated that the county commissioners are beginning discussions on the fire fee versus a fire tax. Mr. Michael James will be here next month and he will discuss how that will affect property tax and to discuss the different scenarios.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melody S. Braswell  
Deputy Clerk

Approved as to form:

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R. Kenneth Helms, Jr., Town Attorney