

TOWN OF UNIONVILLE MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

The Town Council of the Town of Unionville met at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, February 17, 2014 in Town Hall, 1102 Unionville Church Road, Monroe, NC. Mayor Simpson and all Town 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 Robert Crutch led the prayer of invocation.

Clerk Sonya Gaddy administered the Oaths of Office to Commissioners Ken Brown and Robert Crutch.

Mayor Simpson called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

There were no public comments.

There being no corrections to the minutes of the January 20, 2014 regular meeting, Mayor Simpson declared them approved as reviewed by Council.

Mayor Simpson recognized Budget and Finance Officer Darrell Baucom, who reviewed the Financial Report, a copy of which is appended to these minutes. Mr. Baucom stated that the Town's cash balance is \$108,000 and the Certificates of Deposit total \$2,300,000. On the revenue side of the Balance Sheet, the Town is favorable to budget \$4,600. On the expense side, the Town is under budget, including \$15,000 in contributions and \$11,000 in professional fees, for a total of \$27,000 under budget on expenses. The net is \$93,000 and the Town is \$32,000 favorable to budget. Pending bills represent normal activity. Upon motion duly made by Edd Little, seconded by Ken Brown, Council unanimously approved payment of pending bills.

Mayor Simpson recognized Town Attorney Ken Helms, who drew Council's attention to the draft of a resolution notifying developers of the Town's intent not to accept streets offered for dedication to the public, as North Carolina Department of Transportation will no longer take over new subdivision streets for maintenance purposes. A copy of this resolution is appended to these minutes. Mr. Helms stated that the Town has two choices—to take over street maintenance or not. If the Town decides to take over maintenance of new subdivision streets, funding must be in place. Powell Bill funds would only be available if the Town's tax rate is increased to \$.05/\$100 valuation from the current \$.02/\$100 valuation. Even so, there is no guarantee that Powell Bill funds would be in existence forever. The Town could also raise taxes further to generate income for street maintenance. Or, the Town can insist new streets be to certain standards. The issue then is inspection; the Town would need to contract with an engineer if it maintains streets. Mayor Pro-Tem Randy Baucom made inquiry as to the attached article which indicates that NCDOT continues to accept new subdivision streets in other parts of the state, such as Summerfield in Guilford County, according to secondary roads manager Delbert

Roddenberry. Upon motion duly made by Randy Baucom, seconded by Ken Brown, Council unanimously adopted the proposed resolution, including an added statement addressing Mr. Rodenberry at NCDOT and requesting the state to continue to accept maintenance of new subdivision streets in Town of Unionville.

In response to a request from Tina Sagartz with Union County Earth Day last month, Clerk Gaddy proposed a donation from Town of Unionville consisting of a basket of gift certificates from ten businesses located in or border Unionville. Each gift certificate would consist of \$25, and Piedmont Flowers would arrange them in a basket for a cost of approximately \$300.00. Upon motion duly made by Jaren Simpson, seconded by Robert Croutch, Council unanimously approved this donation.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Sonya W. Gaddy
Clerk

Approved as to form:

R. Kenneth Helms, Jr., Town Attorney