

## **TOWN OF UNIONVILLE MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Town of Unionville Town Council was held at Town Hall, 1102 Unionville Church Road, Monroe, NC at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, November 19, 2012. All of the Commissioners were present. Mayor Pro-Tem Randy Baucom sat in for absent Mayor Larry Simpson. Attorney Ken Helms was also present.

Everyone stood and recited the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag, after which Commissioner Robert Croutch led the prayer of invocation.

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

There were no comments from the public.

Upon motion duly made by Ken Brown, seconded by Robert Croutch, Council unanimously approved the minutes of the October 15, 2012 regular meeting.

Clerk Sonya Gaddy reminded the Council of the annual Christmas parade at 4:00 p.m. and tree-lighting at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 1, 2012. Miss Maggie Hamilton will be the featured guest singer and the Boy Scout Pack 169 will raise the flags and lead the pledge of allegiance. The Scouts would like to meet in Town Hall on November 27<sup>th</sup> and practice raising the flags. Council agreed with this request. She asked if Council had any suggestions to improve the parade route for safety purposes. After some discussion, Council suggested beginning the parade on Boyd Griffin Road, turning left on Unionville-Indian Trail Road and right on Unionville Road, ending in the school parking lot. Residents would need to be contacted early to let them know of the road closures. Also, signs would need to be posted for vehicles. One issue is that Boyd Griffin Road is not paved. N.C.D.O.T. representative Scott Cole agreed to look into it. Mayor Simpson agreed to drive his vehicle in the parade. Clerk Gaddy will advise where the parade will begin.

Mayor Pro-Tem Baucom recognized Budget and Finance Officer Darrell Baucom, who reviewed the financial report, a copy of which is appended to these minutes. Mr. Baucom noted that the cash balance is \$53,000. The Town is favorable on ad valorem taxes by \$3,600 and unfavorable on franchise taxes by \$2,500. Overall, income is ahead of budget \$6,000. The Town had capital outlay for the new floor of \$9,000. Contributions are under budget by \$11,000 and maintenance and repairs are over budget, due to the new back door. Legal fees and solid waste cost sharing are also under budget. Overall, expenses exceed income by \$19,000 and overall, the Town is ahead of budget \$30,000. Activity since last month includes NC League of Municipalities dues, American Solutions for business tax bills, Moyer Smith & Roller audit and various deposits. Upon motion duly made by Ken Brown, seconded by Edd Little, Council unanimously agreed to pay pending bills.

There were no objections to Clerk Gaddy's request for vacation days on December 6, 7, 20, 21 and 26.

Mayor Pro-Tem recognized NC Department of Transportation representative Scott Cole, who made a power point presentation about the Five Points intersection and the proposed roundabout for this intersection. He stated that in a roundabout, the traffic yields; it does not stop. This is the safest type of intersection. In a conventional intersection, there are 32 conflict points, and in a roundabout, there are only eight. It is somewhat costly, as it takes a large footprint. Ken Brown inquired as to who is responsible for the landscaping. Mr. Cole stated that the state can grass the center island and it will work with the Town if they want to improve it. Currently, there are 200 roundabouts in North Carolina. The design he showed is conceptual now; only 60% of the design is completed. Once construction begins, the roundabout will be complete in about 6-8 weeks. They plan to complete it in the summer of 2014. Mayor Pro-Tem Baucom made inquiry as to the width accommodating a 24-foot combine. The proposed radius is 160 feet and should accommodate a combine, but they would need to address signage issues. Ken Brown made inquiry as to exiting the store and only being allowed to go one direction. Mr. Cole confirmed that they would need to drive through the roundabout to go North on Sikes Mill Road. Mayor Pro-Tem Baucom made inquiry as to accessibility to the store on both Sikes Mill and Tom Helms Roads. Mr. Cole stated that they would have sufficient entrance and exit space on both roads. He will update us once the final drawing is approved. Ken Brown made inquiry as to a separate lane on Sikes Mill Road into Piedmont Middle School. Mr. Cole's department is working with the school on traffic improvements to avoid the necessity of a turn lane. Jaren Simpson made inquiry as to the lighting of the roundabout. Mr. Cole stated it would not be lit by the Department of Transportation, but the Town could provide lighting if they so desired.

There being no other business, and upon motion duly made by Edd Little, seconded by Robert Croutch, Council unanimously adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sonya W. Gaddy  
Clerk

Approved as to form:

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R. Kenneth Helms, Jr., Town Attorney