

TOWN OF UNIONVILLE MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

The October 18, 2010 regular meeting of the Town of Unionville was held at 7:30 p.m. in Town Hall, 1102 Unionville Church Road, Monroe, NC. Mayor Simpson and Commissioners Jim Baucom, Randy Baucom, Robert Croutch and Edd Little were present. Commissioner Ken Brown was absent. Town Attorney Ken Helms was also present.

Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag, after which Commissioner Robert Croutch led the prayer of invocation.

Mayor Simpson welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

There being no corrections to the minutes of the September 20, 2010 public hearing, regular meeting and executive session, and upon motion duly made by Randy Baucom, seconded by Edd Little, Council unanimously approved those minutes.

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 reported that the Balance Sheet reflects the donation of \$60,000 to Unionville Volunteer Fire Department last month and shows the Certificate of Deposit balances. In Budget vs. Actual, the Town is ahead of budget on taxes and contributions and under on legal and maintenance due to Barbee Lawn Care invoices for several months and the repairs made to Town Hall. The overall net income as a result of contributions is unfavorable. In the Transactions by Account, it shows payments for the fireproof safe, Parker Poe invoice, payroll taxes, Unionville Volunteer Fire Department donation and tax bill preparation cost. The final page shows Pending Bills to be Paid and the maturity of the CD's. After some discussion, Council directed Mr. Baucom to include a pressure reduction valve for the water supply and the payment of the website domain name for five years for \$55. Upon motion duly made by Randy Baucom, seconded by Edd Little, Council unanimously agreed to pay pending bills, including the ones mentioned above.

Mayor Simpson recognized Ron Williams with Piedmont High School Marching Band. Mr. Williams thanked the Council for their time. He asked for support to make the band better, as it is currently one of the best bands in the county. They will compete at the Georgia Dome in November in front of approximately 20,000 people. The PHS band consists of 97 members. Other fundraisers are doughnuts sold at home football games (\$1,000), parking cars at Lowe's Motor Speedway (\$4,000) and cookie dough sales (\$11,000) totaling \$16,000. They receive \$2,600 from the school system and \$4,500 from the state, but both will be cut next year. Band members also pay \$200 each and color guard pay \$285 each, totaling \$21,800. The most pressing need now is for tubas for next year, as they will have more tuba players than tubas, which the band provides for the student. Each tuba costs approximately \$6280 plus tax. Commissioner Randy Baucom asked if Wingate University would have a tube they could use. Mr.

Williams stated that they are hesitant to loan out their equipment. Mayor Simpson asked if they had petitioned the Towns of Fairview and Hemby Bridge. Mr. Williams stated that Fairview gave them \$1,000, but Hemby Bridge is in the Porter Ridge school district, so he has not approached them. Mayor Simpson asked when they needed funds. Mr. Williams stated that they will need to purchase the tubas next year. Mayor Simpson stated that this will be considered at the November 15, 2010 regular meeting.

Mayor Simpson recognized Jim Rowe, with Unionville American Legion Post 535. Mr. Rowe stated that the second annual Christmas parade will be held Saturday, December 4, 2010 rain or shine. Bluegrass band, "A Deeper Shade of Blue", will begin entertaining under the shelter at 1:00 p.m. and the parade will start at 4:00 p.m., with the Tree Lighting to begin at 5:00 p.m. He suggested that the Town might not want to serve refreshments this year, as they will have vendors selling food and drink. Council agreed with this suggestion. The parade will line up along C.J. Thomas Road and Unionville-Brief Road and will proceed down Unionville-Indian Trail Road to Unionville Road, where it will end in the school gym parking lot. A letter will be sent to all the neighbors affected by this along C.J. Thomas Road. Mr. Rowe stated that there will be barricades and an officer posted at Highway 601 and C.J. Thomas Road to direct traffic. Commissioner Randy Baucom asked that Cedar Grove Pentecostal Holiness Church be blockaded off. The estimated time of closure is from 1:30 – 5:00 p.m. The times will be refined as they get closer to the date of the parade. Another item to consider is if the Town would like the Legionnaires to lower the flags after the tree lighting. Council agreed to include this in the festivities. Mr. Rowe referred to the request of \$1,000 from Legion Post 535 for baseball, but asked that this be considered only if funds are not otherwise raised.

In other business, and upon motion duly made by Edd Little, seconded by Randy Baucom, Council unanimously agreed to enter into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue with its attorney, Ken Helms. Upon motion duly made by Edd Little, seconded by Robert Crutch, Council unanimously adjourned Executive Session.

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