

Minutes
Of the
Spring Hope Board of Commissioners Meeting
December 11, 2006
7:00 p.m.

Members present: Mayor Buddy Gwaltney, Commissioners Marion Clark, Bill Newkirk, Stanley Hawley and Clyde Best. Commissioner Lee Bissett was absent.

Also present: John Holpe, Town Manager; Mark Edwards, Town Attorney; Ken Ripley, Spring Hope Enterprise.

Mayor Gwaltney opened the meeting.

Commissioner Hawley made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 13, 2006. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Newkirk made a motion to enter into a Public Hearing regarding Community Development Block Grant Projects. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. David Cox with RSM Harris Associates gave an explanation of the regulations, eligible activities and proposed uses of CDBG funds that could be undertaken such as Concentrated Need, Scattered Site, Infrastructure, Economic development, and Housing Development . If the Town decides to apply, a second public hearing would be held prior to submitting an application to the NC Division of Community Assistance. The application must be filed by February 1, 2007. Commissioner Clark made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Commissioner Newkirk seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Newkirk made a motion to file an application for work on South Pine Street and Poplar Street. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hawley made a motion to approve a Resolution of Intent and set a Public Hearing date regarding closing a portion of Elm Street. Commissioner Newkirk seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Newkirk made a motion to approve a Nash County Home Repair Agreement. In March 2007, Nash County will apply for \$ 400,000 in Community Development Block Grant Scattered Site Funds through the NC Department of Commerce, for rehabilitation of low-income housing on sites throughout Nash County. The Town of Spring Hope has the option of participating or declining participation in the program. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hawley made a motion to destroy all Town Records as instructed in the Municipal Records Book. Commissioner Newkirk seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hawley made a motion to amend the Truck Parking Ordinance to read "include Commercial Trucks and Trailers. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion effective immediately and it passed unanimously.

The consideration of an ordinance requiring all homes within town to have water and sewer service before being able to occupy the home was tabled until next month.

Commissioner Best made a motion to adopt an ordinance requiring a permit for Peddlers and Solicitors to include the amended hours shall be from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Best made a motion to approve the budget adjustment of \$ 1,500 from Powell Bill Fund for the survey of Montgomery Street. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Holpe stated the Town Hall needed a Hazard Material Inspection. He had received three proposals and was waiting for all bids to come in to determine the right one. Commissioner Best made a motion to approve (2) two budget transfers from Fund Balance for a Hazard Materials Inspection of the existing town hall and a budget transfer for General Fund Contingency of \$2,000 to Street Department Maintenance Services. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Best made a motion to approve the following three (3) items: Budget Adjustment of \$5,000 to Revenues and \$5,000 to Street Maintenance Services; appropriation adjustment of New Revenue-John Bell Services into Sewer Line - Maintenance and Equipment and Budget adjustment of \$3,000 for Trash Cans from General Fund Contingency. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Holpe, Town Manager stated that the bids for the New Town Hall are out and will be opened January 9, 2007 at 2:00 pm.

Tim Denton, Chief of Police stated that he hired former officer, Curtis Hawkins.

There being no more further business, Commissioner Hawley made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Newkirk and it passed unanimously.