

Minutes
Of the
Town of Spring Hope
Board of Commissioners Meeting
August 14, 2006
7:00 pm

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

Also present: John M. Holpe, Town Manager; Mark Edwards, Town Attorney; Ken Ripley, Spring Hope Enterprise; and Amanda Clark, Nashville Graphic.

Mayor Gwaltney called the meeting to order and invocation was given by Commissioner Clark.

Commissioner Clark made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 10, 2006 with correction "Stallings Annex" instead of "Strickland Annex" Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Best made a motion to go into a Public Hearing regarding amendment to the Subdivision Ordinance in order to comply with newly adopted State Regulations. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

After some discussion Commissioner Best made a motion to close the public hearing. Commissioner Newkirk seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hawley made a motion to adopt the amended Subdivision Ordinance. Commissioner Newkirk seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Clark stated that during the Retreat Meeting, it was stated that we needed to sell the new section of Oakdale Cemetery and get out of the cemetery business and to just maintain what we have. It was agreed to put a moratorium of selling lots in the Stallings Annex Section until a decision was made. At this meeting, Commissioner Clark stated that she had given this some thought and said she was not in favor of it. She stated that we should not sale anymore lots until a survey is done. One section should be for upright tombstones with corner markers. One section should be for flat markers. Also we need to hire a surveyor to mark off driveways and walkways with shrubbery but only after it had been surveyed.

Public Forum: James Shepherd had a complaint reference to drainage on Ash and Pine Street. Mr. Holpe, Town Manager stated that he had talked to someone from the Department of Transportation and they came out and looked at the ditch. They stated that they did not think it was much of a problem. Commissioner Best stated to set a plan to correct the problem and see if the state could help us out on this problem. John Holland

stated that he was having a problem with keeping water out of his plant. Commissioner Best asked Mr. Holpe, Town Manager to contact John Gessaman with the Carolina Gateway Partnership.

Commissioner Bissett made a motion to go into Closed Session reference to a proposed settlement to Adelpia Cable Franchise. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

After a lengthy discussion, Commissioner Best made a motion to close the session and enter back into the Regular session. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hawley made a motion to approve the Adelpia Cable Franchise settlement. Commissioner Newkirk seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Town Attorney and the Town Manager gave a review of the proposed Business Incentive Grant Program. The Revitalization Board needs to make changes and bring it back to the board. Commissioner Hawley made a motion to table this discussion until the next meeting. Commissioner Best seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Ordinance on Parking of 18 Wheel vehicles in residential area was tabled until next meeting.

Commissioner Best made motion to pass a Resolution on Loitering for the Purpose of Engaging in Drug Related Activity. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Best made a motion to approve the ordinance on Curfew for Young Adults. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hawley made a motion to approve the tax discoveries and tax releases except for Danny Bryant. Commissioner Bissett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Best made a motion to approve the resolution for the Local Water Supply Plan. Commissioner Bissett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hawley made a motion to approve a \$ 25 flat marker location fee and a \$ 50 headstone location fee. Commissioner Bissett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Best made a motion to approve using Powell Bill Street funds for street paving for: Bryant Street; Wilkins Street; Cherrington Court; and sidewalk work on: South Pine at East Bunn to Branch; South Walnut Street; and East Bunn at alley to Pine

Street. Commissioner Bissett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Mr. Holpe asked to have Montgomery Street paved out of General Fund monies as it didn't qualify for Powell Bill expenditures. Mr. Holpe was advised to try to get needed Right of Way so that it would qualify under Powell Bill.

Commissioner Best made a motion not to go over \$6000 for the repairs at the depot. Commissioner Hawley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. These funds will come from fund balance and will go into the General Fund Contingency Account.

There being no further business, Commissioner Bissett made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Best seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.