

The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Littleton held a special meeting Monday, June 16, 2008, at the Town Hall. Present were Commissioners Patrick MacRae, Betty Willis, Billy Matthews and Terry Newsom and Town Attorney Gilbert Chichester. Commissioner Debnam arrived at 6:15 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was to have a budget workshop and meet with Mr. Chichester in executive session.

Mayor Hawfield called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Commissioner Willis made a motion, seconded by Commissioner MacRae to enter into executive session pursuant to NCGS 143-18.11(a)(3) to consult with Town Attorney concerning the Library lease. The motion was voted and carried.

The special session reconvened at 6:25 p.m.

Commissioner Willis made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Debnam, to authorize the Town Attorney to contact Mr. Mann's attorney to request Mr. Mann honor the lease and, if not, authorize the Town Attorney to seek legal redress on behalf of the Town. The motion was voted and carried.

Mayor Hawfield advised the tax rate would stay the same as last year and salaries would be increased 2.5%. Mayor Hawfield advised he had changed the budget to include \$4,200.00 for the Library lease in case it was necessary and that increase would change the fund balance appropriated. The Board discussed numerous aspects of the budget but made no additional changes.

Commissioner Willis made a motion, seconded by Commissioner MacRae to adjourn at 7:02 p.m. The motion was voted and carried.

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General Account and Minutes of Executive Session Pursuant to NCGS 143-318(a)(3)

Town Attorney Gilbert Chichester discussed options for pursuing a settlement on the Library Lease disagreement with Mr. Mann. The Town maintained the lease was renewable for an additional 5 years at \$1.00/year and Mr. Mann was of the opinion the lease was renewable but he could increase the cost of the lease.

Commissioner Newsom made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Willis, to return to the special session at 6:25 p.m. The motion was voted and carried.

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