The Littleton Board of Commissioners held a special meeting Thursday, January 3, 2013, at 3:30 pm, at Littleton Town Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to consult with the Town attorney and engineer, and take care of any other business brought before the Board. Present were Commissioners Clara Debnam, Gerleen Pitchford, Terry Newsom, Heidi Hogan and Jimmy Kearney, Town Attorney Gilbert Chichester, Town Engineer Mark Russell and associate Scott Bumgarner and Water/wastewater Superintendent Keith Hamm.

Mayor Bobbitt called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm and stated the meeting was to discuss the water and sewer problems.

Mr. Chichester advised they were meeting because of the problems with contract work that Mack Gay Associates was hired to oversee. Mayor Bobbitt added that citizens wanted answers and the problem was not being fixed. Mr. Chichester stated the Town needed to know what had been done and what Mack Gay Associates was going to do and when; he had been asked to pursue legal action.

Mr. Chichester asked the Board to enter into closed session at 3:34 pm and Commissioner Pitchford made a motion seconded by Commissioner Kearney, to enter into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a) (3) to consult with the town attorney. The motion was voted and carried. Mr. Chichester requested Mr. Russell, Mr. Bumgarner and Mr. Hamm remain for the closed session.

The special session resumed at 4:35 pm.

Mr. Chichester recapped by stating the Board had discussed water and sewer contracts the Town had with contractors, subcontractors and the engineer. In response to recommendation by Mr. Chichester, Commissioner Hogan made a motion seconded by Commissioner Pitchford, to ask the Town Attorney to pursue legal action to recoup damages the Town has suffered and will suffer in the future. The motion was voted and carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:37 pm.

Clerk

<u>General Account and Minutes of Closed Session Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a) (3) to consult</u> with attorney

The Board met with the Town Attorney and Engineer to discuss and receive advice on how to proceed with resolving problems with work done under contract, including legal actions.

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