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AGENDA

1. Call work session to order at **5:00 p.m.**
2. Discuss progress on building for Library.
3. Internet Café's.
4. Discuss Budget.
5. **Resolution Approving Water Shortage Response Plan (R-10-006).**
6. Privilege Licenses.
7. Adjourn.

Next regular meeting scheduled Monday, May 3, 2010 at 6:30.*

The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Littleton held a work session Monday, April 19, 2010, at the Town Hall. Commissioners present were Patrick McAtee-MacRae, Clara Debnam, Jimmy Kearney, Heidi Hogan, and Terry Newsom. Mayor Willis called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Following Mayor Willis explaining a Water Shortage Response Plan had been done a couple years ago and was required by the State, Commissioner MacRae made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Debnam, to adopt the Resolution **Approving Water Shortage Response Plan (R-10-006)**. The motion was voted and carried.

Mayor Willis presented three proposals for replacing a discharge pipe at the Waste Water Treatment Plant that was supposed to extend half way across Butterwood Creek, Roanoke Builders \$4,765.00, Annie's Construction \$1,500.00 and Myrick Equipment Services \$1,500.00. In the discussion that followed Mayor Willis suggested hiring Jay Myrick. Commissioner Kearney made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hogan, to go with Myrick Equipment Services for \$1,500.00. The motion was voted and carried.

Following discussion on the Mutual Aid Agreement, including that its adoption was necessary to receive FEMA funds, it was the consensus of the Board that a motion wasn't necessary to authorize the Mayor to sign the updated "North Carolina Statewide Emergency Management Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement".

Following a question from Commissioner Debnam, a discussion followed about emergency shelters in Littleton or the lack thereof.

The Board had a lengthy discussion on changing the cost of Privilege licenses, including having a set rate of \$25.00 except for state mandated rates and the police department helping to enforcing the ordinance. The Board also discussed bank interest rates, raising taxes, new businesses opening, and that May was clean up month and what could be done to keep Ferguson Street clean. Commissioner Hogan, made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Debnam to rework the Privilege Licenses Schedule, to charge \$25.00 for a general business license. The motion was voted and carried.

The Board discussed the gaming issue with internet cafes or internet sweepstakes and changing ordinances. The Clerk advised changing a general Code of Ordinances could be done anytime but Zoning Ordinances required two public hearings, the Board agreed to go forward with changing the Zoning Ordinance to remove reference to Board of Adjustment fees, making the fee schedule separate from the ordinance.

Mayor Willis advised she would be working with the Board on the budget.

Following discussion, Commissioner MacRae made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Newsom to enter into closed session to discuss property acquisition pursuant to NCGS 143-18.11(a)(5) at 5:47 pm. The motion was voted and carried.

The work session resumed at 6:16 p.m.

In response to a question, Mayor Willis explained that TA Loving had released one crew (subcontractor) and had hired Freddie Williamson.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Clerk

General Account and Minutes of Closed Session Pursuant to NCGS 143-318(a)(5)

The closed session convened at 5:50 p.m.

Mayor Willis briefly referenced a grant application and the Board discussed progress on and various aspects of the acquisition of a property for the Town.

Commissioner Newsom made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hogan, to return to the work session at 6:16 p.m. The motion was voted and carried.

Clerk