

Town of Franklin Board of Aldermen

Agenda

September 3, 2013

7:00 p.m.

1. Call to order- Mayor Collins.
2. Approval of the August 5, 2013 Town Board minutes.
3. Public session.
  
4. New business
  - A.) Proclamation for Constitution Week 2013- Shelah Portoukalian
  - B.) Presentation on Southwestern Community College- Dr. Don Tomas
  - C.) Presentation by Applicants for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Non-Profit Funding Pool.
  - D.) Resolution Honoring S. Ellis Hankins - Town Manager Warren Cabe.
  - E.) Proclamation for International Institute of Municipal Clerks- Town Manager Warren Cabe.
  - F.) Set public hearing for Pauline Avenue II re-zoning request- Land Use Administrator Derek Roland.
  - G.) Lease on Old Town Land Fill- Town Manager Warren Cabe
  - H.) Tax Release- Town Manager Warren Cabe
  - I.) Update on Street Maintenance Ranking System- Town Manager Warren Cabe.
  
5. Legal
  - A.) Town of Franklin Attorney Contract- John Henning Jr.
  
6. Set continuation meeting for Monday September 23, 2013 at 5:30p.m.

**September 3, 2013**

The regular meeting of the Town of Franklin Board of Aldermen was held on Tuesday, September 3, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Hall Board Room. Mayor Joe Collins presided. Aldermen Verlin Curtis, Joyce Handley, Farrell Jamison, Billy Mashburn, Carolyn Pattillo and Bob Scott were present.

**Approval of the Minutes**

**Motion was made by Handley, seconded by Jamison to approve the minutes for the August 5, 2013 meeting as presented. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.**

**Public Session**

Dan Williams – Dogwood Drive needs to be cleaned up.

Angela Moore – I would like to thank each nonprofit for the services they provide to our community. I am here tonight to ask the Town Board to reconsider their decision to give tax dollars to nonprofit organizations. The Town Board should consider placing this money back in the Town of Franklin's general fund. If the Town Board did this they could lower taxes.

**New Business – Proclamation for Constitution Week**

**Motion was made by Scott, seconded by Curtis to proclaim September 17 – 23, 2013 as Constitution Week in Franklin. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0. A copy of the proclamation is attached.**

**New Business – Resolution Honoring S. Ellis Hankins**

**Motion was made by Handley, seconded by Pattillo to approve a resolution honoring S. Ellis Hankins of the North Carolina League of Municipalities for faithful service and lasting contributions to municipal government. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0. A copy of the resolution is attached.**

**New Business – Proclamation for International Institute of Municipal Clerks**

**Motion was made by Scott, seconded by Mashburn to proclaim support for the City of Greensboro to host the 2018 International Institute of Municipal Clerks Annual Conference to be held sometime in May. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0. A copy of the proclamation is attached.**

**September 3, 2013 meeting continued,**

**New Business – Public Hearing for Pauline Avenue II Rezoning Request**

**Motion was made by Curtis, seconded by Pattillo to set a public hearing for the Pauline Avenue II rezoning request for Monday, October 7, 2013 at 7:10 P.M. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.**

**New Business – Presentation of Southwestern Community College**

Dr. Don Tomas - Southwestern Community College is seeing an increase in the number of students attending the Cecil Groves Center located at the Macon County campus. This year alone there has been a 7.3 percent growth in the number of students. There has also been a 2.0 percent increase in the number of course hours students are taking. The college is working to secure grants from various state and local organizations to help expand programs.

**New Business – Presentations by Applicants for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Nonprofit Funding Pool**

Angel Medical Center – Don Capaforte – Our request is for \$5,000.00. It will be used for medication assistance for low income patients and senior citizens living inside the town limits of Franklin.

Community Care Clinic of Franklin – Franklin Ingram – Our request is for \$10,000.00. It will be used for operating costs associated with the clinic. For three years the clinic received funding from the North Carolina Department of Rural Health. The funds have been depleted.

Franklin Garden Club – Susan Simmons – Our request is for \$3,000.00. It will be used for upgrades and maintenance to the Clock Tower and Rankin Square. We try to make the gardens at the Clock Tower and Rankin Square one of the highlights of the downtown area.

KIDS Place – Alisa Ashe – Our request is for \$5,000.00. It will be used to provide services to child victims of abuse. KIDS Place conducts forensic interviews, medical evaluations, trauma focused therapy, case management and community education for abused children.

Macon County Care Network – Shaina Adkins – Our request is for \$5,000.00. \$3,700.00 will be used for an air conditioning unit in the food pantry warehouse. \$1,300.00 will be used to assist residents with water bills.

Macon County Habitat for Humanity – Rick Westerman – Our request is for \$5,000.00. It will be used to rehabilitate housing. The funding will be used to build wheel chair ramps, roof repairs and other improvements in terms of accessibility.

## **September 3, 2013 meeting continued,**

Macon County Historical Society Museum – Bob Poindexter – Our request is for \$5,000.00. It will be used for renovations on the third floor of the museum. We did not receive last year funding that was allotted to the museum. We would like to formally request this funding at this time.

Macon County Public Library – Carol Bryce – Our request is for \$5,000.00. It will be used for the Reading Rover. It goes to six child care centers each month.

R.E.A.C.H. of Macon County – Jennifer Turner Lynn – Our request is for \$5,000.00. It will be used for court advocacy, counseling and shelter costs. We provide services to victims and children of domestic violence and sexual assault. In the past year we provided shelter to fifty-four women and children. We provided 5,475 meals to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Read2Me – Gary Dills – Our request is for \$6,000.00. It will be used for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library. The library delivers one book per month to a child from birth to the age of five.

Scottish Tartans Museum – Nancy Deeks – Our request is for \$2,829.25. It will be used to purchase a security system and one year basic digital security service for the museum. This museum is the only one in the world besides the one located in Scotland. We need to borrow exhibits from other museums and will be able to do so with a security system.

Smoky Mountain Pregnancy Care Center – Jenny Golding – Our request is for \$4,000.00. It will be used to educate the public about pregnancy and parenting. Today the center did three pregnancy tests.

The Board took no action.

### **Recess**

Mayor Collins recessed the meeting at 8:20 P.M.

Mayor Collins reconvened the meeting at 8:25 P.M.

**September 3, 2013 meeting continued,**

**New Business – Lease on Old Land Fill**

Warren Cabe – Town Manager – We still own the property where the old land fill is located. Macon County is leasing this property. A charter club of the Academy of Model Aeronautics called Franklin 111/C Flyers is using the property as an airfield for model airplanes. Macon County wants to enter into a lease with this group. We need to be a part of the lease.

John Henning, Jr. – Town Attorney – I have reviewed the agreement and it is more of a license agreement. This agreement would protect the Town if someone gets hurt on the property.

**Motion was made by Scott, seconded by Jamison to approve the license agreement as presented between the Town of Franklin, Macon County and the Franklin 111/C Flyers #4643. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0. A copy of the agreement is attached.**

**New Business – Tax Release**

Warren Cabe – Town Manager – Thomas C. Cole's property was annexed into town. This Parcel #6594456703 is a total of 7.75 acres. Only 1.75 acres of this parcel is inside town according to the Macon County tax records. Mr. Cole has sent a written request asking for a release.

**Motion was made by Handley, seconded by Pattillo to release the portion outside the town limits in the amount of \$593.35 from Thomas C. Cole's tax bill. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.**

**New Business – Update on Street Maintenance Ranking System**

Warren Cabe – Town Manager – Land Use Administrator Derek Roland and I have started ranking the streets. At next month's meeting we will be presenting more information on the streets needing repairs.

**Legal – Attorney Contract**

Warren Cabe – Town Manager – John Henning, Jr. is currently under contract as the Town attorney. His contract has expired and he is currently working month to month. The new contract is exactly the same as the one you approved in 2009. The term of the contract remains at three years with a one year option. My recommendation is to approve the contract.

**Motion was made by Jamison, seconded by Handley to approve the contract with Henning and Henning Law Firm for three years beginning on September 3, 2013 with a one year option. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.**

**September 3, 2013 meeting continued,**

**Other Business**

Departmental reports are attached.

**Continuation of Meeting**

**At 8:45 P.M., motion was made by Handley, seconded by Pattillo to continue the September 3, 2013 meeting to Monday, September 23, 2013 at 5:30 P.M. in the Town Hall Board Room. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.**

**Call to Order of the September 3, 2013 Continuation Meeting**

The regular September 3, 2013 meeting of the Town of Franklin Board of Aldermen was continued at 5:30 P.M., Monday, September 23, 2013 in the Town Hall Board Room. Mayor Joe Collins presided. Alderman Verlin Curtis, Joyce Handley, Farrell Jamison, Billy Mashburn, Carolyn Pattillo and Bob Scott were present.

**New Business – Street Closing Request**

Linda Schlott – Main Street Coordinator – Johnny Waldroop wants to do a car event at the gazebo.

Johnny Waldroop – We have a car event once a month on a Friday night. We have been parking our cars at Sonic where the public can come. We have gotten too big for this location. We would like to start using the location where Pickin’ on the Square is done. Our plans are to do an event on October 11, 2013 from 6:00 P.M. to 9:30 P.M.

**Motion was made by Handley, seconded by Pattillo to close Main Street and Iotla Street for the car event on October 11, 2013 from 6:00 P.M. to 9:30 P.M. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.**

**New Business – Tax Release**

**Motion was made by Pattillo, seconded by Curtis to release \$175.69 on Stanley Eugene Schauf property located at 460 Trimont Trail due to the age exemption approved by Macon County. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0. Information copies are attached.**

**New Business – Discussion on the Nonprofit Funding Pool Applications**

Warren Cabe – Town Manager – The total request for funds totaled \$68,829.25. We only have \$40,000.00 budgeted. I adjusted two requests down to \$5,000.00 since \$5,000.00 is the maximum amount that can be given according to the rules. I then adjusted the amounts to seventy-four percent to get the amounts below \$40,000.00. A copy is attached.

September 3, 2013 meeting continued,

After some discussion, motion was made by Pattillo, seconded by Scott to give the following allocations:

Angel Medical Center	\$3,700.00
Community Care Clinic of Franklin	\$3,700.00
Franklin Garden Club	\$1,870.75
KIDS Place	\$3,700.00
Macon County Care Network	\$3,700.00
Macon County Habitat for Humanity	\$3,700.00
Macon County Historical Society Museum	\$3,700.00
Macon County Public Library	\$3,700.00
R.E.A.C.H.	\$3,700.00
Read2Me	\$3,700.00
Scottish Tartans Museum	\$1,869.25
Smoky Mountain Pregnancy Care Center	\$2,960.00

Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.

**New Business – Macon County Historical Society Museum – Allocation FY 2012-2013**

Robert Shook – Macon County Historical Society Museum - I have been doing permanent displays at the museum. Two rooms on the third floor have been finished. I do not know the circumstances about the funding from last year.

Warren Cabe – Town Manager – The museum should have provided paid invoices to the Town. We received the paid invoices in July 2013. Also, their contract had not been signed. One option is to tell them it too late to receive these funds. Option two is to authorize the manager to sign the contract and take the \$5,000.00 out of contingency.

Motion was made by Scott, seconded by Handley to authorize Town Manager Warren Cabe to sign the contract, to pay the \$5,000.00 and to do a budget amendment out of contingency. Motion carried. Vote: 4 to 2. Voting yes: Handley, Jamison, Pattillo and Scott. Voting no: Curtis and Mashburn.

**Adjournment**

Motion was made by Handley, seconded by Curtis to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 P.M. Motion carried. Vote: 6 to 0.

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Joe Collins, Mayor

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Janet A. Anderson, Town Clerk

