

Minutes
Mocksville Board of Commissioners
Regular Board Meeting
December 7, 2010

The Town of Mocksville Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, December 7, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. in the Mocksville Town Hall.

Present:	Mayor F.W. Slate	Absent:	None
Commissioners Present:	Richard Broadway Buster Cleary Bill Foster Will Marklin Lash Sanford		

Others Present:

Christine W. Bralley, Town Manager
Beth N. Thompson, Administrative Assistant
Brian Williams – Acting Town Attorney
Mark Allred – NWPCOG
Andrew Meadwell, Davie Development
Jerry Myers – Davie County EMS Director
Jackie Seabolt – Davie County Enterprise Record

Mayor F.W. Slate called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Lash Sanford to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2010 Regular Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Will Marklin and approved by a unanimous vote.

Public Comment – None

Public Hearing – Occupancy Tax

Manager Bralley informed the board of the Resolution implementing a three per cent (3%) Tourism Occupancy Tax within the Town of Mocksville. The public hearing has been advertised as required.

Mayor Slate opened the Public Hearing for anyone speaking in favor of the Occupancy Tax. With no one speaking in favor of the Occupancy Tax, Mayor Slate asked for anyone speaking in opposition to the tax.

Vinod Patel, owner of Highway Inn, spoke in opposition to the occupancy tax. He told the board when he opened the business in 1997 he began paying a three percent occupancy tax that was collected by the county. He was concerned about paying the same tax twice for the same purpose. Patel stated he would like to have a memorandum in writing from the state saying that both the county and the Town of Mocksville can collect the three percent tax.

Attorney Brian Williams, standing in for attorney Hank Van Hoy, told Patel that the general assembly has said that a county or town can impose an occupancy tax of up to six percent.

A motion was made by Commissioner Buster Cleary to approve the Resolution implementing a three percent (3%) Tourism Occupancy Tax within the Town of Mocksville. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Will Marklin and approved by a unanimous vote.

Mocksville Tourism Development Authority and Bylaws

A motion was made by Commissioner Will Marklin to approve the Town of Mocksville Tourism Development Authority Bylaws. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Richard Broadway and approved by a unanimous vote.

Town of Mocksville Grease Interceptor Ordinance

Manager Bralley informed the Board of an amendment to the current Grease Interceptor Ordinance. The main changes include more definitions that will explain who the people are that need assistance with grease facilities. The other changes include different violations, penalties and enforcements. Public Works will go onsite and explain the ordinance and violations to the customer.

A motion was made by Commissioner Buster Cleary to approve the amendment to the Town of Mocksville Grease Interceptor Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Will Marklin and approved by a unanimous vote.

Comprehensive Transportation Plan

The recommended Comprehensive Transportation Plan was presented to the board. Mark Allred attended the NWPCOG and stated that the plan was approved on the recommendation that the Town Board approve it also. Commissioner Marklin stated that the plan was looked at and included a lot of information. He liked this plan because it avoids the city limits.

A motion was made by Commissioner Will Marklin to approve the Comprehensive Transportation Plan as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lash Sanford and approved by a unanimous vote.

Code of Ethics for the Board of Commissioners for the Town of Mocksville, North Carolina

The purpose of the Code of Ethics is to establish guidelines for ethical standards of conduct for the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Mocksville and to help determine what conduct is appropriate in particular cases. It should not be considered a substitute for the law or for a board member's individual judgment. Each Board member was required to take the Code of Ethics Class.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bill Foster to approve the Code of Ethics for the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Mocksville. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Buster Cleary and approved by a unanimous vote.

Mayor Slate proclaimed Saturday, December 11, 2010 as Davie High School War Eagles Football Team Day. Slate stated this is a historic event for the football team to compete in the State Championship. The board sends well wishes and congratulations to the team. The Mayor encouraged residents to line the streets and wave the team on.

Davie County Emergency Management Mitigation Plan

Jerry Myers, Davie County's Emergency Coordinator stated that the plan is a direct result of the Robert E. Stafford Act that deals with recovery from disasters. The plan includes guidelines with an update of floodplain maps that the town board has already adopted. It also includes two disasters that happened in Davie County, the tornados that hit the eastern part of the county and the Davie Place Fire. The last plan was adopted in 2005. An update must be approved every 4-5 years.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lash Sanford to approve the Davie County Emergency Management Mitigation Plan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Will Marklin and approved by a unanimous vote.

Manager's Report

Andrew Meadwell with Davie Development has implemented a no charge permit policy.

The Northwest Piedmont Council of Government is still waiting to hear from the Governor's Office in reference to the merging of the COG.

The Town of Mocksville certified to participate in the 2010 Scattered Site Housing Program. A request of \$400,000 Community Development Block Grant funding has been made for Davie County. Mocksville has four (4) residents to apply.

Commissioner Marklin, Manager Bralley and Andrew Meadwell attended a very informative Greenway meeting in Mt. Airy.

Attorney Brian Williams gave an update on Town Attorney Hank Van Hoy and his recent surgery.

Manager Bralley extended thanks to Brian for his help while Attorney Van Hoy has been out.

Commissioner Sanford attended the Fire Department Dinner and went over the Department report with the board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bill Foster to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Buster Cleary and approved by a unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bill Foster to close the Executive Session and go back into the Town of Mocksville Regular Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Buster Cleary and approved by a unanimous vote.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Commissioner Will Marklin to adjourn the December 7, 2010 Regular Town Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bill Foster and approved by a unanimous vote.

Mayor

Town Clerk