

**Town of Mocksville  
Regular Board Meeting  
January 9, 2018**

The Town of Mocksville Board of Commissioners met for the Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Mocksville Town Hall.

<b>Present:</b>	Mayor, Will Marklin	<b>Absent:</b>	None
<b>Commissioners Present:</b>	Brian Williams Eric Southern Amy Vaughan-Jones Brent S.Ward Rob Taylor		

**Others Present:**

Marcus Abernethy, Town Manager  
Lynn Trivette, Town Clerk  
Al Benschhoff, Town Attorney  
Todd Penley, Police Chief  
Tami Langdon, Community Development Coordinator  
Frank Carter, Fire Chief  
Mike West, Public Works Director

Mayor, Will Marklin called the meeting to order welcoming everyone in attendance.

The Town of Mocksville Board paused for a moment of silence.  
Mayor, Will Marklin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Agenda**

*A motion was made by Commissioner, Rob Taylor to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Brian Williams and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0*

**Approval of Minutes**

*A motion was made by Commissioner, Brent S. Ward to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2017 Regular Board Meeting and December 5, 2017 Executive Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Eric Southern and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0*

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Brown expressed her thanks to the Board relating to the MLK Jr. Blvd sign. She invited everyone to attend the dedication at the MLK Program starting at 12 noon at the Court Square January 15, 2018. People will be walking, and there will also be a bus.

## **Annexation Petition -187 Koontz Road**

The property owners at 187 Koontz Road has filed a petition for annexation and the NC General Statute outlines a specific process for annexation to take place and the first step is for the Board to instruct the Town Clerk to inspect the parcel for sufficiency. A certificate of sufficiency would be issued for the next meeting and the town Board would schedule a public hearing. The public hearing would be advertised and held and at the following meeting the Board would pass an ordinance to extend corporate limits to this parcel into the town limits.

*A motion was made by Commissioner, Amy Vaughan-Jones to have the Planning Board study this annexation petition at 187 Koontz Road. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Rob Taylor with Commissioner, Brian Williams voting against. 4-1*

*A motion was made by Commissioner, Rob Taylor to instruct the Town Clerk to inspect the parcel for 187 Koontz Road for sufficiency. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Brian Williams with Commissioner, Amy Vaughan-Jones voting against. 4-1*

## **PTRC BOD Commissioner Appointment**

NWPRPO has given the Board a written notice that it is time to consider re-appointment for the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC). The current TAC representative is Commissioner, Brent S. Ward and he keeps the town informed of the status and requirements of the transportation planning process, and helps to insure meaningful public participation in the rural transportation process. The town can also appoint an alternate to serve in his/her place in case the TAC representative cannot attend a meeting.

*A motion was made by Commissioner, Rob Taylor to re-appoint Commissioner, Brent S. Ward as the towns TAC representative. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Eric Southern and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0*

*A motion was made by Commissioner, Eric Southern to appoint Commissioner, Brian Williams as the towns alternate TAC representative. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Rob Taylor and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0*

## **Discussion of Mocksville Christmas Parade**

The Chamber currently holds the Christmas Parade the Saturday before Thanksgiving. The objective behind the date is to entice people to come downtown Mocksville like they do for the bed race. These events give the businesses a head start before the holiday season prior to Black Friday. The Chamber said it would be difficult for them to facilitate a parade on a December date.

Staff recommended a survey to see what others think within the community. One business owner Commissioner, Ward spoke with said leave the bed race where it is and have the parade the first weekend in December. A December parade would motivate people during the holidays. Bed race brings people to Mocksville, but the people would like several weekend events during December.

Tami stated, December events include: Winterfest, Horse and Buggy rides and Carolers. Three Saturdays are left in December and she would like to see a tree lighting event. Tami was asked if she could facilitate the Christmas parade in December and she recommended a co-op program with the Town, Chamber and Arts Council which would be a good solution.

The town does not have the staff or volunteers to do the parade. Commissioner, Amy Vaughan-Jones is concerned the Chamber does not want to change the date. She is also concerned that the town does not have the staff to felicitate the parade, so we might not need to have one. The town either changes the date to December or not. Why wait until the next meeting to discuss more? We have been talking about this for three years.

Commissioner, Brent S. Ward feels it's the Board's duty to carry out what the citizens want and that is to move the parades date to December. Try and get a plan together with volunteers and co-op and if they don't work we will go to plan B.

*A motion was made by Commissioner, Amy Vaughan-Jones to move the Christmas Parade to a December date. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Brent S. Ward and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0*

### **Discussion of Technology Updates**

No action taken.

### **Resolution ED Gildan Drive Red LG Loan Energy United**

This resolution approves grant participation in the REDLG program for a USDA 10-year zero interest loan up to \$1,000,000 in collaboration with the County, for the Project conditioned upon LGC approval, and request the County to cost share at least \$500,000, and the Developer providing an irrevocable letter of credit to the Town, and the execution of the Agreements for Economic Development Assistance and the Developer. This is contingent upon the Town, County, and the Developer being able to obtain and use the loan from REDLG. This project would allow 70 acres of new industrial property to be developed. The investment will yield the potential for hundreds of new jobs from the tract and will result in an increase of the tax base. Currently outside town limits and this would be no cost to the town.

*A motion was made by Commissioner, Brian Williams to adopt the resolution authorizing the expenditure of funds for an economic development project and approving an agreement with the County of Davie, the Town and Windsor Development. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Rob Taylor and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0*

*A motion was made by Commissioner, Brian Williams to instruct the Town Clerk to inspect the parcel for ED Gildan Drive for sufficiency. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Rob Taylor and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0*

### **Amendment to Utility Relocation Agreement – NCDOT-Hwy 601 Utility Relocation Reimbursements**

6" DIP Waterline and 8" DIP Sewer relocation along Main Street (Hwy 601) and S. Salisbury Street due to Roadway Construction, \$537,000. NCDOT have been back and fourth on this project to see how they want to do it.

*A motion was made by Commissioner, Rob Taylor to approve the US 601 and Salisbury Street Intersection Water and Sewer Improvements; Utility Replacement Agreement. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Amy Vaughan-Jones and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0*

The design process has been more complex and time consuming than envisioned. NCDOT has revised the scope of work and contacting method several times. This has cost Willis Engineers to exceed their budget. The increase would be included in the Utility Relocation Agreement and should be eligible for reimbursement by the NCDOT.

*A motion was made by Commissioner, Amy Vaughan-Jones to approve the Engineer's compensation increase from \$31,000 to \$46,000 to cover design costs. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Eric Southern and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0*

### **Adoption of the Budget Calendar**

The item was tabled until the February meeting. The Manager announced he is working with the PTRC COG to use their retreat facilitation resources and that the item would be discussed again at the next meeting.

### **Monthly and Departmental Reports**

Manager's Report

Marcus Abernethy

Christmas party went well, and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. A lot of activity going on these days with structural fires and water leaks. Really impressed with town staff and their services that they provide. Six-months into the budget year so we are starting to prepare for the needs of the town in the up and coming new year. Proud of the police department for getting a grant for the police canine.

Discussion: Who is the Board of Adjustments? Don't use often but needs to stay separate from the Planning Board. We need to fill an appointment on the Board of Adjustments.

Parks Department  
Police Department  
Fire Department  
Public Works Department  
CDC  
Water Plant  
Envirolink Report  
Willis Engineers Status Report

Rustin Harpe  
Todd Penley  
Frank Carter  
Mike West  
Tami Langdon  
Tom Johnson  
Heather Adams  
Chuck Willis

Budget Revenue Report  
Budget Expenditure Report  
Code Enforcement Report  
Building Permit Activity Report

Marcus Abernethy

## **Commissioner Comment Period**

Will Marklin – Remember the Board is invited to the MLK Jr. Program. Thank you for coming out to the new park dedication today. I also spoke with someone about getting WiFi at the park today.

Brent S. Ward – I would like an update on the mast arm pole construction so I can let our citizens know.

Marcus says the NCDOT created a November PO and the design work is completed. It could be 6 weeks or 6 months.

Brian Williams – Thanks for the staff the town has and thanks to the citizens that come to speak at the meetings.

Amy Vaughan-Jones – Downtown looked so nice at Christmas time, thanks to Tami, Public Works, Fire Department and Police Department.

Eric Southern – Thank you citizens for coming tonight and thank you staff for what you do.

Rob Taylor -

Motion to enter closed session per NC GS 143-318.11 (a)(3) and (6), to preserve the attorney-client privilege, and to discuss personnel matters.

*A motion was made by Commissioner, Brian Williams to enter close session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Rob Taylor and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0*

Motion to re-enter into open session.

*A motion was made by Commissioner, Brian Williams to re-enter into open session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Rob Taylor and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0*

## **Adjourn**

*A motion was made by Commissioner, Brian Williams to adjourn the January 9, 2018 Regular Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Rob Taylor and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0*

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William J. Marklin, Mayor

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Lynn Trivette, Town Clerk ,NCCMC