Town of Mocksville Regular Board Meeting June 4, 2019

The Town of Mocksville Board of Commissioners met for the Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Mocksville Town Hall.

Present: Mayor, Will Marklin **Absent**:

Commissioners Present: Eric Southern

Brent S.Ward Rob Taylor Brian Williams Amy Vaughan-Jones

Others Present:

Matt Settlemyer, Town Manager Lynn Trivette, Town Clerk Al Benshoff, Town Attorney Pat Reagan, Police Chief Ray Moore, Assistant Fire Chief Brian Moore, Public Services Director Tami Langdon, Community Development

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

The Town of Mocksville Board paused for a moment of silence.

Mayor Marklin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams to add a budget amendment 7C to the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Taylor which carried by a unanimous vote 5-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Southern which carried by a unanimous vote 5-0.

Citizen Comments

Marcus Abernethy addressed the Town Board concerning street maintenance on Eli Avenue. Eli Avenue to his knowledge has not been voted on to receive street maintenance and streets lights are needed. Marcus is petitioning the Town Board to vote to accept Eli Avenue an addition to the street maintenance schedule, making it a Town maintained street.

Jane Blue from the library addressed the Town Board mentioning the summer reading program and indoor planetarium called a Star Lab. The library also will offer teen programs with an escape room.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Commissioner Vaughan-Jones to adopt the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Taylor which carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0. Items approved were: (A) May 7, 2019 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

MTDA Board Appointments

There are specific requirements to be appointed/reappointed to the Mocksville Tourism Development Authority. The Board is required to have 1/3 as hotel representatives. Tami works extremely hard trying to recruit people to be on the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ward to approve MTDA Board Appointment applications from Neil Cheek, Vijay Barad and Chhaya Barad and the current terms submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Taylor which carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

Finance Policy

The Finance Policy is written procedures that are already taking place within the Town Administration office. This policy allows the Town Board to know what is taking place in the finance department. The Town Attorney made some recommendations and those changes reflect this policy as well.

A motion was made by Commissioner Southern to adopt the finance policy. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Taylor which carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

Budget Amendment for Department 8100; Amendment FY-2018-2019-7

This budget amendment to department 8100 increases our original budget by \$100,000. The additional costs are associated with the work completed on Jericho Church Road. These funds will be reimbursed by FEMA but will not be received until next fiscal year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vaughan-Jones to approve the budget amendment for \$100,000 to be reimbursed by FEMA. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams which carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

Public Hearing for Recommended FY 2019-2020 Annual Budget Message and Ordinance

Town Manager briefly discussed highlights of the annual budget mentioning \$10,000 to the Cognition Program, 2% COLA to employees and a 2% increase to the water and sewer rates. The budget came out to be \$9,750,360 which was a decrease of 4.76% from the previous year. But the budget does include a number of projects that the town should be proud of such as new vehicles (lease program) for the police department, beautification projects for downtown, fire department projects, and others. He mentions the workshops, the non-tax increase, and the debt from the firetruck that will be accounted for as well. He requests a \$.62 increase for utilities. The Manager goes on to explain how the budget is broken down in the budget document including the separation of departments and how much funding was given to them which could be read from the pie charts. All revenues and expenses spent are also present in the budget document. Everything that each department plans to do for the next five years is included in the budget document. The Manager stresses that this plan is not definite but should be looked at as a planning

method. The Manager explains that he wanted the budget to be presented this way so if the public or Board had any questions or concerns about the budget they could be answered easily.

Mayor Marklin opened up the Public Hearing and no one spoke in favor or against so he closed the Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the FY 2019-2020 annual budget message and ordinance, motor vehicle tax ordinance, and fee schedule. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Vaughan-Jones which carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

Public Hearing to Receive Citizen Input Regarding the Use of Community Development Block Grant Funds from the NC Department of Commerce and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Michael Walser addressed the Town Board discussing the purpose of the public hearing. The purpose is to receive citizen input regarding the use of Community Development Block Grant funds from the North Carolina Department of Commerce and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. CDBG funds may be used for infrastructure improvements, demolition or building reuse projects, which promote Economic Development.

Mayor Marklin opened up the Public Hearing and no one spoke in favor or against so he closed the Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vaughan-Jones to approve the citizen input regarding the use of Community Development Block Grant Funds from the NC Department of Commerce. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams which carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

Communication from Town Staff

Manager recognized Finance Director Lynn Trivette for a great job on the completion of the budget document. Intern Brandon Edwards assisted her on this project. The Manager went on to speak about the two current Interns, Charlie Chapman and Taylor Smith, and said if any of the Commissioners have any projects they would like to be addressed then tell me and I will plan it. He then explains the projects the Interns have been working on including the ADA project, the sign catalog, the Noise Ordinance, and Administration work. It is great to have them with us this summer.

Communication from Mayor and Town Board

Commissioner Williams thanks everyone for their hard work on the budget.

Commissioner Taylor thanked everyone for their hard work on the budget this year and for making all the tough decisions they had to make. He also spoke of the advertisement for the Movies in the Park and how he would like to know what movies are playing as would other people.

Commissioner Southern starts by thanking the departments and then goes on to mention the passing of a former Commissioner, Commissioner Thompson, and to keep their family in your thoughts and prayers.

Commissioner Ward begins by thanking the department heads and thanking everyone for their hard work on the budget. He congratulates Chief Reagan's son competing in a National Championship Trampoline competition and finishing in the top eight in the Nation.

Commissioner Vaughan-Jones thanks everyone for their hard work and tough decisions that they had to make on the budget this year. She also expressed her thankfulness to Tami for organizing the DC Cruisers and the successfulness of the event she organized. She also goes on to thank Brian for repairing the potholes near the fire department and working on the street signs. Citizens are very complimentary. Commissioner Vaughan-Jones also conveyed her thoughts and prayers toward the Thompson family and they were very appreciative for the lowering of the flags. The MTDA will be helping fund some community programs that have been asked of them along with the fireworks at the park Saturday, July 6, 2019. The Chamber, Davie County Parks and Recreation and MTDA are going to have a grant writing workshop in January 2020. This workshop will help with the understanding of grant writing and how to target for the funds needed.

Mayor Marklin brings up the Farmer's Market and music at O'Callahan's. He encouraged everyone to shop local and be a part of the events happening in Mocksville.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams to adjourn the June 4, 2019 Regular Board Meeting.	The
motion was seconded by Commissioner Southern which carried by a unanimous vote 5-0.	

	William J. Marklin, Mayor
Lynn Trivette, Town Clerk, NCCMC	