

November 12, 2019
Town Hall Meeting

1. The Meeting started at 6:00 pm. Mayor Archie B. Hicks, Jr. was present along with the following Commissioners: Larry Adams, Kyle Matthews, Mae Luffman, George Burns, Wanda Johnson.
2. The October 14, 2019 minutes were approved as written.
3. PUBLIC COMMENT: Andy Matthews asked for an update on the DAC property and the old Lienbach Machinery property. Mayor Hicks said that the Lienbach property has been sold to a trailer company and they should start work in the first quarter of next year. Winston Salem Hemp Extraction is now working in the DAC building.
4. Mayor Hicks showed the many things that you could find on the web site for the town, thanks to Mr. Ben Peacock. He has worked long and hard setting this up for the town. Mayor Hicks read a proclamation and awarded the Key to the Town of East Bend to Benjamin A. Peacock. Everyone wanted to thank Mr. Peacock for all of his hard work.
5. Valerie Kiger from Cannon and Company was here to go over our audit. The town received a clean audit opinion. That is what we want to see.
6. Commissioner Matthews made a motion to approve the East Bend Town Square Park Rules and Regulations with the removable of Park from the title. It will be East Bend Town Square Rules and Regulations. Commissioner Burns seconded. The motion carried 4-1. Commissioner Larry Adams opposed.
7. Commissioner Matthews made a motion to approve the Waiver of Liability form. This form is for anyone wanting to volunteer their time to help work on the park at the East Bend Town Square. Commissioner Burns seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
8. Mark Hobson said that he came last month to see if he would be permitted to use the East Bend Town Square property for the 2020 Cruise Nights. He said he had some feedback from the permit that he has submitted and before he could finalize the entertainment, he wanted to be sure that he could use the park. Mr. Hobson wanted to thank everyone that helped, and he asked if any money was owed to the town and was told it was not. He wanted to know if he could use Town Hall for the entertainers to change clothes and cool off. Mr. Hobson would be willing to pay for this. They are not a 501-C-3, but they are nonprofit. They give everything back to the community. Mr. Hobson asked if the Board wanted the Cruise Nights to continue and how much they would have to pay to continue to use the property this next year? It was stated that right now, we don't have a Gazebo or Amphitheater, we only have grass and you would not have to pay for that. There may be a fee if you want to use Town Hall or have officers to work the events. Attorney Price asked that Mr. Hobson give the Town a letter stating that they were not for profit and Mr. Hobson said he would provide that letter. It was also stated that the vendors that worked at the Cruise Night were all nonprofit and the money made went to help the people in the community. Mr. Hobson did say that last year they did a raffle and he had said some money would go to the park. The park plans changed and did not go as they had wanted it to. They still want to donate something, but they want to see if there is going to be a park first. Mayor Hicks said that we would take a pledge.
9. Commissioner Matthews made a motion to approve a Budget Amendment for the park account for \$1,200.00 of unencumbered funds to be transfer to miscellaneous line item. Commissioner Luffman seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
10. Mayor Hicks gave the board some options for a board vacancy. Commissioner Matthews is moving out of town and is resigning from the board. To fill the vacancy, it was decided to post it on the web site, on the door of town hall and do a phone message for applications. Commissioner Matthews term runs out next year.

11. Commissioner Matthews made a motion to authorize Attorney Price and Gary Hayes Yadkin County Central Permitting to take appropriate action to abate the nuisance or arrange for the demolition of the property at 305 Flint Hill Road. Commissioner Burns seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
12. Mayor Hicks asked for the board to be thinking about how the town can get more storage room. We may have to build a building or get a metal one. We can also see what can be trashed in order to have more room.
13. Chief Shore gave a police report.
14. Mayor Hicks asked for suggestions for the newsletter.
15. Commissioner Matthews made a motion to approve all bills and any that comes in until the next meeting. Commissioner Luffman seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
16. Commissioner Burns made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Matthews seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

Dec. 9, 2019
Date

Archie B. Hicks, Jr.
Archie B. Hicks, Jr. Mayor

Vickie J. Matthews

Vickie J. Matthews, Town Clerk/Administrator