

TOWN OF MAIDEN

June 5, 2017

MINUTES OF MEETING

The Maiden Town Council met on Monday, June 5, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. for their regular meeting, held in the Council Chambers at the Maiden Town Hall.

Present for the meeting were Mayor Robert L. Smyre, Mayor Pro-Tem Fore Rembert, Councilmembers Trina Michael, Max Bumgarner, Jr., Marcus Midgett, and Ronnie Williams.

Also present were Town Manager Todd Herms, Town Attorney Scott Conrad and Town Clerk Elizabeth Krige.

Others attending: See attached sheet.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Robert L. Smyre.

The invocation was given by Mayor Robert L. Smyre.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Trina Michael.

4. Approval of Agenda

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER FORE REMBERT AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER TRINA MICHAEL TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. Citizens Requests and Comments

Councilmember Fore Rembert said this year's Spring Sports went well. The officiating was much better. Councilmember Fore Rembert said he appreciated all the hard work of the Recreation Department.

6. Approval of the Minutes (5/15/17 Meeting):

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER RONNIE WILLIAMS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MAX BUMGARNER TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 15, 2017 REGULAR MEETING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Public Hearing:

Mayor Bob Smyre called the Public Hearing for the 2017-2018 budget to order at 7:02 PM. Town Manager Herms said the budget presented was based on a 97% collection rate of a \$1.8 billion tax base. It is just over \$19 million and expenditures equal revenues.

There were no questions.

Mayor Robert Smyre adjourned the public hearing with no further public comment at 7:03 PM.

8. Ordinances

8A. Ordinance 12-2017 Fiscal Year 17-18 Budget

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER RONNIE WILLIAMS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER TRINA MICHAEL TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 12-2017 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 BUDGET. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8B. Ordinance 13-2017 State Forfeiture of Funds for the Police Department

Town Manager Herms explained that for a few years the Town has waited until the end of the budget year to bring in the state forfeiture funds. This year the total from the state is \$4,611.79.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER MARCUS MIDGETT AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MAX BUMGARNER JR TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 13-2017. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8C. Ordinance 14-2017 Transfer from General Capital Project Reserve Fund to PD Facility Construction Fund

Manager Herms explained this ordinance and the next ordinance were to relocate funds to the proper fund before the end of the year. Manager Herms explained these funds must be moved from one budget to another before fiscal year end.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER MAX BUMGARNER JR AND SECONDED BY TRINA MICHAEL TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 14-2017. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8D. 15-2017 Amend FY 16-17 Capital Projects Reserve Funds-Electric

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER TRINA MICHEAL AND SECONDED BY RONNIE WILLIAMS TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 15-2017. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8E. 16-2017 Amend FY 16-17 Budget in General Fund-Sanitation

Manager Herms explained this amendment was needed because the town picked up more debris and this is to pay the county landfill fee.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER RONNIE WILLIAMS AND SECONDED BY MARCUS MIDGETT TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 16-2017. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. New Business

9A. Town Manager Todd Herms explained Council needed to approve the auditor's contract for the 16-17 fiscal year.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER FORE REMBERT AND SECONDED BY TRINA MICHAEL TO APPROVE THE AUDITOR'S CONTRACT FOR 16-17. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

9B. Manger Herms stated the Town replaced four scoreboards and we have been asked to declare them surplus for donation to Startown Optimist Club. Manager Herms asked Recreation Director Jody Rogers about the scoreboards.

Jody explained they are not operable but there is a person who can get them to work.

Manger Herms stated that the scoreboard on Field 2 would not work for several days after a rainstorm.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER FORE REMBERT AND SECONDED BY MAX BUMGARNER JR TO DECLARE ALL FOUR SCOREBOARDS AS SURPLUS PROPERTY. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

9C. Recreation Director Jody Rogers gave an update to the Council about programs the Rec Department is offering in the summer. In the past, the Recreation Department has offered free basketball camps. Using interns from Catawba County Schools allows the Town to offer the camp for free.

Jody Rogers asked Keaton Miller to develop some non-sports related programs for the summer to be offered free or at very little cost. There will be a Lego camp which is \$10.00 and it is the only camp that has a fee. This is the third year of holding the Basketball Camp which has been well received. There a few movie themed camps which are free.

Jody Rogers said Maiden Middle and High School offer a variety of sports camps therefore we wanted to develop activities to attract children that are interested in activities other than sports.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER TRINA MICHAEL AND SECONDED BY RONNIE WILLIAMS TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 7:16 PM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Council returned to open session at 7:39.

MOTION WAS MADE BY FORE REMBERT AND SECONDED BY RONNIE WILLIAMS TO RECOGNIZE A CLERICAL ERROR IN CALCULATION OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR AN INDIVIDUAL WHO DID NOT HAVE 25 YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE TOWN, BUT BELIEVED THEY DID. THE TOWN WILL CONTINUE TO PAY THE SAME PORTION OF HEATH INSURANCE PREIMUMS UNTIL THE INDIVIDUAL QAULIFIES FOR MEDICARE, EVEN THOUGH A REVIEW SHOWS HE WAS 7 MONTHS SHORT. THIS WILL BE A ONE-TIME EXCEPTION TO THIS SECTION OF THE TOWN OF MAIDEN'S PERSONNEL POLICY.

MOTION WAS MADE BY MARCUS MIDGETT AND SECONDED BY RONNIE WILLIAMS TO GIVE TOWN MANAGER TODD HERMS A 5% SALARY INCREASE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Without further comments....

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER TRINA MICHEAL AND SECONDED BY MAX BUMGARNER JR TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:40PM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully Submitted:

Elizabeth Yokley-Krige, Town Clerk

Robert L. Smyre, Mayor

ATTEST:

Elizabeth Yokley-Krige, Town Clerk