

**Town of Farmville
Board of Commissioners
February 5, 2013**

The Farmville Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, February 5, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building Courtroom with Mayor Robert L. Evans presiding. Present for the meeting were Commissioners Jamin Dixon, John Baker, Richard Hicks, John Moore and David Shackelford; Town Attorney Christopher Edwards; Town Manager David Hodgkins and Town Clerk Amy B. Johnson.

Mayor Evans called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Evans called for a moment of silence to remember the following whom has passed on: Charles Anderson, Phil Ross, Willie Mae Wooten, Sybil Morris Ellis, Adam (Red) Corbett and Joe Charles Hopkins.

Dr. Rick Bailey, Pastor of the First Baptist Church in Farmville, offered the invocation which was followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Citizen Presentations

Mayor Evans stated there were no citizen presentations at this time.

Mayor Evans read a thank you card giving thanks to the Farmville Police Department for their assistance.

Finance Director, Amy B. Johnson gave the financial report for the month of December, 2012.

Town Manager Hodgkins asked for the following items to be added to the evening's agenda:

- Agenda item # 4A- Adoption of Ordinance Amending the FY 2012/2013 Budget Ordinance
- Agenda item #10A- Community Center Rental Request- Serenity Group Home

On motion by Commissioner Hicks, the Board approved the above additions to the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearings

1. Property at 4340 Darden Street

Developmental Services Director Paul Ellis stated the dwelling located at 4340 Darden Street has been condemned and requested authorization from the Board to demolish the building.

Mayor Evans declared the public hearing, on the property located at 4340 Darden Street, open at 7:41 p.m. There being no further comments, he closed the hearing at 7:42 p.m.

Commissioner Moore made a motion to approve the demolition and adopted Ordinance (2013) 790, An Ordinance Directing the Building Official to Demolish the Property herein Described as being Dangerous and Unsafe and Directing that a Notice be placed thereon, and that the same may not be Occupied until Demolished. The motion carried unanimously.

Items for Consent

2. Approval of Minutes

To approve the minutes from the following meeting(s):

- January 8, 2013 Regular session
- January 8, 2013 Closed session

3. Budget Amendment to the 2012/2013 Budget- Controlled Substance

To move funds to the Controlled Substance- State Forfeiture account to cover drug purchases and minor work to the CVS building for the gym.

4. Budget Amendment to the 2012/2013 Budget- East Sanitary Sewer Project

To adopt a resolution amending the budget ordinances of the 2009- 24" East Sanitary Sewer Project (Fund 77 and 80).

On motion by Commissioner Shackelford, the Board approved/adopted the following:

- *Approved the minutes from the January 8, 2013 regular and closed sessions*
- *Adopted Ordinance (2013) 791, An Ordinance Amending the FY 2012/2013 Budget Ordinance*
- *Adopted Resolution (2013) 1209, Amending Capital Project Budget Ordinance for 2009 24" East Sanitary Sewer Replacement and Adopted Resolution (2013) 1210, Amending Capital Project Budget Ordinance for 2009 24" East Sanitary Sewer Replacement - Non-USDA Eligible*

The motion carried unanimously.

Items for Decision

4A. Adoption of Ordinance Amending the FY 2012/2013 Budget Ordinance

Town Manager Hodgkins stated Finance Director Johnson and he had been through the budget for mid-year and examined all revenues/expenditures. He requested for the budget amendment to be approved to cover all shortfalls and needed adjustments.

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to adopt Ordinance (2013) 792, Ordinance Amending the FY 2012/2013 Budget Ordinance. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Water and Sanitary Sewer Rate Evaluation Update

Rich Moore, from McDavid Associates, asked for consideration of approval to perform a water and sewer rate evaluation update. Rich informed the Board that the cost of the study would be \$7,500.

Town Manager Hodgkins suggested postponing the rate evaluation update until more "unknowns" regarding water and sewer become finalized. He did state that he believed the study was needed.

The Board requested to postpone the rate study at this time and to further discussion at the annual retreat.

6. Naming of May Museum Herb Garden

Mayor Evans stated the Town has received letters from the May Museum and Park Advisory Commission and from Mr. Bobby Hodge requesting that the herb garden being constructed on the north side of the May Museum be named in honor of Susan Howard Wyre Cable for her contributions to the May Museum and the Town of Farmville.

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to refer the naming request to the Public Facilities Naming Committee for recommendation.

Frank Bradham mentioned that the committee was not functional and it would take up too much time being that they wanted to plan for April.

Commissioner Hicks withdrew his motion.

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to advertise to hold a public hearing.

Commissioner Dixon stated he had an issue with the wording in the Addendum to the policy.

Commissioner Hicks withdrew his motion.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion to amend the Addendum portion of the Policy for Naming Streets, Public Facilities, Etc., by removing the words "living person" and "deceased requirement" in the 1st paragraph, so it applies to all individuals. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to hold the public hearing on February 25, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

7. Annual Certification of Firemen

Mayor Evans requested approval of the Annual Certification of Firemen which has been certified by Chief Keel.

Commissioner Baker made a motion to approve the Annual Certification of Firemen. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Chamber of Commerce/Downtown Partnership Membership

Mayor Evans stated the Farmville Chamber of Commerce and Downtown Partnership would like the Town to consider renewing the membership for 2013.

Commissioner Moore made a motion to renew the membership with the Chamber of Commerce and Downtown Partnership at the \$350 level. The motion carried unanimously.

9. Mid-East Commission Alternate Board of Directors

Mayor Evans stated the Town does not have an alternate representation on the Mid-East Commission Board.

Commissioner Baker made a motion to appoint Town Manager David Hodgkins, as the alternate representative on the Mid-East Commission Board. The motion carried unanimously.

10. Board of Commissioner Annual Retreat Agenda

Mayor Evans requested approval of the final agenda for the annual planning retreat prepared by Town Manager Hodgkins.

Commissioner Moore made a motion to approve the final agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

10A. Community Center Rental Request- Serenity Group Home

A representative from the Serenity Group Home asked for permission to use the community center, free of charge, to hold a talent show as a fundraiser which will be used to help the children.

Commissioner Moore asked for after-action report.

After a discussion, Commissioner Dixon made a motion to allow the rental with the fundraiser, but to charge the normal rate of a business. The motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Comments

Mayor Evans asked for citizen comments.

There were no comments.

On motion by Commissioner Hicks, the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Robert L. Evans, Mayor

Attest:

Amy B. Johnson, Town Clerk