



Town of Autryville
Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 18th, 2023
Autryville Town Hall

Commissioners Present:
Mayor Spell
Mayor Pro Tem Baxley
Commissioner Honeycutt
Commissioner Tyndall
Commissioner Spell

Staff Present:
Lisa Jones, Town Clerk

Commissioners Absent:
Commissioner Baker

1. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / INVOCATION

Mayor Spell called the meeting into session at 7:31 pm and Commissioner Honeycutt led the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner said the invocation.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

This portion of the meeting is an opportunity for citizens to speak on any issue concerning the Town of Autryville. A total time limit of 15 minutes will be allotted for this portion of the meeting. Each speaker will have a maximum 3 minutes. The first five residents who sign up with the Town Clerk will have an opportunity to address the Board of Commissioners.

No comments

3. ADJUSTMENTS/ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

- a. Adjustments to the Agenda
- b. Adoption of the Agenda

ACTION: Adoption of the Agenda as Presented
Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Baxley
Second: Commissioner Tyndall
Vote: Unanimous

4. PUBLIC HEARING

- a. Changing Road Names of Stage Coach Lane and Autry Highway

Mayor Spell explained before the public hearing began that both of the streets up to be renamed are within town limits. Mayor Spell opened the public hearing at 7:38pm. No members of the public spoke. Mayor Spell closed the public hearing. The changing of the names of the roads clears up issues with 911 Addressing caused by the new Highway 24.



ACTION: Adoption of Resolution #2023-04 “Autry Highway”

Motion: Commissioner Honeycutt

Second: Commissioner Spell

Vote: Unanimous

ACTION: Adoption of Resolution #2023-05 “Stage Coach Lane”

Motion: Commissioner Spell

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Baxley

Vote: Unanimous

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. March 21 2023 Draft Minutes
 - Adopt March 21 2023 Minutes

ACTION: Adoption of the Consent Agenda

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Baxley

Second: Commissioner Baxley

Vote: Unanimous

6. FINANCIAL REPORT

- a. Tax Collection Report

The Town is currently at 93% of collection. There is currently \$3,758.28 due. The town clerk will send updated invoices and letters to individuals who owe taxes before advertising their delinquency in the Sampson Independent.

ACTION: Adoption of Resolution #2023-06 “Advertising Delinquent Taxes”

Motion: Commissioner Spell

Second: Commissioner Tyndall

Vote: Unanimous

- b. Budget vs. Actual Statements

Copies of the General Fund and Water Fund Budget vs. Actual Statements were provided to the commissioners. A proposed Fiscal Year 2023 Budget will be presented to the board in May.

7. GRANT REPORT

- a. ARP Stormwater Grant

NC DEQ is delaying sending reimbursement to use to pay for invoices already paid to McGill Engineers due to paperwork. We are going to get to the bottom of it by the end of this budget year.

- b. SCIF Paving Grant



Paving will start by the end of the month.

- c. USDA Equipment Purchase

First payment to USDA is coming out this month.

- d. NCORR Grant for Local Government Services

Approximately 75% of grant has been used.

- e. Asset Inventory and Analysis Grant

The same issues for the ARP Stormwater Grant are repeated for the AIA Grant.

8. DEVELOPMENT

- a. Minnie Hall Road New Houses

Listed for sale between \$300,000-350,000 on Zillow.

- b. Horseshoe Road New Houses

Dirt is being moved for the building of the houses.

9. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Pole Mounted Flags Update
Presenter: Commissioner Tyndall

Prototype flag has been ordered and has been shipped from the manufacturer.

- b. Huntersview Stormwater Repair
Presenter: Mayor Spell

No new updated from Mr. McDonald.

- c. W Vinson Stormwater Repair
Presenter: Mayor Spell

No new updates from the Mayor regarding this item.

- d. Conference Table
Presenter: Commissioner Honeycutt

The current issue for the conference table is the height of the table and the style of the legs. Commissioner Honeycutt's contractor Mr. Tony Zapata quoted replacing the legs at a shorter height out of metal at the cost of \$1,000.



ACTION: Approve the Expense of \$1,000 to Change the Legs of the Conference Table

Motion: Commissioner Spell

Second: Commissioner Tyndall

Vote: Unanimous

- e. Utility Bills Online Payments
Presenter: Mayor Spell

The town will begin to provide the option of paying utility bills with a credit card or ACH online on May 1st. The town clerk is currently meeting with the contracted company PSN for training and installation. Letters will be sent to all utility customers at the time of the next billing to explain how to sign up.

- g. Easter Egg Hunt
Presenter: Mayor Spell

The 1st Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Town Hall went very successful. There has been numerous comments around town and on Facebook that everyone enjoyed the Easter Egg Hunt, the storytime by the Sampson County Public Library, and the Easter Bunny. There were approximately 2500 eggs that were found quickly by the children. Approximately 250 people attended under the threat of severe weather.

- h. Souvenirs
Presenter: Mayor Pro Tem Baxley

No updates

- i. Let's Walk It Out
Presenter: Mayor Pro Tem Baxley

Big Daddy's Grill provided dinner for the walkers for Let's Walk It Out, an organization raising money and awareness for soldier and first responders suicide. They will return next week.

- j. Filing Deadline for 2023 Election
Presenter: Mayor Spell

Mayor Spell reminded Commissioner Spell, Commissioner Baker, and Commissioner Honeycutt that they were up for re-election in November. The mayor is also up for re-election. The filing period is July 7-21st.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Facility Rental Agreement Deposits
Presenter: Mayor Spell

Mayor Spell explained the current facility rental agreement application to use town facilities, besides the playground, which includes a \$50 deposit. There have been issues with the handling of the \$50 deposit. Commissioner Tyndall agreed to research how the Town of Stedman handles their facility rental agreements.

- b. Garbage Collection Fee Increase
Presenter: Mayor Spell



Mayor Spell ran a cost analysis of the garbage collection provided by the town. Currently the town picks up trash on Monday and Thursday. In-town customers pay \$10/month and out-of-town customers pay \$22/month. According to Mayor Spell's cost analysis, the town is currently losing money monthly with the expenses of the garbage collection. Mayor Spell proposes increasing in-town rates to \$14 and out-of-town rates to \$25. The commissioners indicated they were not interested in raising the rates at this time.

- c. Tiller Rental
Presenter: Mayor Spell

Mayor Spell is tabling this issue until the excavator is used on the town parking lot.

10. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Adjourn the Meeting at 8:44 pm.

ACTION:

Motion: Commissioner Spell
Second: Commissioner Tyndall
Vote: Unanimous

Duly adopted this the 16th day of May, 2023 while in regular session.

Grayson Spell
Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Jones
Town Clerk

