

**Town of Grantsboro
Regular Meeting of Town Council
February 7, 2017**

Minutes

The Grantsboro Town Council met on Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at 7:00pm in the Town Hall. Attending were: Mayor Alfred Cahoon, Mayor Pro-tem Julia Lee, Ray Poole, Tom Newman, Kristie Mitchell, Pat Paul, and Ray Lewis, Clerk. There were also two visitors present: Pamlico County Commissioner Ed Riggs, and Chris Schwartz from the Pamlico Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Cahoon called the meeting to order, and Lewis offered the invocation. A quorum was established for the meeting. The agenda was approved upon a motion by Poole, seconded by Newman and carried. The minutes from the January meeting were approved as written upon a motion by Newman, seconded by Lee and carried.

Lewis presented the finance report for the month of January, which reflected \$1042.65 in revenues, and expenses of \$1931.63. Total funds were reported at \$251,814.12. A motion to approve the finance report as presented was made by Lee, seconded by Mitchell and carried.

Old Business

No new information on the status of the streetlights.

Lewis reported that two bids had been submitted to Thomas Engineering for the Sidewalk Extension Project along Hwy 55 East of the intersection. One was a bid of \$125,679 by Teland, Inc.; and \$97,707 by Sunland Builders, Inc. A motion was made to accept the low bid from Sunland Builders by Poole, seconded by Newman and carried. Lewis reported that construction hopefully will begin around the first of March, and it will be a 60 day contract.

New Business

Lewis reported that it was time to appoint a representative from the Town of Grantsboro to the Eastern Carolina Council. Julia Lee, the current representative, was asked if she would continue to serve if no one else would like to step in. A motion to appoint Lee was made by Poole, seconded by Newman and carried.

Poole reported that the Grantsboro / Silverhill VFD had purchased a used 2004 fire truck (valued at \$30,000) for only \$15,000, to replace a 1990 model they are currently using. It was discussed that the VFD gets very little in the way of tax money for equipment purchases. After

further discussion, a motion to contribute \$10,000 from the Town of Grantsboro to the Grantsboro / Silverhill VFD to help offset the cost of the new truck was made by Newman, seconded by Paul and carried.

There was no further new business.

During the public comment period, Commissioner Ed Riggs shared that a new County Commissioner had been appointed to fill the term of Kenny Heath, who had resigned. The new appointee is Missy Baskerville. Riggs also reported that the County had adopted a new ordinance concerning the construction of solar farms within the County.

The meeting was then adjourned upon a motion by Paul, seconded by Mitchell and carried.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 7, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Alfred E. Cahoon, Mayor

Ray Lewis, Clerk