

**Town of Grantsboro
Regular Meeting of Town Council
September 4, 2018**

Minutes

The Grantsboro Town Council met on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall. Attending were: Mayor Alfred Cahoon, Mayor Pro-tem Julia Lee, Ray Poole, Tom Newman, Kristie Mitchell, TW Harris, and Ray Lewis, Clerk. Visitors present were Scott Cayton, and members and family of the Pamlico 14U Softball team.

Mayor 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 Newman, seconded by Mitchell and carried. The minutes from the July meeting were approved as written upon a motion by Poole, seconded by Lee and carried.

Lewis presented the finance report for the month of August, which reflected \$5518.96 in revenues, and expenses of \$4018.20. Total funds were reported at \$201,076.79. A motion to approve the finance report as presented was made by Mitchell, seconded by Lee and carried.

Old Business

Scott Cayton was present to ask for the Council's permission to make three minor changes to the site plans for his tiny houses project on 306 North. The three revisions would be to alter the orientation of one of the houses, add three more feet for a utility easement, and eliminate two proposed driveways at the request of the DOT. After review of the proposed changes, the Council approved the request upon a motion by Mitchell, seconded by Lee and carried.

Lewis shared information concerning a proposed solar farm project on the east side of the Town. Although the Town has recently passed an amendment to its zoning ordinance prohibiting solar farms within the jurisdiction, the contractor for this particular project is making a claim of "vested rights" to allow it to proceed. Lewis has consulted with town attorney Ben Hollowell for assistance in this matter, and will share updates as they become available.

Lewis shared with the Council that the final payment (with deductions) to Sunland Builders for completion of the sidewalks project still has not been accepted. Lewis has spoken with Sunland, and hopes the matter will be resolved soon.

The coach, along with members and family of the Pamlico 14U softball team were present to thank the Town for its financial support of their recent trip to the Softball World Series in Florida. A plaque was presented to the Town from the team.

New Business

A letter from the Pamlico Chamber of Commerce concerning the upcoming Job Expo was shared with the Council. The letter was seeking participants and/or sponsors for the event. After some discussion, no action was taken.

Lewis shared that some damage to the sidewalk had occurred across the highway in front of the Museum. Pamlico Home builders submitted an estimate of \$1600 to make the necessary repairs. A motion to have Pamlico Home Builders proceed with the repairs was made by Mitchell, seconded by Poole and carried.

During the public/Council comment period, Councilman Poole shared that the Grantsboro/Silverhill VFD has received a better rating, which will result in homeowner insurance rates being substantially lower within the Town. The meeting was then adjourned upon a motion by Newman, seconded by Mitchell and carried.

The next regular meeting of the Town Council is scheduled for October 4, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Alfred E. Cahoon, Mayor

Ray Lewis, Clerk