

**Town of Grantsboro**  
**Regular Meeting of the Town Council**  
**January 7, 2025**

**Minutes**

The Grantsboro Town Council met on Tuesday, January 7, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall. Attending were: Mayor Tom Newman, Mayor Pro-tem Evelyn Paul, Ray Poole, TW Harris, Kristie Mitchell, and Ray Lewis, Clerk. Julia Lee was absent. There were 2 visitors present.

Lewis offered the invocation, and Mayor Newman called the meeting to order. A quorum was established, and the agenda for the meeting was approved upon a motion by Harris, seconded by Mitchell and carried. The minutes from the December meeting were approved upon a motion by Harris, seconded by Paul and carried.

Lewis presented the finance report for the month of December, which reflected \$11,594.03 in revenues, and expenses of \$2855.84. Total funds were reported at \$283,582.44. A motion to approve the finance report as presented was made by Harris, seconded by Mitchell and carried.

**Old Business**

There was some discussion concerning the placement of banners along Hwy 55 and 306. Chief Todd McFadden with the Grantsboro/Silverhill VFD was present at tonight's meeting. He shared his thoughts about relocating some of the banners, and also adjusting the height of them to be more uniform. The Council agreed that some needed to be moved, and that more should be placed along Hwy 55 from the Town Hall to McDonald's.

Lewis had shared an email with the from NC DOT concerning the safety of Hwy 55 through Grantsboro. They have completed a traffic study, and results showed that there is an issue with speeding. The DOT suggested lowering the current 50 mph speed limit on the east side of Town to 45 mph, and requesting local law enforcement to increase patrol of the area. Lewis and Mayor Newman had both spoken to Sheriff Chris Davis, And Davis expressed the need for an additional radar unit. The Town Council agreed to give a donation to the Sheriff's Dept in the amount of \$2500 for the purchase of a new radar upon a motion by Poole, seconded by Paul and carried. After some discussion concerning the speed limit, a motion to request the DOT lower the speed limit on the east side of Town from 50 to 45 mph was made by Mitchell, seconded by Harris and carried.

**New Business**

There was no new business

During the comment period, Mayor Newman asked about when we could get some help to take down the Christmas tree in front of Town Hall. After some discussion, it was decided to do it on Monday, January 13 at 10:00 am. Chief McFadden shared some information concerning the Fire Department. McFadden shared that he would remain as Chief for two more years, and that the department had a total of 17 members. He also reported that they were the second busiest VFD in Pamlico County as to the number of calls responded to.

Following the comment period, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Mitchell, seconded by Paul and carried.

The next regular meeting of the Town Council is scheduled for February 4, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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Tom Newman, Mayor

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Ray Lewis, Clerk