

Town of Macclesfield
Board of Commissioners
Regular Session Meeting
Town of Macclesfield Town Hall
January 9, 2023
6:00 pm

Members in attendance were as follows:

Mayor, Emily Turner
Mayor Pro Tem, Paula Lewis
Commissioner Jean Wooten-Jiles
Town Administrator, Pam Hurdle
Town Clerk, Jennifer Stanley
Deputy Clerk, Gracie Smith

Citizens in attendance were as follows:

Kim Pabingwit
Kim Owens
William Moon & Cindy Jalbert

Mayor Emily Taylor opened the meeting at 6:00 pm. Commissioner Jean Wooten-Jiles offered the invocation and all in attendance recited the Pledge to the American flag.

Commissioner Wooten-Jiles made a motion to approve the agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Lewis seconded the motion and with none opposed, the agenda was approved as written.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis made a motion to approve the minutes for the December 12 board meeting. Commissioner Wooten-Jiles seconded the motion and with none opposed, the minutes were approved.

There was no scheduled business so Ms. Kim Owens began the citizen concerns with a question as to why the security light in her and Ms. Pabingwit's back yard has not been repaired. It was explained that with the town bucket truck needing to be repaired, the town was waiting for a call back from another utility for assistance with repairs to the security lights. They both understood that the town was waiting for assistance in the repair but why were they being charged for a service that they were not able to use. After some discussion, it was agreed that beginning with the upcoming bill, neither would be charged for the security light until the light is repaired. Public Works Director Benjy Lassiter stated that the whole light head will have to be replaced and as soon as he has a time for the repair, he will contact Ms. Owens and Ms. Pabingwit with the update.

Town Administrator Pam Hurdle went over the Budget Calendar and explained that now was the time to begin working on the 23-24 FY budget. The first budget work session will be on February 13th at 5:00 pm. Commissioner Wooten-Jiles made a motion to adopt the budget calendar. Mayor Pro Tem Lewis seconded the motion and with none opposed the budget calendar was adopted.

Ms. Hurdle went on to update the board on the ongoing projects. The transformation grant to beautify Edgecombe County is back. It is also called "Street Scape" and would help to beautify Edgecombe St, businesses, and the park.

Mayor Taylor mentioned that she would like for the women's group or boy scouts to beautify the town's corners, maybe by planting rose bushes. She asked for Benjy to get the dimensions of the town's corners for her.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis advised Ms. Hurdle that she would retrieve the contact information for the senior center for her.

Ms. Hurdle has asked the COG to assist with the Wastewater project to make sure that the town doesn't lose the \$5 million grant.

Ms. Hurdle also stated that Habitat for Humanity can also help with the rehabilitation or replacement of homes in the town.

The Department of Commerce will be attending the February board meeting to explain the results of the survey for strategic planning.

Mayor Emily Turner mentioned that the town needed to start planning the Easter Egg Hunt. There needs to be a committee and the pastor from Webb's Chapel would like to help.

Town Clerk Jennifer Stanley gave the finance report and explained that the only change to the report that was sent in the agenda packet was that the Powell Bill account had a deposit of \$7000.

Commissioner Wooten-Jiles asked about the ABC Board bringing an ABC store back to town.

Ms. Hurdle stated that she would need Rep. Wellingham's contact information to call him as he is the head of the ABC Board.

Ms. Hurdle reported that Dollar General is looking at the large vacant lots around town.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis stated that there is a landlord that owns several properties around town that are almost to the point of needing to be condemned. She asked if there was any way to force him to fix the properties. Ms. Hurdle stated that the town would need to update codes in order to enforce them. She recommended that Mayor Turner call the landlord first and if that didn't work, the town could send a letter.

When asked about the town attorney, Ms. Hurdle explained that in the attorney's contract it states that he would attend meetings when needed. She also explained that the town has not asked the attorney to be at all meetings.

Mr. Lassiter reported that he has called and left messages but is waiting to hear back from someone to assist with the tree trimming.

Ms. Wooten-Jiles asked about the status of the Community Building repairs. Ms. Hurdle stated that she received a quote for \$60,000 to repair the Community Building. Servpro and Roofing Solutions will be giving estimates as well.

Mayor Pro Tem Lewis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Wooten-Jiles seconded the motion and with none opposed the meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

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Emergency Call Meeting
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January 10, 2023
8:00 am
Minutes

Attendance

Mayor Emily Turner
Paula Lewis, Mayor Pro Tem
Jean Wooten-Jiles, Commissioner
Charles Lewis, Commissioner
Joyce Braxton, Commissioner
Pam Hurdle, Administrator

The meeting was called to Order by Mayor Turner at 8:35 am.

A motion was made by Mayor Turner and seconded by Commissioner Braxton to go into closed session in reference to § 143-318.11(a)(6) Personnel.

Commissioner P. Lewis yay

Commissioner C. Lewis yay

Commissioner Braxton yay

Motion passed 3-0

The meeting was reconvened and the Commissioner accepted the letter of resignation from Town Administrator Pam Hurdle. No other actions were taken.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 am.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paula Lewis".