



TOWN OF MOUNT GILEAD BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

110 West Allenton Street, Mount Gilead, North Carolina, 27306
March 7, 2017

The Mount Gilead Board of Commissioners met at 7:00 p.m. at Mount Gilead Fire Department, 106 East Allenton Street, Mount Gilead, North Carolina for the regular monthly business meeting.

PRESENT: Mayor Joseph Miller Jr.; Mayor Pro-Tem Tim McAuley; Commissioners: Paula Covington, Mitch Taylor and Branson Webb.

STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Matthew Christian, Town Clerk Mary Lucas, Asst. Town Clerk Lessie Jackson, Maintenance Director Daniel Medley, Fire Chief Keith Byrd

CALL TO ORDER

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ITEM I. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Commissioner Branson Webb made the motion to approve the adoption of the agenda with the addition of the letter from the Montgomery County Board of Elections to be added to the New Business. Mayor Pro-Tem Tim McAuley seconded the motion and it was carried.

ITEM II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting Minutes – February 7, 2017

B. Board Retreat Minutes – February 18, 2017

Commissioner Mitch Taylor made the motion to approve the minutes for February 7th and February 18th, 2017. Mayor Pro-Tem Tim McAuley seconded the motion and it was carried.

ITEM III. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, AWARDS

ITEM IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Jones Almond: Mr. Almond referred to the Budget Amendments in the Agenda Packet and would like for the Board to talk about the great increase in the line item for Water Purchase from the County.

ITEM V. CONSENT AGENDA

A. FY 2017 Audit Contract

Commissioner Branson Webb made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Paula Covington seconded the motion and it was carried.



ITEM VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

ITEM VII. OLD BUSINESS

ITEM VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. GovDeals Agreement

Town Manager Matthew Christian stated that this company works with government agencies all over the country to assist with selling surplus property. They do charge a service fee, but they often increase the sale price of items by selling them in a larger online marketplace. GovDeals will list, sell, and collect funds on behalf of the town, then they send us final payment after deducting their service fees.

After some discussion, Commissioner Paula Covington made the motion to allow the Town Manager to enter into an agreement with GovDeals on behalf of the Town in reference to Option #1. Commissioner Branson Webb seconded the motion and it was carried.

B. Invoice Cloud Agreement

Town Manager Matthew Christian stated that the Board had asked him to investigate the possibility of allowing credit/debit card payments on our website. Invoice Cloud is a vendor who offers this service. There are two different types of pricing structures detailed in the agenda packet. Invoice Cloud is a subcontractor Southern Software. Commissioner Mitch Taylor made the motion to approve Town Manager Matthew Christian to move forward and explore the major details (view a contract) and to keep the term as short as possible. Then the Board would review the contract and pricing at a later date. Commissioner Paula Covington seconded the motion and it was carried.

C. Budget Amendment 3-17-2017

Town Manager Matthew Christian informed the board that after review the current budget it was apparent that several budget adjustments were necessary to carry the departments through the end of the year. All of the increased expenditures were funded from other accounts with project surpluses, no additional money was allocated from the Fund Balance.

To address the question about the large increase in the Water Purchase from the County line item, this was under estimated last year and this line item will not carry us to the end of the fiscal year. At the present time our monthly bill from the county costs the Town between \$9000.00 to \$13000.00.

Commissioner Paula Covington made the motion to approve the Budget Amendment for FY 2016-2017 as presented. Mayor Pro-Tem Tim McAuley seconded the motion and it was carried.

D. Grant Award Update

Town Manager Matthew Christian gave a Grant Award Update on the WWTP and Collection System Improvement. The State Water Infrastructure Authority awarded the Town \$500,000 in principle forgiveness. After the completion of the project, the Town would be responsible for an estimated annual debt service payment of approximately



\$120,000. Before executing the agreement to accept the grant award, the Board will need to consider the needs of the project and how it impacts the budget.

Also the Board will need to take in to consideration in order to accept this grant the Board will need to proceed in the raising of Water/Sewer rates. This would help the Board to borrow the money with the Local Government Commission.

After some discussion, the Board agreed to discuss this further at the March 21st meeting.

ITEM IX. STAFF REPORTS: Attached to agenda packet

ITEM X. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

ITEM XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

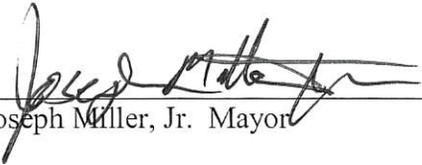
ITEM XIII. CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Paula Covington made the motion to go into Closed Session to discuss a Personnel issue. Mayor Pro-Tem Tim McAuley seconded the motion and it was carried.

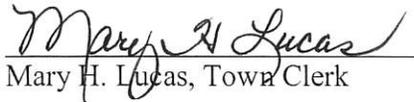
Commissioner Branson Webb made the motion to come out of Closed Session and back into regular meeting. Commissioner Paula Covington seconded the motion and it was carried.

ITEM XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro-Tem Tim McAuley made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Paula Covington seconded and it was carried.



Joseph Miller, Jr. Mayor



Mary H. Lucas, Town Clerk

(Manager Matthew Christian explanations are from the agenda packets that were presented to Board)

