

TOWN OF BROADWAY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING
MINUTES
JULY 22, 2013

A scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on Monday, July 22, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers, 102 East Lake Drive, Broadway, North Carolina.

Board members present were Mayor Donald Andrews, Commissioners Tommy Beal, Woody Beale, Jim Davis, and Lynne Green. Also, Town Manager Bob Stevens, Town Attorney Jimmy Love, and Town Clerk Laura Duval were present.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Andrews. Town Manager Stevens gave the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro Tem Beal made the motion to accept the Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Green made the motion to accept the Minutes from the June Board Meeting as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Woody Beale. Motion carried unanimously.

During Public Comments, the following people spoke in favor of placing “on-premises” sale of alcoholic beverages on the Tuesday, November 5, 2013 ballot:

Michelle Hunt, 3334 Buckhorn Rd, Sanford, NC
Bob Troxler, 310 S Main St, Broadway, NC
Donny Hunter, 409 Sion Kelly, Broadway, NC

Mayor Andrews presented a draft of a Resolution Requesting the Lee County Board of Elections to Conduct an Alcoholic Beverage Election in the Town of Broadway. If this referendum is placed on the November ballot, citizens will have four items to vote on: To permit the “on-premises” sale of malt beverages; To permit the “on-premises” sale of unfortified wine; To permit the sale of mixed beverages in hotels, restaurants, private clubs, community theaters, and convention centers; and To permit the operation of ABC stores. Mayor Andrews explained the resolution has to include this wording per General Statutes. Town Counsel has reviewed the draft for compliance. Other requirements are this referendum must be voted on in a municipal election in an odd numbered year. Adding this to the ballot will cost \$400 in addition to \$3,500 in election costs. The resolution must be passed 120 days prior to the November 5 election. The Town Board agreed that citizens should be given the opportunity to decide if this is

something they want. Commissioner Davis made the motion to adopt the Alcoholic Beverage Resolution as proposed in the draft. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Woody Beale. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Andrews presented a resolution in support of requiring full disclosure of chemical components in hydraulic fracturing. Fracking doesn't directly affect Broadway, but it does affect the Town indirectly since Lee County will be the center of where the underground energy exploration may occur. Commissioner Green made the motion to adopt the Resolution in Support of Full Disclosure of Chemical Components with Regard to Hydraulic Fracturing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis. Motion carried unanimously.

The Town displays American Flags on Memorial Day, July 4th, and Veterans Day. Several citizens have asked the Mayor to increase the number of flags flown on holidays. The cost per flag is \$15 including the pole and bracket. Approximately, 50 additional flags are needed. Commissioner Davis made the motion to purchase additional American flags to be displayed within the Town Limits from Dalrymple Road to Yow's Grocery. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Beal. Motion carried unanimously.

The Town Board discussed the EDC fees. \$3,595 has been budgeted for FY 2013-14 because that was the amount paid in FY 2012-13. However, the sales tax distribution was cut by half. Earlier this year, the Town Board adopted a memo supporting the restructuring of the EDC, and Broadway wants to be a good partner. The County is paying the same fees as last year, and the City has cut its fees in half. The Town Board agreed to wait until the spring to determine if the EDC is progressing towards becoming a viable organization before paying the entire \$3,595. Commissioner Davis made the motion to pay half of the fee at this time and re-evaluate the remaining payment at a later date. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Beal. Motion carried unanimously.

Town Manager Stevens presented one 1978 Ford Trash Truck with Body, one 1988 Case/International Model 585 Tractor with Front End Loader, and one 1975 Cub Tractor with Woods Mowing Deck for designation as surplus equipment. The Case Tractor will be placed under a \$7,000 minimum bid. Mayor Pro Tem Beal made the motion to designate the truck and tractors as surplus equipment to be sold by sealed bid. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis. Motion carried unanimously. Bids will be accepted the first part of August.

Betsy Kelly has been the representative from the Lee County ETJ on the Planning Board. She has agreed to serve another three-year term. Mayor Pro Tem Beal made the motion to appoint Betsy Kelly to another term on the Planning Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Green. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Beal made the motion to accept the Financial Statements as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Woody Beale. Motion carried unanimously.

During Commissioner Comments, Commissioner Woody Beale asked if garbage collection is running smoother now. Town Manager Stevens stated it has improved. No recycling has been placed where the former bins were located behind Town Hall. A cardboard bin is located behind the maintenance shop for bulk cardboard. The Mayor stated garbage and recycling information has been printed on the water bill and posted on Facebook and the Town website. Waste Industries plan to place stickers on the recycling carts.

Mayor Pro Tem Beal stated he was glad supporters of the alcohol referendum came to the meeting to express their opinions. As evidenced by phone calls he receives, citizens have some confusion about the brown and blue recycling carts. Brown is for regular garbage, and blue is for recycling.

It has been reported that some garbage and recycling carts are left at the street all the time. A letter will be written to Simpson & Simpson requesting their tenants to bring the carts in each week.

Commissioner Green expressed appreciation to the Town for honoring Howard Griffin and to the citizens for attending his reception. It was a very nice gathering.

Commissioner Davis reiterated Commissioner Green's comments. He appreciates the years of service Howard has given the Town. Howard loved working for the Town and loved the people of the Town. He was a very dedicated employee, and Commissioner Davis is glad we honored him.

Mayor Andrews thanked those who helped with Howard's reception: Commissioner Green, Marty Stevens, Lori Andrews, and Anne Beale. The Mayor also echoed Commissioner Davis' comments about Howard. He has been an asset to the Town. Howard is hard working, helpful, and dependable. He will be working part time beginning August 1.

Mayor Andrews gave two updates. The grand opening date of Wal-Mart Express is August 21. Paving will begin tomorrow weather permitting. A performance will be held at the NCVM on the afternoon of September 21.

The Welcome Sign at Seminole will be reworked with a landscaping wall, plants, and mulch. The cost will be \$100-\$150.

Mayor Andrews gave an updated on HB 998, which would take away franchise and utility tax. The Town was going to lose around \$20,000. According to the League last week, the House has come to an agreement. Instead, the Town may get an extra \$2,500. However, that is only good for one year. The gas tax was capped, so the Town may lose some Powell Bill money.

The Mayor stated the Town has a good group of employees from Chief Hinnant and the police department to the guys in Public Works and to the ladies at Town Hall. He believes the Town has the best staff around. They all go above and beyond, are always eager to help, and enjoy what they do.

Under Manager Comments, Town Manager Stevens also expressed his thanks to the ladies who helped with Howard's reception.

Mr. Stevens stated Wal-Mart Express plans to make 5 or 6 grants to local civic organizations. They have been given contact information for the DAV, American Legion, Lions Club, NCVM, Optimist Club, and Woman's Club. The groups will make application for the grants, and they will be awarded at the grand opening. It is still scheduled for August 21. A sidewalk will run the full length of the property from David Harrington's home to East Harrington Avenue.

With no further business to come before the Board, Mayor Pro Tem Beal made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Woody Beale. Motion carried unanimously to adjourn.

Donald F. Andrews
Mayor

Laura K. Duval
Town Clerk

