

TOWN OF BROADWAY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 23, 2017

A scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on Monday, October 23, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Council Chamber, 102 East Lake Drive, Broadway, North Carolina.

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

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Andrews. Mayor Pro Tem Beal gave the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Andrews requested the addition of two items to the agenda. Under New Business - Item D. Public Hearing on Modifications to the Lee County Animal Control Ordinance and Item E. Broadway Lions Club Christmas Parade Sponsorship. Commissioner Davis requested an addition under Old Business - Item A. Reconsideration of Brunch Bill Ordinance. Mayor Pro Tem Beal made the motion to accept the Agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Harrington. Motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda – Approval of September 25 Minutes and September Financial Statement. Commissioner Harrington made the motion to accept the Consent Agenda as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Woody Beale. Motion carried unanimously.

A Public Hearing was held on revisions to the Weeds; Schedule for Cutting Ordinance. Mayor Andrews read the proposed revisions then opened the Public Hearing for those wishing to speak in favor of or against the changes. No one spoke in favor of the revisions. Bob Stevens, of 121 West Lake Drive, Broadway, spoke against the revisions. Mr. Stevens presented several items for the Town Board to consider. He feels the current ordinance should be enforced as written, a more stringent ordinance will penalize property owners already in compliance, a height limit will be more expensive to property owners who have to hire someone to bush hog their lots, as well as place a burden on the Town Manager who will have to measure weeds throughout Town. Mr. Stevens also recommended removing the Police Chief from the ordinance because Chief Hinnant has more important things to do than measure weeds. Citizens will also expect the Town to comply with the ordinance, and this may result in increased labor for the maintenance staff. If vacant lots are held to beautification standards, it will be unenforceable and extremely expensive to the property owners. With no others

wishing to make comments, Mayor Andrews closed the Public Hearing. The Town Board will vote on the revised ordinance at the November 27 meeting.

Bill Stone, with Lee County Cooperative Extension, spoke on behalf of the upcoming Farm-City Week. It is an annual celebration of the urban and rural partnership in the community. This week focuses on the value of agriculture in our lives. Many people do not realize that agriculture/agribusiness is the largest NC industry. It is a huge employer generating \$285 million in agriculture and agribusiness in Lee County. There are several activities planned for the week. The 4-H Art Contest and the 4-H & Adult Photography Contest are scheduled for November 20. The Farm-City Banquet will be held that evening with a social beginning at 5:30 followed by dinner at 6:00. Cost of the banquet is \$8. Mr. Stone invited the Town Board to attend the banquet. The Elected Officials Tour will begin at 8:00 a.m. on November 21. After having breakfast, the tour consists of visiting two agriculture operations. On November 29 the Ladies Luncheon will be held at 11:45. Bill Thompson will be speaking on "Bridging the Gap." Since March, the extension has been highlighting and promoting women who are doing outstanding things in agriculture. Mr. Stone presented a proclamation for adoption. Mayor Pro Tem Beal made the motion to adopt the Farm-City Week Proclamation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Harrington. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Eldon Sloan, co-chair of the Veterans Memorial Committee, gave a presentation on the facilities planned for the NCVM. He shared the process involved with the legislature in requesting funds of \$250,000 for the building. At the NCVM committee meeting in January, Senator Ron Rabin had submitted a bill to the NC General Assembly to pay for the building that would house an information center and restrooms at the NCVM. It was decided to dedicate the building to the NC disabled veterans and their caregivers, making it a monument in their honor. Representative John Sauls agreed to support the bill, as well. Senator Harry Brown and Ret. Colonel Jeri Graham were most instrumental in getting the bill through the house and senate. Dr. Sloan gave the Town Board booklets on the NCVM and the NC Disabled Veterans Monument. He reviewed the design and inscriptions that will be part of the monument. Gary Turlington, who designed the memorial, also planned the beautiful design for the monument. It is Dr. Sloan's hope that this monument will have a profound impact on disabled veterans who now live altered lives because of their role in preserving this nation and her citizenry. Commissioner Harrington expressed her thanks to Dr. Sloan for all of his hard work on this project.

Mayor Andrews explained that the NCVM Board of Directors has authorized the officers to enter into a contract with the Department of Military and Veteran Affairs. That's how the money flows. It went to the General Assembly and has been marked to the Department of Military and Veteran Affairs. Dr. Sloan and the Mayor met with them last week. There is a lot of paperwork involved. They had hoped to get questions answered and are waiting for information. Mayor Andrews felt the Town Board needed an update on how the project is progressing. The grant has been awarded and once the paperwork is executed, the project will be put out for bids. He is hoping everything will go smoothly and the project can be started in the spring. Mayor Andrews commended Colonel Graham for her efforts in helping with the project. The grant would not have been awarded without her expertise.

Lee County has made several modifications to the Animal Control Ordinance. A representative will attend the November meeting to review the changes. Commissioner Green made the motion to hold a Public Hearing on modifications to the Lee County Animal Control Ordinance at the November 27 meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Harrington. Motion carried unanimously.

This is the third year that the Broadway Lions Club will host the Christmas Parade. The Town usually contributes \$1,000 as a sponsor. Mayor Pro Tem Beal made the motion to give \$1,000 to the Broadway Lions Club as a sponsor of the Christmas Parade. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Green. Motion carried unanimously. The parade will be held on December 9.

The brunch bill ordinance was presented for reconsideration. Mayor Andrews advised the Town Board that the City of Sanford and Lee County have adopted the brunch bill ordinance. Commissioner Davis made the motion to adopt the brunch bill ordinance allowing restaurants and other retail establishments to sell alcohol beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Sundays. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Harrington. Commissioner Davis stated he was uninformed when the brunch bill ordinance was originally presented. He did not realize the retail stores were affected by the bill. Commissioner Davis was glad Mr. Greg Adams made a presentation at the last meeting so that he has a better understanding. He believes the Town Board should do everything possible to support our local businesses. Commissioner Green stated for the record that she received a few phone calls asking the Town Board not to revisit the brunch bill. Commissioner Harrington agreed with Commissioner Davis that the Town should support its businesses. The vote was taken and motion carried unanimously.

Manager's Report – Town Manager Kornegay gave an update on the Town Hall construction. Roof sheathing, fascia, band framing and interior wall framing have been completed. Wood block and lateral braces have been installed between trusses. As soon as roof underlayment is applied, plumbing, mechanical and electrical rough-ins will begin. The third monthly progress meeting will be held Thursday at 2:30 p.m. Tim Sherman has put together a color board; showing carpet, paint, doors and other interior and exterior selections. Commissioners are welcome to stop by Town Hall to see the color board and give input. Mayor Andrews stated he likes the soft earth tones that were chosen and believes the Town Hall will look very nice.

Mr. Kornegay recently purchased twelve Christmas wreaths. Since twelve were purchased last year, all old wreaths can be discarded. There is also a plan in place to fix the lights on the water tank for the holiday season.

The Town Manager reported that DOT has mowed a section of Swann Station Road that was overgrown. The Town maintenance staff has mowed it as well. The trees along that area still need to be trimmed back. Other right of ways in Town have been mowed in addition to the area around the welcome signs.

Mr. Kornegay advised the Town Board that he will be attending a class at the School of Government the first week in November.

Commissioner Comments – Commissioner Green remarked that the color board for the new Town Hall looks great. She likes the selections that were made. Commissioner Green is also excited about the proposed monument honoring disabled veterans at the NCVM. She is thankful for Dr. Sloan’s and the Mayor’s work on this project. Commissioner Green requested that flowering plants be added to the dinky plaque quadrant to give the area some color.

Commissioner Harrington stated that she is also excited about the disabled veterans monument. She is very pleased that disabled veterans will be honored because she has friends who became disabled in the Vietnam War.

Mayor Comments – Mayor Andrews gave a reminder of the Veterans Day Service that will be held on Saturday, November 11 at 11:00 a.m. The DAV Chapter 5 Auxiliary is sponsoring the service at the NCVM.

The Mayor also announced that the Christmas celebration will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 9 with the parade following at 2:00 p.m. Sponsor and entry forms are available at Town Hall, Lee-Moore Insurance and Broadway Hardware or Broadway Lions Club facebook page.

Christmas in the Park is scheduled for December 3 at 4:00 p.m. The tree lighting ceremony is in the planning stages and the Mayor welcomes input.

Mayor Andrews stated the Broadway Our Way Festival meeting had a good turnout. There were several new volunteers in attendance. The committee is committed to having the festival on April 21, 2018. He was pleased with the participation from the community.

The Mayor expressed his excitement about the monument honoring disabled veterans at the NCVM. Dr. Sloan has put a lot of work into this endeavor and is very passionate about it. The monument will be another way to honor our veterans and will be an asset to our community.

Mayor Andrews entertained a motion to go into closed session per G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3) to consult with Town Counsel to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the Board of Commissioners. Mayor Pro Tem Beal made the motion to go into closed session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis. Motion carried unanimously.

After returning to regular session, the Town Board authorized the Town Manager to contact 138 South Main Street about installing blinds for their building located in the downtown business district.

With there being no further business to come before the Town Board, Commissioner Davis made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Green. Motion carried unanimously to adjourn.

Donald F. Andrews
Mayor

Laura K. Duval
Town Clerk