

TOWN OF BROADWAY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 28, 2019

A scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on Monday, October 28, at 6:00 p.m. at the Council Chamber, 103 North Main Street, Broadway, North Carolina.

Board members present were Mayor Donald Andrews, Commissioners Tommy Beal, Woody Beale, Lynne Green, Janet Harrington and Jim Paschal. 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. The Mayor gave the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Consent Agenda – Approval of September Meeting Minutes and September Financial Statement. Commissioner Paschal made the motion to accept the Consent Agenda as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Green. Motion carried unanimously.

Two students from Southern Lee FFA spoke on behalf of Farm-City Week and discussed how agriculture has impacted their lives. Christopher Martinez, Vice-President of FFA, shared how he has had a love for nature since he was five years old. His love of the outdoors and animals made him realize that he belongs in agriculture. In FFA he has learned leadership skills and the value of teamwork. Christopher attended a Soil Conservation Camp at NC State, and it helped him realize the importance of taking care of our natural resources. Christopher plans to attend NCSU and pursue a degree in veterinary medicine.

Mackenzie Hare, President of FFA, shared how her grandfather's farms have impacted her love for agriculture. Most of her family are involved in agriculture and they have worked in tobacco. Through FFA, Mackenzie has learned that without the farmer, there is no food and without the vet techs, animals cannot be kept healthy. Her grandfather is one of the hardest workers she knows. He planted hemp this year, thinking it would be an easier crop than tobacco, but instead it has been labor intensive. Mackenzie attended an engineering camp at NC State. While there, she realized that she is not supposed to be in computer engineering but should be in bio and ag. It is her desire to make things better for farmers. She also mentioned that she has met her best friends in FFA. Being a part of FFA has helped Mackenzie grow as a person, and she

has learned to feel comfortable with public speaking. The students were accompanied by Jackie Knowles, FFA Advisor, and Pam Kerley, 4-H Program Assistant. Mayor Andrews shared that the Town Board looks forward to seeing how successful Christopher and Mackenzie become in the future.

Mayor Andrews read the 2019 Farm-City Week Proclamation and presented it for adoption. Farm-City Week will be held November 22-28. Mayor Pro Tem Beal made the motion to adopt the proclamation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Harrington. Motion carried unanimously.

The Mayor presented the Minimum Housing Standards Ordinance for adoption. Commissioner Harrington made the motion to adopt the Minimum Housing Standards Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Paschal. Motion carried unanimously.

Manager's Report – Mr. Kornegay reported that the Town Ordinances have been corrected on the Town website. All the new ordinances adopted within the last few years have now been included.

The draining of Watson Lake is underway. While the lake level is lowered, the engineering firm will inspect the riser and make sure there are no other issues with the dam.

Grant Spivey has trimmed up the shrubbery and put out brick chips at the Veterans Memorial. The Town has asked him to trim the shrubbery in front of the post office and the quadrants across from Town Hall.

The DOT 80-20 sidewalk project has been put on hold. All projects of this type have been delayed. DOT is allocating funds toward hurricane recovery now. They will get back with us in January about the sidewalk project.

At the next meeting an interlocal agreement with the County will be presented. It covers disaster debris management services. The County has made an agreement with Ferris Environment Services for disaster debris removal if needed.

Commissioner Comments – Commissioner Green expressed her thanks to Commissioner Beale for all his years of service to the Town. He has been an invaluable asset through the years. She will miss his humor, which cannot be replicated.

Mayor Pro Tem Beal advised the TJCOG meeting was cancelled. Mr. Beal stated he has lived in Broadway about 36 years, and Commissioner Beale was one of the first people he met. He has learned a lot from Commissioner Beale over the years. Whenever you went to him with a question, he found the answer. The Mayor Pro Tem thanked him for everything he has done and for his love of Broadway.

Commissioner Harrington stated she has enjoyed sitting beside Commissioner Beale for the last six years. For a long time he has been her druggist and dear friend.

Commissioner Paschal said he has also known Commissioner Beale for a long time and has served on the Town Board with him for the last two years. He knows that Mr. Beale is a fine person. Commissioner Paschal also mentioned the NCVM looks very good since the recent maintenance has been done.

Town Counsel Love has known Commissioner Beale since their freshman year at UNC and shared the story of how they met. He has enjoyed his friendship throughout the years.

Town Manager Kornegay stated that Commissioner Beale has always supported him as a young Town Manager, and he appreciates his support.

Bob Stevens, former Town Manager, expressed his appreciation to Commissioner Beale for almost 50 years of service to the Town Board. When Commissioner Beale came to Broadway in the late fifties, he became very active in the Town and in all facets of Broadway. He worked seven days a week as a druggist and often went to work throughout the night, filling prescriptions for the sick. Commissioner Beale was very active in civic organizations and church functions while raising his daughters here. His wife, Anne, stood by him and supported him in his service to the Town. Mr. Stevens believes anything that happened to Broadway during the last 55 years had Commissioner Beale's fingerprints on it. Whenever he saw a need, he took the steps to get the issue resolved. Mr. Stevens thanked him as a former commissioner, former employee and a forever friend.

Calvin McNeill stated he has worked with Commissioner Beale for 55 years and still enjoys working for him.

Commissioner Woody Beale shared the highlights of his service as Town Commissioner for 40 years. This journey started in 1958 when he graduated from UNC. His first job was in Dunn and lasted only five weeks because the pharmacy closed. A salesman suggested that he go to Broadway because the drug store owner there had needed a pharmacist for six months. Commissioner Beale followed that advice and secured the job with Broadway Drug Store. He and his wife, Anne, have lived in Broadway ever since they were married.

When Commissioner Beale was first elected to the Town Board, Thelma Sloan served as Mayor. She was the first female mayor in the state and did an excellent job. Ralph Hunter followed Ms. Sloan as Mayor. He served the Town in this capacity for 30 years, and many enhancements were made during his tenure. Commissioner Beale remembers working on Sunny Acres and Edgewater with Mayor Hunter. Commissioner Beale worked with numerous commissioners through the years. He recalled serving on the Town Board when it was a Mayor-Council form of government, but it changed to Council-Manager in July of 1999. He took a break from public office in the mid-nineties but remembers Mayor Henry Green was instrumental in the development of Underwood and Thomas Place.

At one time Commissioner Beale was the only business owner who served as commissioner. All complaints and problems were taken to him at his drug store. He, in

turn, presented the issues to Jimmy Davis, who worked as Town Supervisor for over 20 years. Mr. Davis was always prompt in getting the issues resolved.

Commissioner Beale commended Harold Harrington for his service as Mayor. Bob Stevens was Town Manager for 14 years and took care of many Town issues personally. He was a hands-on manager, and Commissioner Beale appreciated his efforts.

Commissioner Beale spoke of Alice Bradley, a former Town Clerk, who insisted water bills be paid by the due date. If not, water was turned off the very next day.

Commissioner Beale stated that Mayor Donald Andrews does a good job for Broadway. He thinks most people do not realize everything that Donald does for our Town. Dustin Kornegay has also done a good job as Town Manager. The current Town Hall is a result of Donald's and Dustin's efforts along with the support of the Town Board. Commissioner Beale has attended Town Board meetings in four locations. The first meetings were held in the former Tiny Tots building, the second group were held in the old BB&T building, the third group were held at the former club house at Watson Lake, and now meetings are held in the current location.

He is so happy that he has had the privilege of serving the Town of Broadway. Commissioner Beale appreciated everyone's comments and appreciates all the commissioners he served with through the years. He stated it's been a great ride that he's enjoyed and will miss. Commissioner Beale expressed his heartfelt appreciation to his wife, Anne, for her advice, encouragement and support while he served as Commissioner.

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

Donald F. Andrews
Mayor

Laura K. Duval
Town Clerk