

**MINUTES
ARCHER LODGE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 9, 2010
ARCHER LODGE COMMUNITY CENTER**

PRESENT: Mike Gordon, Mayor; Carlton Vinson, Mayor Pro Tem; Jeff Barnes, Councilman; Clyde Castleberry, Councilman; Matt Mulhollem, Councilman; Councilman John Perry

ALSO PRESENT: Attorney Alan B. (Chip) Hewett and Susan Harrison, Acting Clerk

ITEM 1 Call to Order

At 7:05 p.m., Mayor Gordon called the meeting to order. Councilman Mulhollem led us in prayer. Mayor Gordon led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 2 Public Comments

Mayor Gordon advised Mr. Edward Boyce requested to address the Council. Mr. Boyce requested to know where the street lights would be placed. Mr. C.L. Gobble advised he has been talking with Progress Energy regarding this and for the time being our budget only allows for a few. They will start at the fire station, come up to the intersection past the ball field and down to the store. This will be similar to a town square. In time there is the possibility street lighting would be available to other areas.

ITEM 3 Action Agenda

(3a.) Councilman Vinson made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 12, 1010. Defer the work session notes of July 19, 2010 until the September meeting. It was second by Councilman Barnes and approved by all with a show of hands.

ITEM 4 Administrative or Committee Reports

(4a.) Planning Board

Mayor Gordon requested Mr. Mark Wilson to report on the progress of the Planning Board. Mr. Wilson advised the planning board held their regular meeting on August 5, 2010 and their next meeting will be on September 3, 2010. We have continued to work on the Flood Plane for Archer Lodge with Susan Locklear working closely with Mr. Carpenter in Raleigh. Mr. Carpenter has

advised, in accordance with NC Statute, it is illegal for us to automatically adopt the maps of Johnston County flood plan. We may use the language, however, we may not use their maps. We are working on the ordinance, Teresa Burton is taking apart the county ordinance and putting together the Archer Lodge Ordinance. We have set a goal of September to have the ordinance and the submission of the application for the state. We hope to have that for the Council sometime in September. Additionally Mr. Carpenter has advised that any residence that currently have national flood insurance would continue to pay their premiums, however, if they should have a claim before the town becomes a member of the State Plan, their claim would be denied. Additionally any residence within the flood plan site would like to purchase they could not do so. Also, it raises the question of anyone wishing to purchase a home in the flood plane area and the mortgage company requires insurance, it could affect the closing process. It behooves the planning board to move quickly to complete this project.

(4b.) Financial Report:

Mayor Gordon requested the financial report. Councilman Perry advised as of 8/9/2010 the Money Market account is \$42,137.70 and the Checking account is \$21,172.22.

ITEM 5 ACTION ITEMS

(5a.) Announcement of the Nine Member Appointments Steering Committee for Community Land Use Planning

Mayor Gordon requested a report from Councilman Mulhollem. Mr. Mulhollem reported they have been working with Mr. Lee Nichols to appoint a Steering Committee to work with the Planning Board for the long term land use plan. The nine individuals to be appointed to this committee are three from the Planning Board, Teresa Burton, Mark Wilson, W.R. Dean, three from the town council Mike Gordon, Carlton Vinson, Matt Mulhollem and three from the community Mark Jackson, Dene Castleberry and Bob Davis. This meeting will be on the third Thursday of each month which will be posted on the web page and the door of this building. Their next meeting will be August 19, 2010. Motion by Councilman Perry to accept the above individuals to the Land Use Steering Committee. Second by Councilman Barnes. Accepted by a show of hands.

(5b.) Update On The Contract With The Sheriff's Department

Mayor Gordon requested update. Councilman Vinson advised he had contacted the Sheriff's department and Sheriff Bizzell is willing to work with the Council. We are hoping to have a meeting within the next week or so to discuss this matter.

(5c.) Update On Prison Enterprise for Signage

Mayor Gordon requested report on signage. Mr. C. L. Gobble advised he has continued to follow up on this matter. Mr. Andy Brown with DOT and the process would be for the Council to make a request to DOT, someone from the Council would mark the streets for town limits signs, DOT would come out for review, upon their review they will send a letter back to us, we then order the signs from Correction Enterprises, upon receipt we contact DOT regarding a contract for installation. The letter for DOT is ready for signature. This take a while for the process and it should be sometime this fall for this project.

(5d.) Update On Progress Energy For Street Lighting

Mayor Gordon requested the update. Mr. C. L. Gobble advised all is on go. Mr. David Bennett who is handling the plan for lighting, advised this would have to go through DOT for the seventeen poles. This should be completed by the end of the year.

(5e.) Update of Auditor and CPA for Town

Mayor Gordon requested the update. Councilman Perry advised the company of Winston Williams & Creech from Oxford, North Carolina would handle the audit for four thousand dollars. This company has a lot of municipal experience and Councilman Perry recommends them for this job since this must be completed by October 31, 2010. Also, he is still talking to companies regarding the CPA. Motion by Councilman Vinson to accept Winston Williams & Creech to handle the audit by contract in the amount of four thousand dollars and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract. Second by Councilman Barnes, accepted by a show of hands.

Item 6 Discussion Items

(6a.) Moving Work Session To Monday Before Council Meeting

Mayor Gordon advised we currently have our work session the Monday after the Council Meeting. The Council discussed this matter and decided to leave the work session on the Monday before the Council Meetings. Due to the upcoming holiday the following was made: Motion by Councilman Castleberry to have a work session on August 30, 2010, 7:00 pm, at the Community Center due to the holiday weekend. Second by Councilman Mulhollem and accepted by a show of hands.

(6b.) Update on Purchase Orders

Mayor Gordon ask for a status. Councilman Vinson advised they have not been completed, however, this would be ready by the September meeting.

7. Closed Session

Mayor Gordon advised at this time the Council will go into closed session in accordance with NCGS 143-318.11(3) with Attorney to discuss personnel matters regarding the hiring of a Town Attorney. Motion by Councilman Vinson to go into closed session, second by Councilman Castleberry, motion carried by a show of hands.

7:35 pm Closed Session

8:45 pm Reconvened

Mayor Gordon called the Council meeting back to order. Councilman Vinson reported the Council interviewed Attorney Alan B. (Chip) Hewett regarding the position of Town Attorney. Councilman Vinson made the motion the Town of Archer Lodge hire Attorney Alan B. (Chip) Hewett as the Town Attorney, with the contract signed by the Mayor and Clerk. Second by Councilman Perry, accepted by a show of hands.

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Vinson, Second by Councilman Barnes, motion carried by a show of hands.

8:50 pm Adjourned

Mike Gordon, Mayor

Susan B. Harrison, Acting Town Clerk