

TOWN OF WEBSTER

Minutes

March 9, 2010

The Board of Commissioners for the Town of Webster met for its regularly scheduled meeting at 1411 Webster Road.

Members Present: Mayor Larry Phillips, Commissioner Billie Bryson, Commissioner Jean Davenport, Commissioner Rick Fulton, Commissioner Alan Grant, and Commissioner Mark Jamison.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Attorney Kimberly Lay and partner, Louise Stevens, Trudy West

Agenda-Mayor Phillips called the meeting to order at 7:00pm with a call for additional Agenda items. One change showed that the Jackson County Mitigation Plan 2004 should be discussed rather than the Hazardous Waste Consolidation Plan as noted. The addition of a Resolution Flood Plane Ordinance was added. Commissioner Grant made the motion for approval of the Agenda while Commissioner Jamison provided a second. The motion carried.

Minutes-A call for approval of the Minutes yielded a motion for approval from Commissioner Fulton with a second from Commissioner Grant. The motion carried.

Financial Report-Commissioner Bryson presented the report noting that total checking balanced at \$156,467.80 with expenditures being \$19,503.96 while income totaled \$6,686.59. Powell Bill funds showed a balance of \$51,992.33. The largest expenditure for fire protection was actually less than the previous year although projections show an increase for the coming year. Commissioner Jamison provided a motion for approval of the report as presented while Commissioner Grant made the second. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Zoning Board of Adjustment-Commissioner Jamison reported that Harry Allman had taken his oath of office and that Webster was currently awaiting appointments for two ETJ positions from the Jackson County Commissioners. Commissioner Jamison encouraged Board members to be thinking of citizens who might serve as ETJ representatives and as alternates for the Zoning Board of Adjustment.
2. Town Attorney-Mayor Phillips introduced Attorney Kim Lay who provided a brief personal and professional background and also stated that law office personnel would be available to meet with the Town Board at monthly meetings. Commissioner Fulton and Commissioner Jamison provided accolades for Attorney Lay while Commissioner Grant reaffirmed the \$200 hourly rate for services. Commissioner Fulton made a motion that the Board accepts Attorney Lay as

Webster's Town Attorney while Commissioner Grant provided a second. The motion carried unanimous support.

3. Jackson County Hazard Mitigation Plan –Mayor Phillips presented the plan with information that updating was in progress. FEMA will be involved with the updating and the committee would most likely desire to meet in April or May with the Webster Board of Commissioners. As Webster has already assigned most enforcement and overseeing to Jackson County we should not be heavily involved in enforcement.
4. Ethics Training-Commissioner Jamison requested that the Board purchase a \$95 program to provide training to Commissioners Jamison, Grant, and Fulton as their work schedules will not permit attendance at a scheduled meeting. Funds have previously been budgeted for workshops; therefore, Commissioner Jamison will make the necessary inquires for purchase.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. The Greenway Committee-Commissioner Grant reported that the Cullowhee Tuckaseege Greenway may have an attractive parcel of affordable land that can be obtained for a modest price. He also noted that Mill Creek was being included in the Greenway Plan and a scheduled walk of the creek area was to be held on March 19, 2010 at 3:00pm at SCC. Commissioner Jamison would like for DOT to consider the Greenway as traffic calmer along HWY 116 as the sidewalk is considered part of the County Greenway. Mayor Phillips plans to meet with DOT soon regarding traffic along HWY 116.
2. The Planning Board-Mayor Phillips reported that the Planning Board was diligently working toward revisions and that he was very pleased with the progress being made.
3. The Traffic and Safety Committee-Mayor Phillips gave a citation report from the deputy patrol noting that 48 warning citations had been given, 3 citations for no license, and 1 fugitive arrest was made. All this was based on 6 hours of patrol per week. Traffic appears to be increasing along North River Road. Also Mayor Phillips reported that a personal inspection revealed grates that were clogged and debris along the roadside that needed to be cleared for safety.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. TWSA-Commissioner Davenport presented information that included the following points:
 - Mayor Phillips and Commissioner Davenport met with TWSA Director, Joe Cline, regarding the proper procedures for planning sewer and water distribution for the Town. A handout outlining those procedures was discussed with the major focus on having a formal plan in place before seeking funding.
 - Town Boards have been allocating money for the past 20 years toward sewer and water for the Town-a handout showing the amounts for each year was distributed.
 - Funds totaling \$45,000 have been allocated for TWSA
 - A proposal for a formal plan for the Town of Webster was gained from professional engineer Alex Stillwell in the amount of \$50,000-\$55,000.

- Obtaining sewer and water for the Town is a long range goal and one that will take much planning.
- Implementation of such a plan is just as vital to the Town of Webster as the Zoning Ordinances enacted in 1970 were.

A discussion of these ideas revealed reluctance from some Board members due to the cost. As follow up to this presentation Brad Moses, Webster's representative to the TWSA Board, will meet with the Board of Commissioners at the March meeting.

2. Resolution Flood Damage Prevention-Mayor Phillips presented the resolution that will be part of an inter-local agreement between Jackson County and all municipalities. Jackson County is asking all municipalities to adopt this resolution. Commissioner Fulton made a motion to adopt the ordinance while Commissioner Davenport provided a second. The motion carried.

There being no further business Commissioner Jamison provided a motion to adjourn the meeting followed by a second from Commissioner Fulton. The meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.

Larry Phillips, Mayor

Jean W Davenport, Clerk

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AGENDA
APRIL 6, 2010

1. Call to Order/Call for Agenda items/Approval of Agenda

2. Approval of Minutes

3. Approval of Financial Report

4. GUEST: Brad Moses

5. Old Business:
 - Zoning Board of Adjustment
 - Other

6. Committee Reports:
 - The Greenway Committee
 - The Planning Board
 - The Traffic and Safety Committee

7. New Business:
 - Other

8. Adjournment