

TOWN OF WEBSTER

Minutes for February 1, 2017 Board Meeting



The Board of Commissioners for the Town of Webster met for a specially scheduled meeting at the Senior Center Heritage Room. Mayor Tracy Rodes called the meeting to order at 5:47 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioner Billie Bryson, Commissioner Danell Moses, Commissioner Larry Phillips, Commissioner Leigh Anne Young, and Mayor Tracy Rodes

MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioner Allan Grant

OTHERS PRESENT: Will Morgan, Michele Smith, Louise Stephens, Webster residents

GENERAL MEETING

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Commissioner Phillips motioned to approve agenda; Commissioner Young seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes for the January council meeting were presented for review. Commissioner Phillips said that the minutes reflected Commissioner Grant was present but he was not.

MOTION: Commissioner Phillips motioned to approve the minutes as amended; Commissioner Young seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of Advertising and Hiring of New Clerk

MOTION: Commissioner Phillips motioned to run an ad in *The Sylva Herald* on February 16 and February 23, interview, and hire a clerk/finance officer with a probationary period of 30 days. Commissioner Young seconded. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Financial Report

Danell Moses presented the end-of-month detailed and summary reconciliation reports and the up-to-date budget report for January 2017:

Beginning town fund balance per December report:	\$142,626.23
Cleared expenditures totaled	1,827.20
Deposits	7,035.72
Checking cleared balance Macon	\$85,524.29
Macon CD 12	25,060.16
Macon CD 48	37,250.30
Ending Town fund balance	147,834.75

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Special Program:

Dinner was prepared and served buffet style by John Faulk's staff.

Mayor Rodes thanked residents for coming out and introduced board members who were present. She provided an overview of the town's goals for the evening and asked residents to share their ideas and ask questions. She thanked Lisa Leatherman for attending and for Duke Energy's contribution toward the event.

Commissioner Phillips spoke to the attendees about why Webster has remained a town and explained that input and participation of residents will be needed to continue the viability of Webster in the future.

Commissioner Young shared with the group how she came to live in Webster and her vision for some projects that were brought forward as having interest among residents in the last town survey. Projects discussed were a walking trail, skateboard park, dog park, community garden, Christmas lights, Town flags, and the annual Halloween event. Sara Stahman spoke to the group about her interest in spearheading efforts to create a naturescape play area for Webster children.



Commissioner Moses provided an overview of ways residents could volunteer with the town board serving at the Community Table, during the Sheriff Appreciation Week in May, and handing out candy on Halloween. She also discussed the Town's budget, explaining income and expenses as well as the tax rate of 5¢ per \$100 valuation.

The evening culminated with the mingling of residents, sharing preferences for future projects, and taking pictures to share on Facebook.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Tracy Rodes, Mayor

Danell Moses, Town Clerk