



**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY JUNE 8, 2015 @ 7:00 PM
CHERRYVILLE COMMUNITY BUILDING
106 S. JACOB STREET CHERRYVILLE, N.C. 28021**

CALL TO ORDER, HONORABLE MAYOR H.L. BEAM III:

The Honorable Mayor H.L. Beam called the regular meeting to order. Councilmember's David Kiser, Jill Puett, Malcolm Parker and Brian Dalton were present. Also, present City Manager Ben Blackburn, City Clerk Paige Green, City Attorney Palmer Huffstetler Jr., Finance Director Dixie Wall, Police Chief Chad Hawkins, Public Works Director Brandon Abernathy, Fire Chief Jeff Cash and EDC Director Richard Randall.

Michael Powell attended for media coverage.

INVOCATION BY: REV. DR. BILL LOWE, FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Dr. Bill Lowe of the First Presbyterian Church gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

"For the past several weeks City Manager Ben Blackburn, City Councilmembers, and I have been working with members of the Gaston-Cleveland-Lincoln MPO namely Senior Transportation Planner Bjorn Hansen as well as NCDOT David Keilson in regards to transportation matters concerning our city."

"I attended the May 28 meeting of the MPO held in Gastonia and various options were discussed concerning our local highway projects. The city council will be asked to highlight or

designate its choices for highway projects within the next couple of months to allow the Gaston-Cleveland-Lincoln counties MPO delegates to vote and submit them to the NCDOT for review and approval. I am happy to announce that HWY 279, as well as HWY 150 projects are again being considered and supported by this board.”

“I was happy to give the keynote address for the opening and dedication of the new rehab wing of Carolina Care Center. Our City is proud of this addition to Carolina Care Center and wishes them continued success in their business growth.”

“The Cherryville Main Street Program has ordered the outside furniture for the main street areas of our city. The furniture consists of 7 long benches, (8) 32 gallon trash receptacles and (1) planter. We feel this will be just one of the many efforts to help with the beautification of our downtown area.”

“The Gaston Gazette wrote last week a good article about the city and its financial turnaround along with the NC State Treasurer’s office award to the city. However, this week an editorial was printed noting Cherryville’s accomplishments in budgetary matters. This article was very positive and supportive of our current staff and government. It concluded by saying, “revenue is up”. The general fund is growing. Debt has been reduced. Keep it up, Cherryville.”

“And finally it is always a pleasure to see one of our own recognized for their achievements. This is the case for Mayor Pro-Tem Brian Dalton. Officer Dalton was honored recently among his peers for outstanding service in the field of law enforcement. Councilman Dalton was named and presented with an award by the Gaston County Police Department for his exceptional work and dedication to law enforcement.”

“I believe this speaks well of our city council and community at large in the fact that we have individuals among us who are being positively recognized within their fields of work by their peers and others.”

“Councilman Dalton exudes this same passion in his work for our city, especially in dealing with its budget and financial matters. On behalf of the entire city staff, city council, our citizens and I, thank you for your dedication and love of our city.”

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilmember Kiser made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Councilmember Puett seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

AGENDA APPROVAL/REVISION:

Councilmember Dalton made a motion to revise the agenda and add the following as item number nine, Presentation from Cherryville ABC Board, Alan Fraley and Consideration to

approve the audit contract with Collis and Associates as item number twenty. Councilmember Parker seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF JOHN CHAVIS MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH,
PRINCIPAL BRYAN DENTON:**

Principal Bryan Denton approached the podium to recognize the following students for John Chavis Middle School for the months of March, April and May.

**JOHN CHAVIS MIDDLE SCHOOL
STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**

March

6th grade: Lindsey Lingerfelt; Emily Devine; Megan Smith
7th grade: Brooke Henley; Karina Quintanilla; Parker Beam
8th grade: Josh Lubert; Natalie Carter; Madison Philbeck

April

6th grade: Reese Hoyle; Hannah Williams; Dalton Pence
7th grade: Abby Shook; Pamela Walker; Kirsten Goodman
8th grade: Sydney Reynolds; Taryn Jenkins; Hannai Jordan

May

6th grade: Cheyenne Congleton; Gracie Holland; Faith Anthony
7th grade: Emma Rayfield; Trey Brafford; Madison Hedgpath
8th grade: Aniaya Gidney; David Perez; Cayson Sellers

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF JOHN CHAVIS MIDDLE SCHOOL 2015 GASTON COUNTY BASEBALL
CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM, MAYOR H.L. BEAM:**

Mayor Beam recognized the John Chavis Middle School 2015 Gaston County Baseball Champions with the following resolution:



**RESOLUTION HONORING THE JOHN CHAVIS MIDDLE SCHOOL
2015 GASTON COUNTY BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM**

WHEREAS, success in middle school athletics fosters pride and positive recognition for the team, the school, and the entire community; and,

WHEREAS, the John Chavis Middle School Baseball team finished the 2015 season with a record of 11-1; and,

WHEREAS, the John Chavis Middle School Baseball team defeated W.C. Friday Middle School on May 18, 2015, with a score of 15-9 to win the County Championship; and,

WHEREAS, the 2015 John Chavis Middle School Baseball team also set a new county record for the number of championships won, having collected nine county titles since 1982; and,

WHEREAS, the 2015 John Chavis Middle School Baseball team consists of the following members: Logan Barrett, Burgess Beam, Trey Brafford, Matt Cain, Jared Emory, Elliott Greene, Austin Hamrick, Dylan Harden, Lane Harrill, Noah Ingle, Levi Kiser, Justin Lemons, Chapel Moss, Dillon Robinson, Cooper Sain, Gabe Shumaker, Payne Wallace, and Brent Walls.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Cherryville Mayor and City Council hereby congratulate Head Coach Tripper Crisson and all the members of the John Chavis Middle School Baseball team on winning the 2015 Gaston County Championship.

Duly adopted the 8th day of June 2015.

H.L. Beam III, Mayor

Attest: (SEAL)

Paige H. Green, City Clerk

SPECIAL PRESENTATION BY CHERRYVILLE ABC BOARD, ALAN FRALEY:

Mr. Alan Fraley approached the podium and shared that he was representing the Cherryville ABC Board along with Mr. Jim Beam. Mr. Fraley shared that the distribution of profits for the ABC Board since 1982 total \$595,151. An additional \$166,800 has been given to law enforcement for a total of \$761,951. In addition, estimated revenues from beer and wine sales adds another \$495,000. The total of all combined is \$1,256,951. Mr. Fraley shared that they are on pace to reach a landmark revenue for the first time in the history of the ABC Store to break a million dollars in sales. With the increase in revenues and a decrease in the expense account, we have an increase in profits, which allows the ABC Board to present the City of Cherryville

with a check for \$20,000. Along with the \$6,000 that has been paid to law enforcement the total amount to the City of Cherryville so far is \$26,000. They have already given \$4,000 more this year than last year. Mr. Fraley shared that he also anticipates an additional funding to be given to the City once the audit is complete.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD – CITIZENS THAT WISH TO SPEAK MAY DO SO BY COMING TO THE PODIUM AND STATING YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS BEFORE YOU SPEAK. COMMENTS WILL BE HELD TO 5 MINUTES PER PERSON:

No citizens spoke.

CONSIDERATION OF ELECTRICAL UPGRADE AT ST. JOHN’S LUTHERAN CHURCH:

Mr. Sam Lockridge approached the podium and shared that he was at the meeting to represent St. John’s Lutheran Church. He explained that the church currently has an 800-amp service and with the upgrade with the new HVAC system that the church is installing they will need a 1,000-amp service. Mr. Lockridge attended the meeting to ask the Council if they would consider having the City of Cherryville purchase the transformer needed, install it, and then allow the church to make payments back to the City. St. John’s would like to make payments of \$500.00 for approximately 3 ½ years. Brandon Abernathy shared that as soon as the church entered into the contract with the City of Cherryville, the transformer would be ordered and installed.

Councilmember Dalton made a motion that the City of Cherryville accept payments from St. John’s Lutheran Church in the amount of \$500.00 for approximately 3 ½ years. Councilmember Puett seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC HEARING RE: CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR 115 BATES AVE., CITY MANAGER BEN BLACKBURN:

Councilmember Parker made a motion to enter into public hearing. Councilmember Kiser seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

City Manager Blackburn shared that Ms. Freida Carpenter Clawson filed an application for a Conditional Use Permit on April 27, 2015 to use the existing residence that she owns at 115 Bates Ave. as a two family dwelling. Ms. Clawson reported that years ago the home was used as a two family dwelling, but recently had just been a single dwelling. Ms. Clawson has paid the appropriate fees for the permit. On Monday May 18, 2015 the Planning Board met and unanimously voted to recommend to the City Council the Conditional Use permit. The property is located in the R-O (Residential Office) district to allow two family and multi-family

developments. Mr. Ed Yount, Chairman of the Planning Board, advised this was on the condition that the City of Cherryville was able to install two electric meters at the home to be used by the two separate dwelling/families.

Mayor Beam asked if anyone would like to speak.

Ms. Beverly Bridges and Ms. Debra Hord approached the podium. Ms. Hord shared that she and Ms. Bridges are first cousins to Ms. Freida Clawson who was not able to attend. Ms. Hord shared that they do support Ms. Clawson in her efforts to turn her parent’s home back into a two family dwelling. Ms. Hord stated that Ms. Clawson’s parents built the home around 1954 at which time it was a two family dwelling with separate electric, water, sewer and phone bills until 1973. After Ms. Clawson married her husband and he was transferred to the new Carolina Freight terminal in Rocky Mount, her parents suggested that they live in the vacant side. Ms. Clawson would like to rent one side of the dwelling and have the other side available for her family to use as needed.

Councilmember Parker made a motion to exit the public hearing. Councilmember Kiser seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Mayor Beam and the Councilmembers discussed the Findings of Facts.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

PROPERTY LOCATION: 115 Bates Ave., Cherryville, NC

USE: If Approved, To use the dwelling as a two family dwelling.

FINDINGS OF FACT

YES NO

1. The use will not materially endanger the public health or safety if located where proposed and developed according to plan, and

X _____

Councilmember Kiser made a motion that yes the use will not materially endanger public health or safety if located where proposed and developed according to plan. Councilmember Dalton seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

2. The use meets all required conditions and specifications, and X _____

Councilmember Dalton made a motion of yes that the use meets all required conditions and

specifications. Councilmember Puett seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

- 3. The use will not substantially injure the value of adjoining or abutting property unless the use is a public necessity, and X ___

Councilmember Kiser made a motion that the use will not substantially injure the value of adjoining or abutting property unless the use is a public necessity. Councilmember Dalton seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

- 4. The location and character of the use, if developed according to the plan as submitted and approved, will be in harmony with the area in which it is to be located and will be in general conformity with the Cherryville Land Development Plan. X ___

Councilmember Dalton made a motion that the location and character use if developed according to the plan as submitted and approved, will be in harmony with the area in which it is to be located and will be in general conformity with the Cherryville Land Development Plan. Councilmember Kiser seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

After having held a Public Hearing on June 8th, 2015 and in light of the Finding of Fact listed herein, the following action was taken by Cherryville City Council:

Mayor

DATE

CITY CLERK

ATTEST:

Councilmember Parker made a motion to approve the Conditional Use Permit. Councilmember Dalton made a motion to approve the Conditional Use Permit only if two electrical meters are installed. Councilmember Parker seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC HEARING RE: REZONING OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1602 E. CHURCH STREET FROM B-3 TO R-9, CITY MANAGER BEN BLACKBURN:

Councilmember Kiser made a motion to enter into public hearing. Councilmember Puett seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. City Manager Blackburn shared that Mr. Calvin Hastings property owner of 1602 E. Church Street has applied for a Zoning Classification Change. The Planning Board met Monday May 18, 2015 and unanimously voted to recommend that City Council rezone the property from B-3 (General Business) to R-9 (Residential).

Mayor Beam asked if anyone would like to speak on this matter. No one spoke during the public hearing.

Councilmember Parker made a motion to exit out of the public hearing. Councilmember Kiser seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Mayor Beam and the Councilmembers discussed the Statement of Consistency with the following conclusion:

STATEMENT OF CONSISTENCY

**CITY OF CHERRYVILLE
REQUIREMENT OF SECTION 19.1.10 OF
THE CITY OF CHERRYVILLE ZONING ORDINANCE**

The City Council of the City of Cherryville, held a Public Hearing on **June 8th, 2015** to consider Rezoning **1602 East Church Street Parcel ID# 131342** . After the Public Hearing and discussion of the rezoning the Council draws the following CONCLUSIONS:

1. It is the Council's CONCLUSION that, the proposed rezoning **IS / IS NOT** consistent with the City of Cherryville Land Use Plan adopted in August, 2012.

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2. The Council finds the proposed rezoning **IS / IS NOT** reasonable and **IS / IS NOT** in the public interest. This conclusion is based on the following:

Ordered this 8th day of June, 2015.

H.L. Beam III - Mayor

Paige Green - City Clerk

Councilmember Kiser made a motion to change the zoning classification at 1602 E.Church Street from B-3 to R-9. Councilmember Puett seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC HEARING RE: ADOPTION OF THE 2015-2016 BUDGET ORDINANCE, CITY MANAGER BEN BLACKBURN:

Councilmember Dalton made a motion to enter into public hearing. Councilmember Kiser seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. City Manager Blackburn shared that the proposed 2015-2016 fiscal year operating budget for the City of Cherryville is being presented by City Staff to the City Council and citizens of Cherryville for public comments and consideration for adoption. Some of the highlights that are presented in the proposed budget are:

The budget total presented for all funds (General, Water and Sewer, and Electric) is \$12,336,665

General Fund: \$4,111,582 (2014/15 \$3,828,233 - \$283,349)

Water/Sewer Fund: \$1,991,400 (2014/15 \$1,998,825 – (\$ 7,425))

Electric Fund: \$6,233,683 (2014/15 \$6,268,085 - (\$34,402))

Total: \$12,336,665

This is an increase of \$241,522 over last year's budget of \$12,095,143 or 2.0%. Reasons for the increase are:

REVENUES

- 1) \$185,000 - Increase in GF fund balance (Sanitation Truck Purchase)
- 2) \$ 90,000 - Increase in State Shared Revenue Taxes (Sales Tax, Utility Franchise Tax, Beer and Wine, etc.)
- 3) \$ 101,874 – Decrease 2% in Electric Rates

EXPENDITURES

- 1) \$ 185,000 - GF Sanitation Truck Purchase
- 2) \$ 58,000 - GF Roof on Community Bldg
- 3) \$ 28,550 - GF New Garage Containers
- 4) \$ 107,000 - EF New Bucket/Service Truck
- 5) \$ 28,000 - EF New Service Truck for Meter Reader

The city's tax rate of \$.46 per \$100 valuation is projected to remain at \$.46 for the 2015-16 Fiscal Year.

Other than the proposed 2% decrease in electric rates, there are no other fee increases proposed, such as water and sewer and city property taxes.

It is projected with this proposed budget the city should find itself with a more solid financial foundation. We have in this budget, 2 new police cars, a Sanitation Truck, new service truck for meter tech and new bucket/service truck for electric which we budgeted full price for all purchases and don't need to finance these purchases. Also, there is a 2% increase for salaries on employees. Budgeted expenditures are in place to ensure the delivery of adequate services to our most valued commodities, our residential and business community.

It is estimated the proposed budget fund balances at the end of the 2015-16 Fiscal Year (June 30, 2016) may be:

- 1) General Fund 10.99% Undesignated (Without Powell Bill)
 14.96% Undesignated w/Powell Bill
- 2) Electric Fund 23.45%
- 3) Water/Sewer Fund 40.37%

Mayor Beam asked if any citizen would like to speak during the public hearing. No one spoke.

Councilmember Kiser made a motion to exit out of the public hearing. Councilmember Parker seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Councilmember Parker stated that he is supporting the budget this year because of the 2% decrease in electrical rates.

Councilmember Dalton stated that in this budget there is no new debt and the City of Cherryville is able to pay cash for two new patrol cars and a new sanitation truck. Councilmember Dalton thanked the staff for their sacrifices for the last few years and the hard work that they have done. He also thanked the citizens.

Councilmember Kiser thanked City Manager Blackburn and City staff and said that he approves of the budget.

Councilmember Puett stated that she was happy with the budget and thanked staff.

Mayor Beam thanked Finance Director Dixie Wall and the Council saying they always think of the citizens.

Councilmember Kiser made a motion to adopt the 2015-2016 budget. Councilmember Dalton seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR FY 2014-2015, FINANCE DIRECTOR DIXIE

WALL:

Finance Director Dixie Wall approached the podium and shared that the budget amendments were primarily housekeeping for fiscal year end 2014-2015. Councilmember Puett made a motion to approve all budget amendments. Councilmember Kiser seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. The following budget amendments were approved:

2014-2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Cherryville:

Section 1. The 2014-2015 Budget Ordinance of the City of Cherryville adopted on June 9, 2014 is amended by increasing the following appropriations due to donations for the Cherryville Main Street Program.

REVENUES

30.3480.0944	CMSP Donations	\$ 16,500.00
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EXPENDITURES

30.8100.7320	CMSP Donations	\$ 16,500.00
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Section 2. This ordinance is effective upon its adoption this June 8, 2015.

City Clerk

Mayor

2014-2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Cherryville:

Section 1. The 2014-2015 Budget Ordinance of the City of Cherryville adopted on June 9, 2014 is amended by increasing the following appropriations due to grant appropriations in the current fiscal year.

REVENUES

10.3480.0300	General – Grants	\$ 1,500.00
10.3480.0100	Police – Grants	\$ 15,658.00

EXPENDITURES

10.4400.7600	EDC- Grant ('15 Cherry Blossom – Electricities)	\$ 1,500.00
10.5100.7600	Police – Grant (NCDPS – Radio Grant)	\$ 11,250.00
10.5100.3710	Police - Grant (NC League – Body Armor)	\$ 2,500.00
10.5100.3710	Police – Grant (NC DOJ – Body Armor)	\$ 1,908.00

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City Clerk

Mayor

2014-2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Cherryville:

Section 1. The 2014-2015 Budget Ordinance of the City of Cherryville adopted on June 9, 2014 is amended by increasing the following appropriations due to police replacing engine in #214 in the current fiscal year.

REVENUES

10.3990.0000	Fund Balance Approx.	\$ 7,298.00
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EXPENDITURES

10.5100.1700	Police - Auto Maint & Repairs	\$ 7,298.00
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City Clerk

Mayor

2014-2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Cherryville:

Section 1. The 2014-2015 Budget Ordinance of the City of Cherryville adopted on June 9, 2014 is amended by increasing the following appropriations to cover change order needed on the public works roof replacement.

REVENUES

10.3370.0000	Franchise Tax	\$ 3000.00
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EXPENDITURES

10.5500.7300	Capital Outlay- Impro	\$ 3000.00
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City Clerk

Mayor

2014-2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT

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Section 1. The 2014-2015 Budget Ordinance of the City of Cherryville adopted on June 9, 2014 is amended by increasing the following appropriations due to donations in the current fiscal year.

REVENUES

10.3480.0900	General Donations	\$ 16,250.00
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EXPENDITURES

10.5100.6000	Police –Donation	\$ 2,500.00
10.5100.6000	Police –Donation	\$ 200.00
10.5100.6000	Police –Donation	\$ 350.00
10.5300.3300	Fire Dept – Donation	\$ 200.00
10.4200.1500	Admin – Maint Building & Grounds (Depot)	\$ 1,000.00
10.4200.2900	Admin – Contract Services (Clock)	\$ 12,000.00

Section 2. This ordinance is effective upon its adoption this June 8, 2015.

City Clerk

Mayor

2014-2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Cherryville:

Section 1. The 2014-2015 Budget Ordinance of the City of Cherryville adopted on June 9, 2014 is amended by increasing the following appropriations due to insurance reimbursements on various incidences that have occurred in the current fiscal year.

REVENUES

10.3400.0000	General - Insurance Reim	\$ 41,353.00
30.3400.0000	Electric - Insurance Reim	\$ 1,091.00

EXPENDITURES

10.6200.7400	Recreation- Capital Outlay Equip	\$ 11,255.00
10.6200.1700	Recreation- Auto Maintenance Repair	\$ 5,476.00
10.6200.7300	Recreation- Capital Outlay Equip	\$ 4,995.00
10.6200.7400	Recreation- Capital Outlay Equip	\$ 3,686.00
10.4200.5400	Admin – Insurance	\$ 11,030.00
10.5300.3300	Fire Dept – Dept Supplies & Materials	\$ 370.00
10.5100.1700	Police - Auto Maintenance Repair	\$ 2,368.00
10.5100.1700	Police -Auto Maintenance Repair	\$ 2,173.00
30.8100.3300	Electric – Dept Supplies & Materials	\$ 1,091.00

Section 2. This ordinance is effective upon its adoption this June 8, 2015.

City Clerk

Mayor

2014-2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Cherryville:

Section 1. The 2014-2015 Budget Ordinance of the City of Cherryville adopted on June 9, 2014 is amended by increasing the following appropriations to cover expenditures not allowed by the CMAQ grant.

REVENUES

10.3980.0000	Fund Balance - Appro	(Powell Bill)	\$ 85000.00
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EXPENDITURES

10.5610.4600	Street & Sidewalk Maintenance		\$ 85000.00
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City Clerk

Mayor

2014-2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Cherryville:

Section 1. The 2014-2015 Budget Ordinance of the City of Cherryville adopted on June 9, 2014 is amended by increasing the following appropriations to cover repairs on the sanitation truck.

REVENUES

10.3370.0000	Franchise Tax		\$ 15300.00
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EXPENDITURES

10.5800.1700	Auto Maintenance & Repair		\$ 15300.00
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Section 2. This ordinance is effective upon its adoption this June 8, 2015.

City Clerk

Mayor

2014-2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Cherryville:

Section 1. The 2014-2015 Budget Ordinance of the City of Cherryville adopted on June 9, 2014 is amended by increasing the following appropriations to cover payout and position coverage until another fire department employee was hired due to an employee retiring.

REVENUES

10.3370.0000	Franchise Tax	\$ 7000.00
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EXPENDITURES

10.5300.0200	Salaries	\$ 4000.00
10.5300.0410	Fill In Pay	\$ 3000.00

Section 2. This ordinance is effective upon its adoption this June 8, 2015

City Clerk

Mayor

2014-2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Cherryville:

Section 1. The 2014-2015 Budget Ordinance of the City of Cherryville adopted on June 9, 2014 is amended by increasing the following appropriations due to legal fees paid to Stott, Hollowell, Palmer, & Windham LLP. in the current fiscal year.

REVENUES

10.3350.0010	General – Recovery of Funds	\$ 8,999.00
30.3350.0010	Electric – Recovery of Funds	\$ 9,543.00
31.3350.0010	Water/Sewer – Recovery of Funds	\$ 7,520.00

EXPENDITURES

10.4200.0910	Admin – Legal Fees	\$ 8,999.00
30.8100.0910	Electric – Legal Fees	\$ 9,543.00
31.7200.0910	Water/Sewer – Legal Fees	\$ 7,520.00

Section 2. This ordinance is effective upon its adoption this June 8, 2015.

City Clerk

Mayor

2014-2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Cherryville:

Section 1. The 2014-2015 Budget Ordinance of the City of Cherryville adopted on June 9, 2014 is amended by increasing the following appropriations to cover pressure washing the sidewalks requested by Cherryville Small Town Program.

REVENUES

10.3370.0000	Franchise Tax	\$ 2000.00
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EXPENDITURES

10.5600.4600	Streets, Sidewalks Maintenance	\$ 2000.00
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Mayor

2014-2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Cherryville:

Section 1. The 2014-2015 Budget Ordinance of the City of Cherryville adopted on June 9, 2014 is amended by increasing the following appropriations to cover utilities and salaries for an employee to train before another employee retires 6/1/2015.

REVENUES

31.2990.0000	Fund Balance - Approx.	\$ 40625.00
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EXPENDITURES

30.8120.0200	Salaries	\$ 13525.00
30.8120.1300	Utilities	\$ 27100.00

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City Clerk

Mayor

2014-2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Cherryville:

Section 1. The 2014-2015 Budget Ordinance of the City of Cherryville adopted on June 9, 2014 is amended by increasing the following appropriations to cover new telephone system.

REVENUES

10.2990.0000	Fund Balance - Approx.	\$ 55,785.00
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EXPENDITURES

10.4200.7300	Admin- Telephone	\$ 17,570.00
10.5100.7300	Police - Telephone	\$ 24,385.00
10.5300.7300	Fire Dept. - Telephone	\$ 13,830.00

Section 2. This ordinance is effective upon its adoption this June 8, 2015.

CONSIDERATION OF MAIN STREET PROGRAM BY LAWS, CITY MANAGER BEN BLACKBURN:

City Manager Blackburn explained that the by-laws for the Main Street Program were prepared by the Steering Committee for the Council’s consideration. Mr. Blackburn shared that the committee’s by-laws fit our needs. Councilmember Parker made a motion to approve the by-laws for the Main Street Program as written. Councilmember Kiser seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

CONSIDERATION TO APPOINT PLANNING BOARD AND BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEMBERS, CITY MANAGER BEN BLACKBURN:

City Manager Blackburn explained to Mayor Beam and the Councilmembers that two board positions were up on the Planning Board/Board of Adjustments. Mr. Ed Yount and Mr. Sam Beam both have terms on the board that need reappointing. Mr. Blackburn shared that he has talked to both Mr. Yount and Mr. Beam and only Mr. Beam wishes to remain on the board. Mr. Blackburn asked the Mayor Beam and Councilmembers if they knew a citizen that would be interested in serving on the board. Councilmember Parker shared that he had talked to Mr. Rocky Bennett and he said that he would want to serve on the board. Councilmember Parker shared that he explained to Mr. Bennett that this board does face some tough issues at times and decisions made on those issues may not always be popular, Mr. Bennett understood. Councilmember Parker made a motion to reappoint Mr. Sam Beam to the Planning Board/Board of Adjustments and to appoint Mr. Rocky Bennett to the same board. Councilmember Puett seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

CONSIDERATION OF CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF CHERRYVILLE AND CHERRYVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, RE: ALCOHOL SALES AT THE INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION, EDC DIRECTOR RICHARD RANDALL:

Mr. Richard Randall approached the podium to answer any questions that Mayor Beam or the Councilmembers may have about the contract before them. The contract is for the City to authorize and regulate the possession and consumption of malt beverages and unfortified wine on the public streets, alleys, and parking lots, which have been temporarily closed to regular traffic for special events such as the Independence Day Celebration that will be held on July 3, 2015. Councilmember Dalton made a motion to approve the contract between The Cherryville Chamber of Commerce and the City of Cherryville. Councilmember Kiser seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

CONSIDERATION TO CHANGE DATE OF THE JUNE 29, 2015 WORK SESSION, CITY MANAGER BEN BLACKBURN:

Due to vacations by staff, City Manager Blackburn requested the Council to change the date of the June work session to July 7, 2015 at 3:00 pm at the Cherryville Fire Department. Councilmember Dalton made the motion to change the date of the work session to July 7, 2015 at 3:00 pm. Councilmember Kiser seconded the meeting and the vote was unanimous.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Councilmember Dalton asked about the playground equipment for Kenwood Park. Brandon Abernathy shared that he and Beam Grading are waiting on Larry Summers because he is project superintendent. The new sign has been ordered.

Mayor Beam shared that he sent a letter to NC Senator Kathy Harrington asking her to help the City of Cherryville receive the money from the NCDOT for the sidewalks. Ms. Harrington sent Ms. McSwain an e-mail and we should be receiving a check this week.

Councilmember Parker asked about the tennis court lights. They were on all day Saturday and all night Friday night. Brandon shared that the timer could have a glitch. Brandon is already looking into what caused the lights to burn for so long.

Mayor Beam asked about the fire ants at the Senior Little League Field and wanted to know if we treat for them. Brandon shared that they do treat for the fire ants at the ball field and the City Memorial Cemetery.

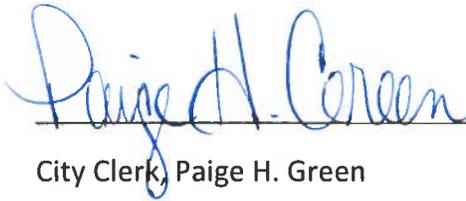
Police Chief Chad Hawkins shared that he recently had an incident where many of the department's assistance him and his department and he was very proud of the help that he received. He also shared that he received compliments from other law enforcement agencies that assisted. Chief Hawkins stated that he is very proud of the City of Cherryville's staff and proud that he is part of the team.

Fire Chief Jeff Cash reminded everyone of the July 4 celebration that will be held on July 3, 2015. It will begin at 6:00 with the band The Castaways and fireworks will begin shortly after 10:00 pm weather permitting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Kiser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Dalton seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Adopted this 13 day of July 2015.



City Clerk, Paige H. Green



Mayor, H.L. Beam

