

CITY OF CHERRYVILLE
WORK SESSION MEETING
MONDAY JANUARY 6, 2014 @ 3:00 PM
CFD TRAINING ROOM

Mayor beam call the work session meeting to order at 3:00 pm. Present at the meeting were Councilmember's Parker, Kiser and Puett. Also present was City Manager Ben Blackburn, City Clerk Paige Green, City Attorney Palmer Huffstetler Jr., Finance Director Dixie Wall, Fire Chief Jeff Cash, Public Works Director Brandon Abernathy, Police Captain Cam Jenks and Planning & Zoning Director Richard Elam. Michael Powell of the Cherryville Eagle was present for media coverage.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION:

CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE AND BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

City Manager Ben Blackburn put together a list of committees/boards and a brief description of each. Mayor Beam and the Council reviewed each and make the following proposals. This list will be on the agenda for the City Council meeting on January 13, 2014.

CITY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

2014

(PROPOSED)

Appointment

Mayor Pro-Tem

ABC Board Liaison

Appearance Committee

Audit Committee

Centralina Council of Government

Current Appointee

Council Brian Dalton

Council Malcolm Parker

Council Jill Parker-Puett

Mayor H L Beam, III
Council Brian Dalton
Robert D. Austell

Mayor H L Beam, III

	Council Brian Dalton (Alt)
Cemetery Committee Liaison	Council David Kiser
Chamber of Commerce Liaison	Council David Kiser
Depot Museum Liaison	Council Jill Parker-Puett
ElectriCities Board	Mayor H L Beam, III Council Brian Dalton (Alt)
ElectriCities Rate Committee	Council Brian Dalton Council Jill Parker-Puett (Alt)
Fire Department Relief Fund Board	Council David Kiser Council Malcolm Parker
Gaston-Cleveland - Lincoln Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)	Mayor H L Beam, III Council Jill Parker-Puett (Alt)
Recreation Advisory Committee Liaison	Council Brian Dalton
YMCA Liaison	Council Brian Dalton

CONSIDERATION OF INSTALLATION OF HANDICAP RAMPS ON S. DIXIE STREET, BEN BLACKBURN:

City Manager Ben Blackburn addressed the Mayor and Council explaining to them the need for handicap ramps at Colonial Oaks Apartments. These ramps will give handicap access to the apartment complex from the street. Currently there are none. The City received a bid from Beam Grading for \$1,550.00 for one ramp or \$4,185.00 for three ramps. The City is recommending that three ramps be installed. This will be put on the agenda for the Council meeting January 13, 2014.

CONSIDERATION OF INSTALLATION OF A SIDEWALK ON E. CHURCH STREET (FROM N. PINK STREET TO HOYLE STREET), BEN BLACKBURN:

City Manager Ben Blackburn addressed the Mayor and Council asking them to consider installing a sidewalk on E. Church Street between N. Pink St. and Hoyle Street. This would

include installing a new handicap ramp at the intersection of Pink and Church and installing approximately 980 linear feet of sidewalk. The City is recommending a five foot wide sidewalk. This will be put on the agenda for the Council meeting January 13, 2014.

CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTING THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA'S HOLIDAY SCHEDULE, BEN BLACKBURN:

City manager ben Blackburn addressed the Mayor and Council explaining to them that currently the City of Cherryville does not follow the State of North Carolina's holiday schedule. After talking to staff Mr. Blackburn asked Council to consider adopting the State schedule. Most towns follow the schedule already. This will be on the agenda for the Council meeting on January 13, 2014.

CONSIDERATION TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE FEBRUARY 10, 2014 CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

Richard Elam Planning & Zoning Director explained to the Mayor and Council that a public hearing needed to be set to change from R-9 (single & two family residential) to GMC (general manufacturing & commercial) for a vacant parcel on Hicks Street. (Gaston County PID# 129120). Mr. Elam explained that the property would need to be rezoned and then there would be the consideration of approving the conditional use permit. Mr. Elam explained that Mr. Louie Fowler of 106 S. Elm Street would like to use the vacant property for the storage of boats and RV's. This will be placed on the agenda for the meeting on January 13, 2014

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE BUDGET FOR DONATIONS TO THE POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS, DIXIE WALL:

Finance Director Dixie Wall shared with the Mayor and Council some recent donations that have been given to the police and fire departments. The Cherryville Police Department was given a donation of \$300.00 from the McCurry's for a Christmas party honoring the police officers. The police department also received a donation from Pet Heaven Cemetery for \$500.00 for crime prevention materials.

The Cherryville Fire Department received donations from Carolina Federal Credit Union and Sandy Cunningham totally \$500.00 for the purchase of paint to repair the Fire Department sign.

These budget amendments will be put on the January 13, 2014 agenda.

OTHER BUSINESS:

City Manager Ben Blackburn shared with the Mayor and Council the he had received word that on January 30, 2014 Frankie Dellinger will be sentenced at 2:30, Wes Golden will be sentenced at 3:00, and Mark Hoyle will be sentenced at 3:30 in Federal Court. Mr. Blackburn shared that the others may have a February sentencing date.

Councilmember Parker asked about payroll and if the bi-weekly pay schedule had been considered. Mr. Blackburn shared that the supplemental insurances were causing payroll to be more difficult than it needed to be. City Clerk Paige Green shared that the different supplemental insurances were being looked at and balanced. Doing the payroll is not the problem it's the fact the there are some many different supplemental insurances and they have never balanced. The City Clerk and Finance Director are working to solve these issues.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Beam asked for a motion to adjourn the work session. Councilmember Kiser made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Councilmember Parker. The meeting adjourned at 4:08 pm.

Adopted this 13 day of January, 2014.

Henry Lee Beam III
Henry Lee Beam III, Mayor

Paige H. Green
Paige H. Green, City Clerk

(SEAL)