

Town of Wallburg, North Carolina
Town Council Meeting - Wallburg Fire Station
TUESDAY 7:00 P.M. JUNE 9, 2009
2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

MINUTES

APPROVED 07-14-09

PROCEDURAL ITEMS

Mayor Todd called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present, to constitute a quorum, were Zane Hedgecock, Lynn Reece, and Mark Swaim. Gary Craver was attending for the Town of Wallburg the Solid Waste Hearing meeting in Davidson County, and Steve Yokeley was on excused absence also. Clerk Lynn and Attorney Wagner were present at the meeting, too.

Mr. Hedgecock said a brief invocation after which Mr. Swaim led the pledge to the flag.

MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion by Mr. Hedgecock, seconded by Mr. Reese, the council voted unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.
(HEDGECOCK, REECE, SWAIM)

MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- MAY 12, 2009

On a motion by Mr. Reece, seconded by Mr. Hedgecock, the minutes for MAY 12, 2009, were unanimously approved.

PUBLIC SESSION

PLEASE SIGN UP WITH TOWN CLERK IF YOU WISH TO SPEAK

Public Session was opened and closed at 7:03 p.m. with no speakers.

BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED AND/OR ACTED UPON:

1. PUBLIC HEARING

FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010 BUDGET PRESENTATION

Motion was made by Zane Hedgecock to open the PUBLIC HEARING at 7:03 p.m. His motion was seconded by Mark Swaim and was unanimously approved.

(HEDGECOCK, REECE, SWAIM)

The 2009-2010 budget, as recommended by the Wallburg Finance Committee, was presented to the Council by Mark Swaim. Mr. Swaim said the Finance

Committee recommends the 2009-2010 budget of \$627,500.00 at a tax rate of 5% per \$100 valuation, which is the current Wallburg tax rate. The total budget is a 2% decrease of the “current” budget. He explained this reduction is the result of the uncertainty of the sales tax funding and they remain conservative in their budgeting approach. Mr. Swaim reiterated that the reduction in this budget would not affect the building of the town hall nor the services as currently provided to Wallburg citizens. The committee recommends that the Town not expand any services nor start any new capital projects until the economy is more stable.

The council was advised this week that it would have to purchase Workers Comp insurance, Mayor Todd asked Mr. Swaim if there was money in the budget for this additional cost. Mr. Swaim responded that the money for this particular type of insurance had not been included in the insurance line item, but that there was money in the budget to cover the cost – an amendment would need to be done – but after the cost was ascertained.

There was no one signed up to speak but Mayor Todd asked several times if anyone would like to speak. No one did.

Lynn Reece moved to close the PUBLIC HEARING at 7:10 p.m. with Zane Hedgecock seconding and the vote being unanimous.

(HEDGECKOCK, REECE, SWAIM)

Upon request by Mayor Todd for a motion to either approve or disapprove the budget, Attorney Wagner spoke, saying “.....In order to approve an ordinance on the day it is introduced, you have to have a 2/3 vote of the actual membership...” The mayor cannot vote unless there is a tie.

Tonight, there is not a 2/3 majority – although there is a quorum in terms of conducting business - so the budget would need to go to a Special Meeting before the end of the month.

MOTION: TO SET A SPECIAL MEETING TO (ONLY) VOTE ON THE 2009-2010 BUDGET FOR JUNE 23, 2009, AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

BY: ZANE HEDGECKOCK

2ND: MARK SWAIM

VOTE: MOTION PASSED - UNANIMOUSLY

(HEDGECKOCK, REECE, SWAIM)

(NOTE: There will be no Public Hearing because the Public Hearing was held tonight.)

NOTE: SEE MOTION AT END OF MEETING RETRACTING THIS MOTION...WITH NEW MOTION APPROVING BUDGET...

Mr. Swaim asked the attorney to clarify: “Any ordinance we are going to have to have, if there’s not a quorum, we can’t vote?” Attorney Wagner responded that if it is voted on the night it is introduced – can’t do. If the Public Hearing had been at the last meeting, the council could have voted on the budget at this meeting.

2. 10-YEAR SOLID WASTE REDUCTION PLAN
3-YEAR UPDATE

RESOLUTION: TO ADOPT

Public Hearing held by Davidson County on June 9, 2009

This is a 3-year update to a 10-Year plan. The County will approve this at their meeting tonight – June 9, 2009. Gary Craver, Wallburg council member is attending the county meeting. This Plan was originally begun in 1997 – and changes have been made over the past years. With Davidson County hosting a Public Hearing, the Town of Wallburg has no need to host one.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE DAVIDSON COUNTY 10-YEAR SOLID WASTE PLAN’S 3-YEAR UPDATE AS PRESENTED BY DAVIDSON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT
BY: ZANE HEDGECOCK
2ND: MARK SWAIM
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
(HEDGECOCK, REECE, SWAIM)

3. WORKERS’ COMP INSURANCE
TOWN OF WALLBURG
SEE ATTACHMENTS

Mayor Todd was informed this week by Lynn that the Town of Wallburg is required to carry Workers’ Comp insurance – the mayor and council members are now paid with a W-2, rather than a 1099. Any time you have more than three (3) employees (paid with W-2), you must carry Work-Comp. We have no estimate of the cost of the insurance – Lynn just asked if we wanted to partner with NCLM for this insurance – or if the council wants to get three (3) bids (including NCLM) for the cost of the insurance. The mayor and council decided it would be best to get the three bids.

MOTION: TO OBTAIN THREE (3) BIDS FOR WORKERS COMP INSURANCE, INCLUDING NCLM BID; AND CONTINUE THIS ITEM TO JULY MEETING
BY: ZANE HEDGECOCK
2ND: MARK SWAIM
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
(HEDGECOCK, REECE, SWAIM)

REGULAR MONTHLY AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

(COMMITTEE UPDATES MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IF MEETING WAS NOT HELD)

1. Planning and Zoning UpdatesDean Coe
Mr. Coe could not make the meeting but Wayne Wall nothing much has been done lately. The upcoming meeting (06-11-09) they will elect officers for Zoning and Board of Adjustment.

2. Finance UpdateMark Swaim
Mr. Swaim gave a brief update on the town finances –

Through May 31st – Assets total up to \$2,424,230.59. Revenue is coming in good and under on the expenses – which is good – this the 11th month of our fiscal year!

He said he has not noticed any reduction in sales taxes – which is also good!

3. MPO - High PointLynn Reece
Mr. Reece said that he attended the MPO meeting on May 26th – and nothing pertaining to the Town of Wallburg was discussed. The “big deal” now is stimulus money is being handed out – for which you have to qualify for the funds.

4. MPO - Winston-SalemMayor Todd
Mayor Todd attended the MPO meeting on May 11th – and stimulus money was discussed. Nothing discussed directly affects the Town of Wallburg.

5. MAYOR/MANAGER MEETINGMayor Todd
Mayor Todd, the Town of Wallburg, hosted this meeting Monday morning – June 8th – at John Wayne’s Barbeque in Lexington. All the mayors and managers attend and their concern this month was about how much revenue is going to be coming in.

OTHER INFORMATION:

**TYCO closing rumor was briefly discussed – it was rumored that the folks up there would be going to another plant.

**NC-DOT has requested support for their Yadkin River Bridge replacement effort. Mayor Todd asked that a resolution of support be placed on the agenda for July.

(Note: Resolution has to be in by end of June, thus letter of support will be sent this month. Lynn)

**2009 Business of the Year needs to be decided on – this item will go on July agenda to be deciding on nominees.

NOTE: THIS REFERS TO ITEM #1 – BUDGET APPROVAL:

**Attorney Wagner said upon further reading, there is an exception to the 2/3 rule – for budget ordinances. So he advised the council to go on and vote on the 2009-2010 budget. At this point, Mr. Hedgecock withdrew his earlier motion to set a June 23rd special meeting. Mr. Swaim seconded and the council voted unanimously (HEDGECOCK, REECE, SWAIM) to retract the earlier motion.

There being no reason to delay a vote on the budget presented earlier at the meeting, Mr. Swaim motioned:

MOTION: THE FINANCE COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE 2009-2010 BUDGET OF \$627,500.00 AND A TAX RATE OF 5¢ ON \$100 VALUATION
BY: MARK SWAIM
2ND: ZANE HEDGECOCK
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
(HEDGECOCK, REECE, SWAIM)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS: (2ND TUESDAYS)
7:00 p.m. at the Fire Station on:

CALENDAR 2009:

JUL	14
AUG	11
SEP	8
OCT	13
NOV	10
DEC	8

- PLANNING BOARD MEETINGS (2ND THURSDAYS)
7:00 P.M. AT WALLBURG VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
- BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEETING
SCHEDULED AS NECESSARY

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: TO ADJOURN MEETING AT 7:45 P.M.
BY: LYNN REECE
2ND: ZANE HEDGECOCK
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
(HEDGECOCK, REECE, SWAIM)

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Submitted by:

**Lynn McKinnie
Town Clerk**