

Regular Meeting of the Town Council
Tuesday, April 20, 2010
7:00 pm

Minutes & General Ledger

Regular meeting of the Town Council, April 20, 2010, Council Chambers, Town Hall.

Council Members Present: Mayor Volz, Council Member Nixon-Roney, Thomas, Gray and Ragsdale

Ragsdale High School Representative – Denzell Faison

Staff: Kathryn Billings, Judy Gallman, Martha Wolfe and Beth Koonce, Town Attorney

Visitors Present: John Kime, Director of the Piedmont Triad Regional Authority; Charles Jones, Chair of the Board of Directors of the Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority; Paul Blanchard; Beth Seagraves, News & Record; Buddy Mann; Carol Brooks of the Jamestown News.

1. Call to Order – Mayor Volz called the meeting to order.
2. Jamestown Community Reflections – Mayor Volz asked everyone to remember those affected by the tornado that hit N. High Point a few weeks ago. A moment of silent prayer was observed.

Mayor Volz stated on a happier note, Martha Wolfe will be conducting the spring 2010 Litter Sweep on Saturday April 24, 2010.

3. Approval of minutes from March 16, 2010 and April 8th, 2010, special meeting. Mayor Volz asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. There being none, Council Member Gray made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Council Member Nixon-Roney made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
4. Presentation by Charles Jones – Charles Jones, Chair of the Board of Directors for the Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority and Town of Jamestown representative on the Water Authority Board, gave a brief history of the Randleman Lake Project. Jones stated in 1991 the Core of Engineers approved the project for a flood control for lakes and dams. However, Congress did not approve funds for the project. The members of the Water Authority took over the project. It took 10 years to get the project approved. In 2001 the construction began on the dam. It took 2 years to construct. Then High Point and Greensboro delayed the project because they did not have a need for any additional water at that time. In 2008 High Point and Greensboro agreed to finance their portion of the project. Later, High Point and Greensboro pulled out of the proposed bond referendum. They sold their own bonds and paid the Water Authority their portion. The Water Authority borrowed the remaining funds from BB& T.

In 2008 the Water Authority took bids on the construction of the water plant, lines to serve Greensboro and High Point to a distribution pumping station and a line to serve Archdale with a buster pumping station and an elevated tank in case Randolph County wants to distribute water at sometime in the future.

Jones said that everything is installed and we are waiting on testing and sterilization. Between now and the end of June testing will take place. The Public Water Supply Section of the State will require the Water Authority to be in operation for a period of time, before they can sale water. The Water Authority will have to prove to the State that they can supply adequate water before final approval.

Jones said this plant is over designed compared to other plants in this area. Jones said we hope to start pumping water in July.

Mayor Volz stated he understands that the one filtration plan can produce 12 million gallons of water a day. Mayor Volz asked if there were any projections to build a second filtration plant. Jones stated that with minor alterations they can increase that number to 18 million gallons per day.

Council Member Nixon-Roney asked if we can project any maintenance cost for this project. Jones said there is a maintenance person on the job site at all times. The cost is in the salary of the maintenance employee. Those salaries are available from the Water Authority.

Mayor Volz asked Charles Jones to remain standing. He then read and presented to Charles Jones the "Order of the Long Leaf Pine" Award which is awarded from the Governor of the State of North Carolina. Mayor Volz read the following from the Award.

Reposing special confidence in the integrity, learning and zeal of
Charles J. Jones, I do by these presents confer
The Order of the Long Leaf Pine,
With the rank of Ambassador Extraordinary privileged to enjoy fully all rights granted
To members of this exalted order among which is the special privilege to propose the
Following North Carolina Toast in select company anywhere in the free world:

Here's to the land
Of the long leaf pine,
The summer land
Where the sun doth shine,
Where the weak grow strong
And the strong grow great,
Here's to "Down Home,"
The Old North State!

Charles Jones thanked the Governor, Mayor and Council for this special award. Jones introduced John Kime who was present at the meeting. Kime is the Director of the Water Authority.

5. Public Comment Period – No one registered to speak.
6. Bid Award for Guilford Road Water System Improvement – Kathryn Billings stated the Town of Jamestown went out for bids on this project, which is to include construction of a water main along Guilford Rd. Breece Enterprises was the low bidder on the project. Billings said that

Breece Enterprises has done work for the Town before and we were pleased with their performance. The work is to begin immediately and finish the first week of July.

Council Member Thomas made a motion to approve the low bid by Breece Enterprises in the amount of \$198,030. Council Member Ragsdale made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

7. Proposed Budget Amendment for Guilford Rd. water system improvement – Judy Gallman stated a budget amendment is needed in the amount of \$200,000.00 for the water line project along Guilford Rd. Council Member Thomas made a motion to approve the budget amendment in the amount of \$200,000.00 for the Guilford Rd water line project. Council Member Gray made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Budget amendment # 10		Debit	Credit
Capital Outlay Water Improvements	30-7100-5800	200,000.00	
Nets Assets Appropriated	30-3992		200,000.00
Total	Budget Amendment \$200,000.00		

8. Naming approval for the Community Park – Kathryn Billings stated we have a request to formally name the downtown Park. The Town has secured both pieces of property. During negotiations with the Owners, both requested that the Town name the park for their families.

The Wrenn portion of the Park is the larger property. So, we placed that name first – Wrenn-Miller Park. Staff requests that the Council officially adopt this name. Council Member Ragsdale made a motion to adopt the name for the Community Park as the “Wrenn-Miller Park.” Council Member Gray made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Billings also reported that on Monday May 3rd, 2010 at 6:30 pm in the Council Chambers the Town will host a Community Meeting to display 3 proposed design plans for the Park. We are seeking community input and opinions on these designs. The Parks & Recreation Committee is hosting this Community Open House as their May meeting.

9. Financial Statement – Judy Gallman presented the financial statement for the month ending March 31, 2010. She reported the following.
 - Total Cash balance for the Town of Jamestown approximately 6.2 million
 - Cash reserved for Powell Bill and Randleman Reservoir approximately 2 million
 - Total debt balance is approximately \$238,000.00
 - Revenues & Expenditures should be at 75% and revenues are close to that percentage
 - Revenues are exceeding expenditures

Gallman went on to report in the detailed financial statement for the month ending March 31, 2010 that funds were paid to repair water damage to the concession building at the soccer fields. Insurance claim proceeds paid for the majority of these repairs. Also within the month of March, the Town had some fees associated with the Wrenn – Miller Park. The Town continues to pay fees for drainage work at the Golf Course.

10. Public comment Period – No one registered to speak.

11. Other Business – Mayor Volz congratulated Denzell Faison for being accepted to Duke University next fall.

Council Member Nixon-Roney made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Thomas made a second to the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote. The meeting ended at 7:26 pm.