

SPENCER BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING  
NOVEMBER 10, 2014  
7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Jody Everhart  
Mayor Pro-Tem Jim Gobbel  
Aldermen: Scott Benfield  
Mike Boone  
Kevin Jones  
Jeff Morris  
Reid Walters

Also present were Town Manager Larry Smith and Attorney Rivers Lawther. Mayor Everhart opened the meeting with prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

RECOGNITION – Alderman Boone thanked the police department for the extra coverage on Halloween night. Alderman Gobbel thanked the Town Manager for the good article about Spencer Library in the Salisbury Post. Mayor Everhart recognized the public works department for their leaf pickup program.

STUDENT APPRECIATION AWARDS went to Malakie Harris, North Rowan Elementary School; and Amber Gobble, North Rowan Middle School.

1. ADDITIONS / DELETIONS AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

**MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN BENFIELD TO ADOPT THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN GOBBEL AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN JONES TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE HOUSING STRATEGIES WORK SESSION ON SEPTEMBER 30 AND THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING ON OCTOBER 14, 2014. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BOONE AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS were given by Police Chief Mike James, Fire Chief Jay Baker, Public Works Director Joel Taylor, Land Management Director Kathryn Clifton, and Town Clerk Lisa Perdue.

4. TOWN MANAGER LARRY SMITH reported on town projects and events, and Small Town Main Street. Alderman Gobbel feels that signage is needed for Town Hall if coming from Salisbury. Town Manager Smith will pursue.

5. MAYOR EVERHART reported on meetings and events he had attended.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT – Patsy Duncan addressed the Board with various concerns.

NEW BUSINESS

7. RESOLUTION 14-05 – GUIDELINES FOR NON-PROFITS

**MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN WALTERS TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 14-05, AN AMENDMENT TO THE POLICY ESTABLISHING GUIDELINES FOR FUNDING OF NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MORRIS AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

8. STORMWATER BID ACCEPTANCE

**MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN MORRIS TO GO FORWARD WITH THE ABATEMENT, AND AWARD THE CONTRACT TO BLANKENSHIP GRADING AND UTILITIES, LLC FOR \$9,500.00. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BENFIELD AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

9. GEOGRAPHY AWARENESS WEEK AND GIS DAY

**MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN MORRIS TO ADOPT GEOGRAPHY AWARENESS WEEK NOVEMBER 17-21, AND GIS DAY ON NOVEMBER 19, 2014. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BENFIELD AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

10. CLOSED SESSION – TOWN MANAGER’S EVALUATION

**MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN GOBBEL TO TAKE A SHORT RECESS AND GO INTO CLOSED SESSION FOR THE TOWN MANAGER’S ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN JONES AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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**MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN MORRIS TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN WALTERS AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN MORRIS TO TAKE NO ACTION FROM THE CLOSED SESSION, BUT ADD FURTHER DISCUSSION OF THE TOWN MANAGER’S COMPENSATION IN CLOSED SESSION ON THE AGENDA FOR THE DECEMBER MEETING. MOTION SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BENFIELD AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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With no further business, Mayor Everhart adjourned the meeting at 9:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa B. Perdue, CMC  
Clerk to the Board