

**Town Council Meeting Minutes
North Town Hall
February 12, 2017**

Mayor Carson called the regular meeting of Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Council members Cook, Washington and Jackson.

- Mayor Carson declared a quorum and welcomed visitors.
- Mayor Carson led Council and visitors in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Councilmember Jackson made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 9, 2017 Council meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Washington and upon vote the minutes were approved unanimously.
- Councilmember Cook made a motion to approve the Public Hearing minutes from the January 26, 2017 Public Hearing meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Jackson and upon vote the minutes were approved unanimously.

POLICE REPORT: Chief Lin Shirer (report attached)

NEW BUSINESS:

- Account Statement for January, 2017
- Needs Assessment follow-up
 - Carson asked each member of Council to select from the priority list a project that they would work on for 2017.
- SCE&G bill for Town of North athletic fields
 - Carson shared with Council that for the past 12 years, the Little League has been paying the utility bill. The Town currently pays the utility bill for the library and suggested that the Town do the same for the athletic fields.
 - Councilmember Washington made a motion for the Town to begin paying the SCE&G bill for the Town of North athletic fields. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Cook and upon vote was approved unanimously.
- Update on 2015-2016 FY audit
 - During the 2015-2016 FY audit, revenues exceeded expenses by \$96,951 due to close monitoring of the budget. During the prior FY, expenses exceeded revenue for a loss of \$16,790. There was 15.7% increase in business license revenues due to the Police Department's enforcement of Town ordinance.

MAYORS REPORT:

- Report Attached

COUNCIL ANNOUCEMENTS:

- Washington: no report
- Cook: no report
- Jackson: no report
- Jones: no report

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (written request) 3 minutes

- Sherryl Mitchum – North Branch Library initiatives.
- Mr./Mrs. Cecil Knotts - Water Policy

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (per sign in sheet) 3 minutes

- Beth Ritter - Water Policy
- Ms. Whetstone – Water Policy

There being no further business, Councilmember Washington made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cook and upon vote, Council unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm.

The next Council meeting will be held on Monday, March 13, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Adrienne Kaigler
Office Administrator

APPROVED: February 12, 2017 MINUTES

Mayor Patty Carson: _____

Council Members:

Jeff Washington: _____

Julius Jones: _____

Daniel Jackson: _____

Deborah Cook: _____