

**TOWN OF WALLACE
MONTHLY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
October 14, 2010
7:00 PM**

The Wallace Town Council held it's regularly scheduled monthly meeting in the Council Chambers at the Town Hall.

The following Governing Body members were present:

Charles C. Fariior, Jr., Mayor
Councilman/ Mayor Pro-tem David Jordan (arrived late)
Councilman Warren Hepler
Councilman Jeffrey Carter
Councilman Graham Kilpatrick

The following member of the Governing Body was absent:

Councilman Michael Blackburn

Also present were:

Matt Livingston, Town Manager	Jerry James, Public Works Director
Jackie Nicholson, Town Clerk	Greg Cave, Wallace Fire Dept.
Richard Burrows, Town Attorney	Norman Preston
Kathy Hubbard, Deputy Tax Collector	Davis Carr, Robert H. Goslee & Associates
Anna Godbold, Finance Officer	Steve Paes
Craig Armstrong, Fire Administrator	James Gantt, Wallace PD
Kris Bryant, Library Director	Myrle Beringer, Wallace ABC Store Manager
Bobby Maredy, Police Chief	Rev. Edward Barnhill

Mayor Fariior called the regular meeting to order with a quorum of the governing body members present. Attorney Burrows gave the invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ABC Board presentation

Myrle Beringer, Wallace ABC store manager, presented the Council with the fourth quarter distribution of ABC revenues. Mr. Beringer presented \$6,000 for Wallace PD and \$33,000 for the general fund.

Disposition of the minutes

Mayor Farris called for discussion of the minutes from the September 9, 2010 monthly meeting, the September 21, 2010 public hearing and continued meeting. It was noted that Kris Bryant was listed as being in attendance at the September 9th meeting and she was not.

There being no other additions or corrections Mayor Farris called for a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Councilman Hepler made a motion as such. The motion was seconded by Councilman Kilpatrick and approved by unanimous vote of the Council.

Public comment period

There were no comments.

Depot update

Mayor Farris recognized Steve Paes who provided the Council with an update on the Depot “shed” project.

Tax report

The Tax Collection report for the period ending 10/07/10 was presented for the Council’s information.

Tax releases

Manager Livingston presented the following for release from their tax liability:

877500	Douglas Boykin	Change in value	\$166.32 (refund)
1637254	Harry Carrow	Change in value	\$220.08
6258069	Ora Leigh Murphy	Change in value	\$41.75
6781929	Sandra Phillips	Change in value	\$1,193.62 (refund)
1171990	Carl Brown	Property sold	\$7.87
8890842	US Bancorp Equipment	Change in value	\$21.02
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5004950	Kingdom Builders Ministry	Non-profit status	\$1,858.02
1855772	Dennis Clark	Property sold	\$47.38
183964	Doris Avila	Double billed	\$55.89
3085261	G.E. Capital Commercial	Change in value	\$78.84

Mayor Farris called for a motion to release these taxes. Councilman Carter made a motion as such. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hepler and approved by unanimous vote of the Council.

Regional sewer update

Public Works Director Jerry James reported on the progress of the Stevcoknit WWTP project. Mr. James said that more work crews were on site and significant progress is being made. The Council selected a cabinet color, counter top and sink for the lab.

Dilapidated building discussion

Manager Livingston provided the Council with an update. The Council ranked the 6 properties and directed Manager Livingston to establish a hearing date and to contact the property owners.

Tax Collector Oath

Mayor Farris gave the tax collector oath of office to Kathy Hubbard.

ISO Action report/ plan

Greg Cave, Wallace Fire Department, provided the Council with an update on preparations for the NC insurance rating inspection. Mr. Cave stated that the Fire Chief from Nashville, NC will be advising the Dept. as his department has recently been rated and it is similar to the Wallace Fire Dept.

Councilmen's items

Councilman Jordan stated that he is not satisfied with the condition of Powell St.

Councilman Kilpatrick asked about the fence on the Phillips property. There is some progress, survey stakes can be seen. Mr. Phillips is installing a 10' colored fence.

Councilman Hepler asked about the railroad crossing at Murphy St. Manager Livingston said that he had made an official complaint and it is logged into the DOT system and he will keep working on it.

Mayor's items

Mayor Farris stated that Tax Collector Hubbard sent a foreclosure list to Attorney Burrows. Mr. Burrows has yet to complete the title search.

The Council established a work session on Thurs., Nov. 4, 2010 at 6:00 pm. Two of the agenda items will be Jim Bardill, Zacchaeus Legal Services and an agreement with Duplin County Schools pertaining to Legion Stadium.

Mayor Farris presented an idea for a sign for Tin City. It will cost \$1,500; the consensus of the Council was to move forward with it.

The Council briefly discussed the status of the K-9 unit.

Manager items

Manager Livingston briefed the Council on the following items:

1. Land Use Plan – spoke with Mark Ziegler, DCA. (Add to work session agenda).
2. Spill behind Town Hall – tanks were removed at the Trask house at a cost of approximately \$17,000 – 20,000. Ground water monitoring is yet to be determined.
3. Next regular meeting – the next regularly scheduled monthly Town Council meeting is Nov. 11 which is Veteran's Day and a Town holiday. The Council took no action on this matter.
4. Zoning code revisions and unified development ordinance – working on this and has scheduled a meeting with Bob Murphrey, Division of Community Assistance and Jason Eply, Benchmark, to discuss participating in the Small Town Main Street program.
5. Web site overhaul – complete re-do of the Town's web site to increase the information provided and bring it up-to-date.
6. Bob Segal – Mr. Segal has found approximately \$45,000 in revenue to date.
7. Women's Club – all documents have been submitted in order to receive insurance reimbursement.
8. Town Seal – approached the Chamber about developing a new Town Seal.
9. Christmas at Twilight – attending planning meetings, the Town will provide support.
10. Response from Tim Jenkins, W-RH – Legion Stadium (work session)

There being no further business Mayor Farris called for a motion to adjourn Councilman Hepler made a motion as such. The motion was seconded by Councilman Kilpatrick and approved by unanimous vote of the Council. The meeting recessed at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles C. Farris, Jr. , Mayor

Jacqueline Nicholson, CMC
Town Clerk