

**January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

At 7:00pm, on Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018, in the Board Room of the Landis Municipal Building, Mayor Pro Tem Tommy Garver called to order the Town of Landis Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting. Those present along with Mayor Pro Tem Garver were Aldermen Bobby G. Brown, Tony Corriher and Seth Moore, Town Manager Reed Linn, Public Works Director Ron Miller, Police Chief Kenny Isenhour, Deputy Town Clerk Debbie Goodman, Administrative Assistant Heather Wood and Town Attorney Rick Locklear.

Mayor Mike Mahaley was not present.

A quorum was met.

Mayor Pro Tem Garver opened the meeting and welcomed all those in attendance.

The invocation was given by Pastor David Franks, who asked everyone to keep Mayor Mahaley in their prayers as he was in the hospital.

The pledge of allegiance was then led by Mayor Pro Tem Garver.

There was some discussion about the agenda.

Alderman Brown motioned, seconded by Alderman Corriher, to approve the agenda with the postponement of item #13 and to add the item to Accept the map for Oaks of Landis Phase III, as amended. All voted aye.

Alderman Brown motioned, seconded by Alderman Corriher, to adopt the minutes from the December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 regular meeting as written. All voted aye.

The first order of business concerned a public hearing regarding a petition for voluntary annexation of a parcel. It was identified as Tax Map 130, Parcel 008-B and located at the intersection of Mt. Moriah Church Road and Flat Rock Road. It was a split parcel, with part of it being inside the city limits of Landis already, and the rear portion outside. The property had been sold to New Life Development and they wanted the entire parcel within town limits in order to develop it. Eventually they wanted to subdivide the parcel and build four homes. All utilities were available at the property. The petition had been signed and a certificate of sufficiency had been completed by staff.

Mayor Pro Tem Garver opened the public hearing.

*Nadine Cherry*: she inquired about the parcel's nearness to the school and wanted to know if the additional driveways would cause problems. Manager Linn stated that the matter had not been looked into yet because no plans had been submitted. However, the developers would have to come before both the Town and the DOT for approvals. Ms. Cherry stated if the driveways caused no problems, she was for the voluntary annexation.

Mayor Pro Tem Garver closed the public hearing.

Alderman Brown motioned, seconded by Alderman Corriher, to adopt an Ordinance to Extend the Corporate Limits of the Town of Landis, North Carolina. All voted aye.

The next order of business was a proclamation recognizing February 2018 as Black History Month and a proclamation to recognize January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 as Martin Luther King Jr. day.

Alderman Corriher motioned, seconded by Alderman Brown, to adopt two proclamations; one which recognized February 2018 as Black History Month and one recognizing January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 as Martin Luther King Jr. day. All voted aye.

Reverend Jordan spoke, thanking the Board for adopting both proclamations and that he felt it made a difference for unity and keeping everything together and bringing down crime.

The Board then received from the Town of New London their intent to no longer be a part of COG.

The next order of business was the approval of the issuance of bonds, which was the next step in the water project, part B. Manager Linn explained that these were revenue bonds, not geo bonds and they would be supplemented by the revenue of the (water) fund. The bonds were in the amount of \$1.2 million. Mayor Pro Tem Garver inquired if this was the ongoing water project. Manager Linn stated the project had started in 2007. Alderman Brown inquired if the work would be done before the state repaved Main Street. Manager Linn stated that the work would be completed, and they had been working with the DOT. There was some discussion of the matter.

Alderman Corriher motioned, seconded by Alderman Brown, to adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Filing of an Application with the Local Government Commission. All voted aye.

The next order of business concerned receiving the final map for Phase III of the Oaks of Landis. Manager Linn explained this was a “boilerplate” plan, and that staff had done a technical review of the map and everything was in line with what had been agreed upon. There would be sixteen new homes in this section. Additional, they presale homes, so any being built have already been sold.

Alderman Brown motioned, seconded by Alderman Corriher, to approve the final map for Phase III at the Oaks of Landis. All voted aye.

Alderman Brown motioned, seconded by Alderman Corriher, to call for a public hearing at the next regular Board Meeting on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 to discuss an Ordinance to Allow the Sale of Alcohol Beverages Before Noon on Sundays at Licensed Premises. All voted aye.

Mayor Pro Tem Garver commented that they did not have to have the public hearing, but had decided to hold one so people could have their say.

### **Department Head Comments**

*Public Works Manager Ron Miller:* stated that they had recently experienced an extreme cold snap and that even the pipes in his own home had frozen. There were about 100 customers who experienced frozen pipes or breaks. He reminded everyone that these were conditions that had not been seen in nearly 100 years. Mayor Pro Tem Garver thanked Manager Miller and his staff for their hard work.

*Police Chief Kenny Isenhour:* stated that the Police Department had instituted a new electronic reporting system which allows people to access their reports online. He also gave a “shout out” to Sandy’s Shell Station for all their hard work with the Toys For Tots program. They had donated \$500.00 to the school system for helping needy families at Christmas. They were an immense help and really saved the day. There was some discussion.

### **Board Comments**

*Mayor Pro Tem Tommy Garver:* asked everyone to keep Mayor Mahaley in their prayers.

*There were no further Board comments.*

### **Citizens Comments**

*Nadine Cherry:* inquired how the new metering system was being done, as far as meter reading went. She wanted to know when meters were actually read, the time and day, and what happened if the Town was closed on the 15<sup>th</sup> (which is when readings are pulled in for billing). Billing Clerk Debbie Goodman explained that they are read on the 15<sup>th</sup>, no matter what that day falls on, though the time of day can vary. Ms. Cherry said she was “at a loss” because when she reads her own meter it’s coming up with a different number; also she didn’t understand if the readings were pulled in on the 15<sup>th</sup>, did that mean an employee came into the office on that day. Ms. Goodman explained that even if they were not physically pulled in until the 18<sup>th</sup>, the readings would still be as of the 15<sup>th</sup> because of how the system works. Ms. Goodman also said she would be glad to look up Ms. Cherry’s readings in the system if she would call her when she did her own readings and they could compare.

Alderman Brown motioned, seconded by Alderman Moore, to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm on Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

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Heather Wood  
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