#### TOWN OF BAILEY

The Regular Meeting of the Bailey Town Board was held in the Bailey Town Hall on January 16, 2017 at 7:00pm.

The following members of the Bailey Town Board were present: Mayor Pro Tem Shelley Carroll; Commissioners Howard Wescott, Allen Daniels, Troy Conner and Jerry Bissette.

# Called the meeting to order:

Mayor Pro Tem Carroll called the meeting to order and opened the meeting and welcomed the following guests: John Ennis, Dean Holmes, Cecil and Janet Hawley, Haven Pearce and mother, Ervin Powell and family.

### Approval of minutes and financial statement:

The financial statement for January 2017 and the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of January 2017, were unanimously approved upon a motion by Commissioner Bissette and seconded by Commissioner Wescott. (5 affirm); (0 nays)

### Agenda items:

Bailey Chamber of Commerce; Cecil Hawley, President of the Bailey Chamber of Commerce updated the board on the potential projects the Bailey Chamber of Commerce would be working on during the 2017 calendar year. He also inquired and provided to the Town an application for membership with the Chamber of Commerce. The Bailey Chamber of Commerce also provided a preliminary budget outline on what the expected revenues and expenses would be for the Chamber during the 2017 calendar year.

Envirolink; Dean Holmes, representative of Envirolink, was present and had nothing to report.

Haven Pearce; Presented to the Town Board a request for funding interest on behalf of her fire extinguisher senior project. She detailed out how her project would provide an additional (44) fire extinguishers for (44) classes that currently do not have them at Southern Nash High School. She also stated that an additional reason for having these extinguishers would be for the potential use as a weapon in case of a lock down at the school. She provided paperwork and documentation supporting her project to the Town Board that would cover initial startup cost and future upkeep. Her desire is to see that enough funding would be put in place to not only cover the high school but also the Southern Nash Middle and Bailey Elementary.

### **Public Comment:**

Mayor Pro Tem opened the public comment section. With no comments made the public comments section was closed.

## **Old Business:**

Rate sheet for water/sewer customers for the Town of Bailey; Town Administrator Tim Johnson presented on when the Out-Of-Town rates were approved by a prior Town Board when water rates were increased. Currently Out-Of-Town customers (herein known as OOT's) are charged \$40 availability fee, \$3.90/1000 gallons on water and Debt Service – Water of \$6.00. He advised that there is a potential individual that wants to purchase a tap from a person in town that has had prior usage which is acceptable under the terms of the moratorium and that he is OOT. In order to provide service the OOT would need to bring the line to the nearest manhole and then the Town would become responsible for the service of that line. Commissioner Daniels wanted to know where the taps were coming from. Town Administrator Johnson stated that these were not new taps but taps that were on property where the owner had no use for them. Commissioner Bissette stated that we did not have any sewer availability for OOT's at the present and Town Administrator Johnson confirmed this for him. Commissioner Daniels stated that he always thought that OOT's paid a higher rate than Bailey residents/businesses because of OOT's did not pay town taxes. Commissioner Daniels stated that OOT's should pay at least 20% more than Bailey resident/business because of this. Town Administrator Johnson then gave the following figures for a motion: OOT customers would pay \$40 water availability fee, Debt Service Water \$6.00 and Water Rate of \$4.29/1000 gallons of usage. OOT customers would pay \$40 sewer availability fee, Debt

Service Sewer \$8.00 and \$5.31/1000 gallons of usage. The motion unanimously approved upon a motion by Commissioner Conner and seconded by Commissioner Daniels. (5 affirm); (0 nays)

#### **New Business:**

Order to Collect Taxes Resolution; Town Administrator Johnson advised that the Board of Commissioners that it is their responsibility to give authority to the Tax Collector for the Town of Bailey to handle the disposition of tax records and receipts each tax year. He stated that the board needed to give Mayor Pro Tem the authority to sign this certification of disposition and the board unanimously conveyed that authority to her. The form was signed by Mayor Pro Tem Carroll and is now on file in Town Hall.

Logics ICOBOL seat license; Town Administrator Johnson advised the Board that there was a problem with not having enough seat licenses for the systems in the office which was causing problems with not being able to serve customers efficiently. Currently the town only has (2) ICOBOL seat licenses which cause a stoppage in work related activities when there are (2) people in the office. If certain functions are used then only two terminals can be up at any given time. This causes for one person to not have access into Logics. Commissioner Carroll asked what the pleasure of the board was. Commissioner Daniels stated that he understood and that it was aggravating not having something available when needed. The motion unanimously approved upon a motion by Commissioner Daniels and seconded by Commissioner Conner. (5 affirm); (0 nays)

Haven Pearce Senior Project; Mayor Pro Tem Carroll asked the board if they wanted to entertain a motion on the request for the Senior Project in new business. Commissioner Daniels asked if using ones that could be refurbished maybe in the range of 6 to 10 lbs could be done. Ms. Pearce stated that the extinguishers would need to be 5 lbs or under due to deployment and ease of use for staff at the school. Commissioner Conner stated that maybe there were some companies that would be willing to donate to her cause. Commissioner Bissette asked for this item to be tabled and it was agreed by the board to do so.

#### Commissioner's remarks:

Commissioner Daniels stated that he would begin working on the equipment list for the town. There were no additional remarks from the Commissioner's

# Mayor's remarks:

There were no Mayor remarks

## **Department Heads Remarks:**

Administrator Johnson stated that the Holiday schedule was corrected to show that Veterans Day is on Nov 10 rather than Nov 11. He also asked if the Mayor Pro Tem wanted to cover the cleaning proposal. Mayor Pro Tem brought the matter up to the board and they asked for it to be placed in the next month's packet for consideration. Administrator Johnson advised that there was items from 2006 and earlier on the tax scroll that were not enforceable under statute to be collected.

#### **Closed Session:**

Commissioner Conner made a motion to go in closed session as permitted by NCGS 143-318 (a) (6) to consider the qualification competence and performance of an employee. Commissioner Wescott seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. (5 affirm); (0 nays)

Commissioner Conner made a motion to return to open session and it was seconded by Commissioner Wescott and the motion passed unanimously. (5 affirm); (0 nays)

Adjournment:

Carol Brown

There being no further business, Commissioner Conner made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Bissette seconded the motion and the motion unanimously passed. (5 affirm): (5 nays)

Mayor Pro Tem