

TOWN OF BAILEY MEETING MINUTES 4/19/21

The Regular Meeting of the Bailey Town Board of Commissioners was held on April 19, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

The following members of the Bailey Town Board were present: Commissioners Ervin Powell, Joel Killion, Dwan Finch, Shelley Bullard and Allen Daniels. Also in attendance Kellie Glover, Town Clerk, Shawn Lucas, Zoning/Code Enforcer and Interim Police Chief Cathy Callahan.

Called the meeting to order:

Mayor Pro Tem Finch called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the April 19, 2021 meeting at 7:00pm. Mayor Richards is not able to attend due to a work schedule. I will be conducting the meeting. Thank you all for coming out tonight. Commissioner Powell will lead us in prayer then we will follow with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Financial Statements and Minutes:

Commissioner Killion stated I make a motion to accept the Financial Statements for February and March 2021 and the Meeting Minutes for February 2021. Commissioner Powell seconded, motion passed.

AGENDA:

Walter Wells, Chair Bailey Planning Board stated we met last Monday night and we also met as Board of Adjusters. The reason we met is because we had to formalize the Chair for the Planning Board and the Board of Adjusters, which is me. The Vice Chair for the Planning Board and the Board of Adjusters will be Cecil Hawley. There was a discussion about the maps. The color coding is very difficult to distinguish. Shawn is using the Nash County GIS that is off as well. We are going to look at that and make it simpler for everyone to look at. Thank you Kellie for getting the info to Tammy about the online training portal she has been on and so have I. The Planning Board has two members that will be rotating off in June. Diane Melton is the representative for inside Bailey and Mark Boykin is the representative for outside of Bailey. They both have indicated they would like to continue to participate on the Planning Board. Both do a great job. Thank you.

Nick Green, President of Bailey Chamber of Commerce asked how are you all doing this evening. The sunrise service at Easter went really well. We had about 50-70 people come out. The Praise Band from the Methodist Church was on point. Pastor Daniel was on point with a great sermon. We are still receiving applications, if anyone knows anyone in the Nash County district we offer a one thousand dollar scholarship to seniors going to college. On May 15th we have the event. Chicken wing cook off which start at 7am and will go until 11am. We have 15 spots open for teams and 13 have already paid. From 11am to 1pm we will have Big Dawg radio station out. They will announce the winner. We will have three judges they will come from out of town. They judge State wide cook offs all over NC. We have a celebrity judge, Matt Winslow. Around 3pm food trucks will start rolling in to get ready for the band. The band will set up between the laundry mat and the police station. We will have port a johns and hand washing stations set up all along Main Street. This was rather expensive to get together. We have spent around five thousand dollars already. The Chamber would like to ask the Town of Bailey to donate to help with the overhead expenses. We have had a huge up in the Chamber. We have had a lot of people join.

Kellie Glover, Town clerk stated Nick I have something from Vince Sievert. It is a letter of permission and a street map and layout for the event on May 15. That needs the Boards approval.

Nick Green commented also there will be a beverage tent. All the detail with that has been taken care of. The Chamber got broken into last weekend. A window was broken, just wanted to make you are aware of that. That is all I have unless you have any questions for me. We are not going to do vendors this time. We would like to get the foot traffic on Main Street into the business on Main Street. If I bring vendors in I am doing the exact opposite of what the Chamber is supposed to do, which is create revenue for the business of Bailey.

Commissioner Finch asked there is a chicken wing cook off and also food truck?

Nick Green answered with the chicken wing cook off we will sell wrist bands. With the wrist bands you can go around and try all of the wings. The food trucks will not come in until 3pm after the wing cook off. We will have three place winners and a people's choice award. Tammy did this all. I am just the President.

Commissioner Finch asked this is a permission slip from Vince? There are two beverage tents. What is difference?

Nick Green replied the beverage tent is one for beer and one for soft drinks. We are going to start setting up tents around 3 o'clock. We will serve from 4pm until 9pm. You will have to buy a ticket so no one can over indulge. All proceeds will be donated to the Bailey PD. Interim Police Chief Callahan has signed off on the alcohol part.

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to approve the Nam Knights Motorcycle Club to have a beer tent on May 15, 2021. Commissioner Killion seconded, motion passed.

Dave Strum, Envirolink commented good evening. You have the report for March. Just a couple of updates we have had good weather lately. The freeboard is at 3.5 feet. That is the best I have ever seen it. The well project update Well One has been running for about a month and a half. We official started on Well Two demolition this week. They have removed all of the old piping. They are going to provide the Town with a quote to install a soft start like we did at Well One. I sent you a quote for about thirty-six hundred dollars. I cannot guarantee it will be the same price because Well Two is a bigger well. I am in the process of getting the official quote.

Kellie Glover, Town Clerk stated I have two questions 6601 Vance Street for Judith Rogers. Can you give me any information on that address? 5930 Deans Street where are we on that. The resident called me about that.

Dave Strum replied we are contacting contractors right now to get quotes for 5930 Deans Street.

Kellie Glover commented I have one more, Envirolink went out to fix a water leak at 12225 Oak Avenue. The resident would like for Envirolink to spread grass seed. I had several resident state leaf and limb was not picked up. Thanks David. I will let the resident know leaf and limb will be picked up tomorrow.

Commissioner Finch asked David to tell the Board about the distressed system letter.

David Strum replied I will tell you what I know about it which is not a lot. I don't think anyone knows a lot about it. They put out a list and Bailey was designated and a committee met a couple of weeks ago to finalize the list. Some Town's got taken off and some Town's remained on. As far as I know Bailey remained on the distressed list. It is really geared to small Towns with limited revenue with water or sewer challenges. The reason Bailey was coded as I understand it was because you are under a moratorium. So the Town is limited in expansion and therefore limited in revenue to face the challenges with water and sewer. I understand it as the State has a designated fund to help the Towns. The problem is with what I am hearing is there are so many Towns being designated and the funds are limited. The State does not know how it is going to work. It is brand new they just developed it.

Commissioner Finch stated I spoke to someone at Rural Water today and he said one hundred twenty towns got this designation. He said it is based on a point system. There is nine million dollars funded through the State. I just wanted you all to know.

David Strum replied all of the points are based on your last audit. They really did not collect any information about your water and sewer. It is all based on financial data.

Commissioner Finch stated I will mention the soft start. I reached out to David Honeycutt last week in preparation to tonight's meeting. What is the status at the filtration project? Well One is doing great. They started Well Two last Thursday. Back in August we had a meeting, they wanted to use the soft start using the same electrician and everything. They want to be done with this project on June 30th. We only have two meeting before that. I asked David Strum to get us a price for the soft start so the Board could approve it tonight if at all possible. Also, Allen they said for Well Two Spencer wanted to put up a building to put the chemicals in. I have a recommendation from David Honeycutt for less than a thousand dollars. Do you want to look at that?

David Strum commented the chlorine cannot take extreme heat or cold. Unless that building has some climate control in it....

Commissioner Daniels stated we need to stay with Sanford Electric. Spencer really liked the way the guy engineered how the soft starts comes on and cuts off. This guy is good.

Commissioner Finch replied I want to go ahead and get an approval for the soft start. But we will have to wait until next month for that. We will have a regular meeting next Monday before the Public Hearing. We can add it to that agenda.

Public Comment:

Beth Hagwood, 6610 Williams Street commented first I would like to thank the Board for all of your help with the sewer drainage issue at Mother's house. I really appreciate that and so does she. In the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John about five thousand men and addition to the women and children were feed with five barley loaves of bread and two small fishes. In John 6:12 after all were feed Jesus said, "Gather up the fragments that remain may nothing be lost." Webster's dictionary defines a

fragment as a part broken away from the whole. As recorded in all four Gospels of the Bible the collected fragments from the five loaves of bread offer the feeding of the five thousand plus filled twelve baskets. Jesus just wanted to make sure that the fragments, pieces left over, were not to be lost. In other words, fragments are important. Each of us is a fragment in many ways. You may a fragment a piece or part of a family, a business, a community, a town or even the Town Board each having God given talents and abilities and skills. We are called to use them for the betterment for everyone as a whole. I want to thank and encourage each Board Member and all who work at the Town Hall for the collective good you have done the collective use of your abilities and gifts to help your community. Even disagreements can bring growth as long as all pieces of fragments collective work together. Before COVID hit I attended a meeting at the Bailey Baptist Church where many citizens collectively gathered to brainstorm for the good of Bailey. There was genuine sincerity and excitement as everyone brought their part and their fragment to the collective table of ideas. Remember, and please let that zeal encourage and invigorate and replenish the drive to continue to move forward together. Remember fragments are important. Thank you.

Old Business:

American Tank Maintenance

Kellie Glover stated I think you remember we talked about Tank Maintenance before. There was a gentleman named Alex who came out and talked with us about it. With COVID and all Alex reached out to me a couple of weeks ago. He stated he wanted to send me a new proposal. That proposal was included in your packet. I received an email within a couple of day of each other about another company. I reached out to that company in which it was too late for us to get a quote from that company. We can leave this under old business until we receive the other quotes.

New Business:

Braswell Memorial Library Cooperative Agreement

Commissioner Finch stated you all have this and Kellie also emailed everyone about the agreement. Included with that agreement is a five year contract. The contract is from July 2021 to July 2026. In which the Town of Bailey pays Braswell Memorial Library five thousand dollars. Commissioner Killion made a motion that we accept this motion between Braswell Memorial Library and the Town of Bailey with annual support for five years at one thousand dollars a year. Commissioner Powell seconded, motion passed.

Resolution for N.E.W. Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan

Kellie Glover stated this is a plan associated with FEMA. It has to be updated every five years. The Board needs to adopt this plan and implement the plan. Commissioner Finch read the Resolution for N.E.W. Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Commissioner Killion made a motion to adopt the N.E.W. Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Commissioner Powell seconded, motion passed.

Roof Quotes

Kellie Glover stated I will start with Roofing Solutions. Their quote is \$38,490 with a second quote of

\$840.00. If you look at the quote you will see some detailed information in their quote. I also called another company; they came out and told me the job was too big for them. So they could not quote it. Baker Roofing came out you have two quotes. There is a quote for the leaks on the side of the building where my desk is. There are details and photos with that quotes. That total is \$3,386.89. There is another quote for the roof on this side of the building. You will also see the details included in the quote. That total is \$27,500 plus a \$13,000 charge for a warranty and a gutter extender.

Commissioner Daniels stated I do not have enough information to vote. I do know it needs to be fixed because we have water coming in and it is causing electrical issues. That is the problem with the bathroom and the server.

Commissioner Finch commented let's add this to next week's meeting so we can gather more information.

Upper Coastal Plain Annual Appropriation

Commissioner Finch stated you will see this in your packet. This is for \$491.65. The membership dues assessment is \$250 plus \$0.45 per capita for five hundred thirty-seven citizens. Commissioner Killion made a motion to approve the annual appropriation for our membership for the physical year 2021-2022 for the Upper Coastal Plain of Government. Commissioner Powell seconded, motion passed.

Envirolink Price Change

Commissioner Finch stated it is on your desk in front of you. It looks like a 4% increase starting July 1st. The monthly contract is going from \$12,555.00 to \$13,057.00.

Commissioner Finch stated on the agenda next is the downtown block party. We have already talked about that. After that is the distressed unit designation and we talked about that as well.

Department Heads:

Kellie Glover, Town Clerk commented the first thing I have is a daughter called me and would like for the Town to buy back her Mother's cemetery plot. The plot is E-3B, she purchased the plot for \$600. The 2021 NC Rural Water Annual Conference is May 10-13 in Winston- Salem. A gentleman from Middlesex Lock and Key did some work for the Town Hall and the PD. He gave me a check dated for 11/13/2019 for \$160.00. He had misplaced this check. He would like to know if the Town will give him another check. The check has not cleared the bank. There is a Sideline invoice it is dated 6/20/20. This is Mike Cooper. He replaced the Railroad sign at the bridge. It is for \$700.00. He brought the invoice into the Town Hall not long ago. Also, in your packet you will find a late notice from Railroad Management Company for \$548.88. You have the 2021 Municipal Elections paperwork in your packet. We need to make sure all of this information is correct so I can sign it and return the paperwork. Mayor Richards term expires in 2023, Ervin in 2023, Shelley in 2021, Joel in 2023, Allen in 2023 and Dwan in 2021. If that is all correct I will sign and return to the Nash County Board of Elections. Computer Central can connect the Town Hall with the Police Department as far as the network. Callahan has the figures; she can give you more details on that. With the grass cutting contract there is one for the Town and one for the Cemetery. The contract needs to be reviewed, approved, and signed.

Commissioner Daniels stated I don't know who called Mike Cooper; it should be an insurance company that should pay for this. Call Cecil and ask him about it. I would not pay the Railroad Management bill. I get a lot of crazy bills. I make a motion to pay Middlesex Lock and Key. He does come out and he is very reasonable. Commissioner Killion seconded, motion passed.

Commissioner Bullard stated we need to get the Power of Attorney from the daughter in order to buy the plot back. I make a motion to buy back the plot for \$600.00 as long as the power of attorney is shown. Commissioner Killion seconded, motion passed.

Shawn Lucas, Zoning/Code Enforcer commented for the past month we had one text amendment which we will talk about later. Four code violations came in that we have already taken care of. One zoning violation came in out of the ETJ and I am working with him on that. We had five graveyard appointments and trash can drop off was two. Sign removal from the highway was sixteen. We need a motion for Nick so he will not have to pay the zoning fee for alcohol. Commissioner Bullard made the motion for the \$50 fee to be waived for the Chamber. Commissioner Killion seconded, motion passed. We still have to advertise we have positions open on the Planning Board. Joel will you run it on the website for us? The cut off time will be June 7th and we will vote on June 21st. There will be a Public Hearing at 7pm next week. The residents can email their comments by Monday at 3pm. They must include their full name and address. Kellie or I will read their comments at the meeting. When we get a new color scheme for the Town maps Brad at Nash County can key it in and update our color scheme to go with the Nash County GIS. This is for zoning.

Interim Chief Cathy Callahan, Bailey Police Department stated we have to have a firewall and a server at the Police Department. The price is \$3,660 then we will pay \$250 a month service fee. We can hook up with the Town's server then it would only cost us \$100 a month. Commissioner Killion made a motion to hook the Police Department into a shared network with the Town Hall for a savings of \$3,500 a year plus. Commissioner Killion seconded, motion passed. We have had some issues with vehicle 11. This last issue we were given an estimate of two thousand dollars for a repair. I was thinking maybe we should trade in vehicle 11. The trade in value is like \$6,000 and use any unspent money to buy a new car for around \$22,000. Just a thought instead of throwing money into it. I will get some quotes for new Chargers. There was a break in at the Chamber. I know who the suspect is and he admitted to it. I am pressing charges. We are going through with the Federal Grant with Ms. Outlaw it will include other drugs not just opioids. We are working with the Church of God to open up an emergency crisis place. That would elevate the problem with break ins because they need a place to sleep. That will be part of what the funding is used for.

Commissioner Killion stated thank you for filling in the gap in a big way.

Commissioner's Remarks

Commissioner Killion commented we are going to take care of the Chief's position and the officers as soon as possible.

Commissioner Bullard had no comment.

Commissioner Finch commented last time we meet in February I was talking about the MAPS group. The Board did not like the idea of spending that kind of money. The other name I received from the League, I called but never got through. Since then someone from the League visited the Town and talked to Kellie. She recommends that Kellie reach out to some of the other Municipalities the size of Bailey to see if we if we can get a replica of their personnel policy. When we get that the Board can look it over and we can get an approval by the lawyer. I highly recommend that we eventually get the MAPS group to come out. The effluent meter has been without electricity. I found out about it at the February meeting. I got an email from Envirolink about the cost of an effluent meter. I have some quotes one was for solar panel. It was recommended not to go with the solar panel it is not always sunny. I have a quote from Sanford Electric; this is a contractor Envirolink works with. I got a quote from Freedom Electric. I called Watson Electric they never contacted Dave Strum. Then I reached out to Duke Power about a closer power source. It measures between six hundred and seven hundred feet away from the electric source. We went out to look if there was another source there is one on 264 Alt. the problem with that is the Railroad. There is another pole that is closer but at this pole you have to get a new transformer and a new meter box on that pole. I have a turnkey job quote. The meter charge would be about twenty dollars a month. A got another quote from Freedom Electric they would provide and install a #10 UF cable direct barred down driveway from Pump building to water meter. Terminate the existing breaker and existing meter. A single phase 120voltage. He assured me there would not be any loss of voltage and the meter would get what it needed. The quote from Duke Energy with the pole that is closer the turnkey quote is \$5,287.52. The Sanford Electric is \$4,907.26. The quote from Freedom Electric is \$4,635.64. I make a motion to go with Freedom to provide the install of the cable for the effluent meter for \$4,635.64. Commissioner Killion seconded, motion passed. We have a preliminary report from Mack Gay on the sewer AIA. It will go along with planning with the distressed unit. I also recommend we do another smoke test, this is recommended by NC Rural Water to do a smoke test once a year. We are looking to put that on the calendar for May. I have learned with getting the quotes there is a mess at the meter box. The cable has been pulled away, there are several holes. I would like for the Board to put in cameras at all of our wastewater treatment plants and wells I would like to budget for that for safety purposes. The last time we meet we had a lot of questions and concerns about Brock Circle. I reached out to the engineer. I learned when the Town did some slip lining it was supposed to go to Brock Circle but they ran out of money. Brock Circle is an unimproved resident area that has access to several mobile homes. The road is on one track owned by one individual. The existing mobile homes are connected to the Town's sewer system. The Town has a single collection line that extends through the mobile home park. The backyard of a couple of single family homes back up to it. Old maps show that the sewer lines are vitrified clay pipes. This pipe is really close to the homes. Rehabilitation of the existing sewer lines was proposed as part of the Towns 2006 Sanitation Sewer Rehab Project but was removed from the scope due to lack of funds available. So in 2019 the Town did the CBDG with the income surveys. We did not get the CDBG but they took that information and applied it to this grant. So that is why Brock Circle was chosen. They will put in the new and formal easements so the Town would have legal access, to move the lines far away from the residences to make future maintenance easier. The Town will only borrow funds that are spent. Based on the brief conversation we can us it if we find other needs. I hope this answers some of your questions.

Commissioner Powell commented about paving pot holes in Bailey. Kellie called ABC Paving but never received any quotes. Williams gave an estimate for Pine, Williams, Deans, Nash, and Vance Street it was \$4,200. Quality Ground gave an estimate for the same potholes for \$1,725. Williams will use 2 inches and Quality will use 3 inches. Pine, Deans, and Nash is DOT. There is a tree off Deans Street in the alley; Quality Ground also will do that. Reliable Tree Service will take the tree down to the rotten part for \$900 and Quality Ground was \$1,500. When I spoke to Allen he told me it was on our side. Shawn and I went to look at it and he says it is on our side. On the GIS map the tree is on the right of way. I need some clarity on this because I don't want to pick and choose whose tree to take down. So next time we know what to do. Let's put this on hold for now, until everything is concrete. We can do a text amendment for this.

Commissioner Daniels stated it is 15 foot right away on each side. On the alley it is just what you drive on. The maps are not exactly right. I would say no, but cut the limbs.

Commissioner Daniels made a motion to accept Quality Grounds estimate for \$1,500 to fix the potholes in Town. Commissioner Killion seconded, motion passed.

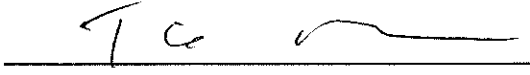
Commissioner Daniels commented since we have been working on this grass cutting contract, do you all have any questions? He went up \$250 on the Cemetery. He went up on a section behind the Railroad. If it is Railroad property why is the Town cutting it? Can't we make them cut it? Or send the bill to them? He shows up and does his job. He does a good job. I would like to make a motion on this. This is for the 31st of March. He had to move some flowers on a grave it was \$1,176. And for the Town it was \$1,042. I make a motion that we pay this invoice. He did fill in some holes in the drive way. He will do it for \$250 to fill in those. Commissioner Killion seconded, motion passed. I will clarify about picking up the flowers after a funeral. I will talk to them about fill in the graves. Or if Garfield will do it let him. Ever who is out there with the equipment can do it. When we do the smoke test, David can you make sure we have all the drains sealed this time. We are gaining three inches every time it rains one inch. I would like to put these pictures into the minutes. I would like this stuff this to be removed. There has been some stuff with concrete dumped out there. I have asked several times for these trees to be removed. If we need to send requests then let's do that. I need the spray guns to be fixed. This picture where the drain was stopped up and running at about 40% capacity. The last spray gun number 10 is broken apart. I wish you would get Lynn back up here. This is a brand new pump and there is no oil in the pump. The other pump that cost about twenty thousand dollars it is at 40 pounds of pressure. This is a strainer that was stopped up. I took it out and cleaned it. Then the pressure went back to 100 percent pressure. You guys want a pay increase. Me and you David have a good relationship. This has gone too far. I would like a letter sent. This happens again, I think we are going to have to find a new contractor. We cannot afford to put in new equipment and it is not being maintained. It is very upsetting to me. That is all I have to say. The Clerk needs to write the letter to Envirolink, I will come by next week and we can discuss it. Commissioner Killion made a motion to accept the two contracts from Top Notch Lawn Care. Commissioner Daniels seconded, motion passed.

Commissioner Killion made a motion to go into closed session. Commissioner Powell seconded, motion passed.

Commissioner Bullard made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Killion seconded, motion passed.



Kellie Glover, Town Clerk



Mayor Thomas Richards

