



Town of Walkertown, North Carolina

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Walkertown Town Council Meeting

Walkertown Library Auditorium

THURSDAY 7:00 P.M. SEPTEMBER 28, 2006

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Doc Davis at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Davis, Council members Ralph Landreth, Brenda Mabe, Sarah Welch, and Wayne Hester. Also present were Clerk Lynn, Manager Bell, and Attorney Garland.

The invocation was given by Ralph Landreth and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sarah Welch.

Mayor Davis specially welcomed back Mayor Pro Tem Wayne Hester, who missed the last meeting due to surgery.

MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED
BY: BRENDA MABE
SECOND: WAYNE HESTER
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

- August 24, 2006
- August 24, 2006 – CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MINUTES FOR AUGUST 22, 2006 AND THE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES FOR AUGUST 24, 2006, AS PRESENTED
BY: BRENDA MABE
SECOND: SARAH WELCH
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC SESSION

THIS SESSION IS FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY AND IS LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER WHEN SPEAKING TO ANY ITEM, PLEASE RESTRICT YOUR REMARKS TO THE SUBJECT AT HAND.

Public Session was opened at 7:03 p.m. with three speakers signed up.

1. Marilyn Martin
2733 Martin Street

I have a question regarding the money left by Mr. Waggoner; probably Mr. Garland could answer this for me. Was it written down in Mr. Waggoner's will

that the Town of Walkertown had to have a plan in place to spend this money by the end of 2006? I keep hearing this is the date; if not, it would go to the Winston-Salem Foundation, so I just wondered if it was indeed written down in the will that the money goes back to them at the end of this year without a plan.

MR. GARLAND answered: It's not but what is in the will is that it does go to the Foundation if the Town doesn't use it and the Executor then has to make the decision as to whether or not the Town is moving toward using the gift in the way it was given so as with anything else, where there's no specific deadline, it's a reasonable period of time. I think the first we learned of it was maybe over a year ago; maybe, is that it.....?

MS. MARTIN: Are any of his other charitable donations with limitations also. Do you know?

MR. GARLAND: And, again, I don't think I'm saying that there's a limitation. I think some of the others have been.....I'm sorry.....the short answer is, is that I'm theorizing without the facts here but my recollection of the meeting that we had was that any of the other donations that were given, whoever they were given to have committed to using them in the manner in which they were intended so.....

MS. MARTIN:So as long as Walkertown has a plan to show that they are trying to do what is best for all the citizens of Walkertown, then that will validate.....

MR. GARLAND:Again, we had a meeting, it's probably been a couple of months now and I have never gotten the impression that anyone is saying that if the Town is in good faith moving toward utilizing the funds as they were intended, that they were setting any sort of arbitrary deadline. They just, I think the Executor would like to see that there is, that opposed to it just sort of sitting and not being anything other than a fund labeled "Recreation" – that it's tough for her to be able to then close out the estate because she doesn't really have any indication other than it's in a fund called, you know, "Recreation", that it's going to be used for the purpose that it was intended.

MS. MARTIN: Who is the Executor?

MR. GARLAND: Betty Quick, at Womble, Carlyle.

MS. MARTIN: Well, I have been seeing it in the Kernersville News -- they had that stipulation yesterday in the paper that the money would go back to the Winston-Salem Foundation if

MR. GARLAND:But.....And the answer is that, yes, in the will, if the bequest is not used in the manner, you know, if the people who get the bequest aren't going to use it in the manner in which it was intended, then, yes, it would go to the residuary beneficiary and all the leftover money goes to the Winston-Salem Foundation..... Again.....

MS. MARTIN:I may have to let you show me that because I couldn't find it. But, thank you.

MR. GARLAND:And, again. I'm being told it by the people that I.....respect.....

MS. MARTIN:I understand.....I just thought you might know off the top of your head.....

MR. GARLAND:Not off the top of my head.....

MAYOR DAVIS:We're out of time.

MR. HESTER: Marilyn, let me assure you that we have been working on that and a plan was developed in June and then I was going to meet with Ms. Quick and our attorney – and a meeting was never set up. And in July, at the meeting, I was already set up for my surgery so I didn't get to meet. But there are plans in effect and if that's all they need, then we have it!!

2. Kim Marshall
5245 Sullivantown Road

I am the Chairman of the Walkertown School Committee that works under the auspices of this council, working towards getting us a high school in Walkertown. Good to see all of you here tonight. I know you're here for a different reason but I'm glad to have the opportunity to put some facts out there. For the council, we have met twice since the last council meeting. In that time, we've been busy. We have scheduled on the 25th of October at the Elementary School, next door, at 7:00 that evening, it's on a Wednesday evening, Dr. Martin will be out here in Walkertown. He will be presenting their program on the bond and available to answer questions at the end of that presentation. We were hoping to do a different night but we were kind of at the mercy of his schedule. With that being said, we will be sending information out to the elementary schools on their Wednesday packets, where they send information out, so the parents will know about this meeting. We're also going to send information out to the churches and any other way we can find to get it out there. We'd like to see a good crowd at that meeting that night in support of the bonds and to ask questions if you have them. The other thing we have is that we do have some yard signs and we're working on a methodology of getting those out. We may put some of them at Town Hall and different things or if anybody needs a yard sign, get in touch with Lynn or one of them at Town Hall and we can make those available to you. We also are working on getting some of the handouts, I'm going to take some of those to Town Hall but if you've been to any of the events at any of the schools over the last few weeks, you've probably been handed one of the handouts from the School System or from the Bond Campaign. There's also a website – that is, voteforourkids.com --- It is the website for the bond campaign. They're looking for volunteers, for folks that can donate a couple of hours at a time – close to Election Day – to make some phone calls and get out to get people to get out and vote for the bond. With that being said, we also know that school is talking a Fall Break during the week of elections – absentee voting is available now ! You can request an absentee ballot. Early voting starts October 19th through November 4th. That's at the Forsyth County Government Center – Weekdays, it'll be open from 8 til 5. On Mondays, it'll be open from 8 to 7. On Saturdays – October 21st and 28th and on November 4th, that facility will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. And on the two Sundays, October 22nd and 29th, it'll be open from 1 until 5. So, if you think you're going to be out of town on Election Day, there's an opportunity to go vote and support our schools. If you'll afford me just an extra minute or two, one of the things that there's been a lot of questions about how we spend the money and how the Forsyth County School System handles money --- I don't know how many people are familiar with the John Locke Foundation, but it's a "*think tank*" down in Raleigh. They have an article from back in February this year. They were talking about bonds and they sing the praises of Forsyth County and the way they handle their school bonds. One of

the things that they said is that *“Forsyth County’s philosophy is this, they hold the line; they’re specific as to what they’re going to do in their bond. Once they set the size and occupation, they resist wish lists and departmental lobbies that can drive up costs.”* They also go so far as to say if you pay attention to some of the things that are going on in this county, maybe not Walkertown, there are a lot of folks who question why they don’t use private groups to manage their construction here. There’s been a number of questions especially from some of the folks in other parts of the county about why the School System doesn’t do that. This foundation looks at it and says, *“Winston-Salem/Forsyth County oversees its own construction; meaning – no bond money goes to construction management firms. More field and a fellow construction specialist, Bill Powell, spent several years in the private sector before coming to work for the School System so they not only know construction, but they know how to keep costs down.....”*

MAYOR DAVIS:Try to summarize if you can, Kim. Running out of time.

MR. MARSHALL:I’m finished up. They go on to say that by doing this, they’re able to hold themselves accountable for what they do. They feel like they’re basically representing an 82 year old woman on a fixed income, that they’re spending her money. We have an opportunity to get a school out here! We need to get people out to support it. The committee is working hard to get there. Anybody wishes to help, we’d be more than willing to have that help and it’s nice to see that there are a lot of folks around this state who look at all the bond packages across the state, who think Forsyth County does it right. Appreciate the opportunity and we’ll keep working for it!

3. Kathy Whicker
4880 Westray Lane
Walkertown NC

I’m here to speak for the Concerned Parents of Walkertown Little League Committee, for a Walkertown Recreation complex. First of all, I’d like for you to look around in the room, and for all the great supporters and parents and players from Walkertown Little League, please raise your hand. I’d like to say a special thank you goes to the Spencer Waggoner family for the generous donation of \$100,000 to go towards recreation for the Town of Walkertown. On behalf of our committee, we want to thank you for your time and consideration and hope you will include our League in part of the wonderful opportunity to improve our community. The Walkertown Little League is very fortunate to lease the land from the Town. Thanks to the hard work of parents, players, families, and friends, the Recreation Complex has grown from rocks and woods to five different playing fields for our children. Playing baseball is a wonderful experience to teach our children good character, teamwork, and responsibility. It’s not just a sport! It’s a wonderful way for families of all sizes to connect or together and to make a better community. Although we are proud of the accomplishments we have developed in the past few years, there is a lot of opportunity for improvement. Until we have sewer, electricity and lights, we are limited, yet, we will continue to increase the value of our Complex and make our town proud! I know that all of you have this list and we have a list of things that we are requesting from it. First and foremost, we would love to have the sewer lines. We have been told that George Sowers

would connect the League with sewer during Phase II of his development projects. Although he hopes this will take place in two years, it could possibly be ten or more – there's no guarantee. With this in mind, please consider going after grants to increase the money you have and fix the sewer system. Without the sewer system, we are wasting away by your profits to our League and ways to improve our town complex. Once we have sewer, this is a golden opportunity improvement to the League by selling concessions. This also opens opportunity to make a community center on the other five acres of land which is a win-win situation for us all. Working together, we can make a better community. You have the list of all the things that we are requesting, if you do decide to divide it up, and it's for \$64,802. We will continue to work hard and do our best to improve our facilities at the complex. We greatly appreciate any amount of donation you'll consider for the children of our park. It will be used for general operations, equipment, or field maintenance of the League. Giving back to the League is an opportunity to help the children in our community, increase the value of town-owned property, which is a win-win situation for us all. Good children make good families, good families make good towns. Thanks for your time and consideration.

Public Session was closed at 7:18 p.m.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:

1. **PUBLIC HEARING #1**

Advertised 09-07-06 and 09-14-06

ORDINANCE # 06-

WA-009 – FINAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN APPROVAL GRANT CHILTON / AUTECH CAR WASH

Aaron King gave a brief review of this case.

MR. KING: This is a Final Development Plan for previously zoned HB-S, Two-Phase property. The first phase of this zoning was approved by the Town Council in 2004. Tonight we are just considering the Site Plan, we're not considering whether the zoning or the use is appropriate for the property – just the site plan has been submitted for the second phase request. The petitioner for this is Grant Chilton. The property is just a little bit over one-half an acre in size. It's in the southeast quadrant of 158 and 66, in the Walkertown Commons Shopping Center area, basically surrounded by HB-S zoning on all sides. A site plan has been submitted with this. This is for a 2300 square foot automatic car wash, with two bays. Access to the property will be by private street. There'll be no access out on 66. Some of the conditions we have talked about is one six foot high monument sign will be located in northeast corner of the site and there are just a note on impervious cover on the site – it does exceed the 24% that is allowed but as part of the first phase approval, the council did grant a SIDA, which covers this request. We don't have to discuss SIDA tonight- we're covered on that. At the September 12th Planning Board meeting, no one spoke in opposition to the request. The petitioner did speak in support of the request. The

Planning Board did have some discussion about what the building would look like. The petitioner did provide some building elevations to help out with that. Basically, it's a brick building, with a pitched roof – two bays. This would become a condition of approval, will attach to the site plan when they go to pull building permits for this.....

MAYOR:They face the north/south? The bays face which direction?

MR. KING:The front face 66..... I guess it would almost be a wash, because you're looking at the front rear elevations are basically the same.....

MS. MABE: ...I want to know which way.....

MR. GARLAND:The bays face out on 66.....

MR. KING:come in back here and circle around the building to get into the bay.....

But the petitioner did volunteer those as part of their request and the Planning Board also had some discussion regarding the lighting. If any lighting goes on site, the Planning Board did mention that it be consistent with the lighting already in the shopping center – the antique variety – and the petitioner was agreeable to that. So we will add those two conditions. And with those added conditions, Planning Board did recommend approval of this request to you.

MAYOR: Did the Planning Board have any concerns?

MR. KING: No concerns – well, I guess those may have been concerns but I think they have been addressed by those two. Petitioner was agreeable to those conditions.

MS. MABE: What was our watershed thing? I didn't catch that.

MR. KING: In the Salem Lake Watershed, which this property is located in, you can't exceed more than 24% impervious cover on the site. This does exceed that. It goes up to about, I think, 53% impervious cover ---- but it's covered in a SIDA – Special Development Allocation.....

MAYOR:Tell us when that SIDA was approved.....

MR. KING:When the original first phase approval came in, the council granted the SIDA to cover the whole site so we don't have to come back and ask for it at this point. It's already covered.

Public Hearing was opened at 7:22 p.m.

1. Jeffrey Saul
Glenwood Development Corporation

I just wanted to thank the Councilmembers and mayor for your consideration and I spoke at the Planning Board meeting earlier this month. Glenwood has been working with Mr. Chilton and his partner on this project and we think it's a nice amenity for the center. Thank you.

Public Hearing was closed at 7:24 p.m.

MOTION: **TO APPROVE ORDINANCE #06-003 WA-009**
FINAL DEVELOPMENT SITE PLAN FOR GRANT
CHILTON/AUTEC CAR WASH

BY: **RALPH LANDRETH**

SECOND: SARAH WELCH
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

MR. GARLAND: Mr. Mayor? Could I just point out one thing briefly? I think this might be the first one that's come up since fall, on a site plan approval? I'm not sure we've had any others..... The only point I was going to make was.....

MAYOR:Since fall, did you say?

MR. GARLAND: Since last fall. I guess we're fall now, that's right. Sorry about that. I just want to point out to some of the newer members that the site plan approval process is different than the zoning approval process in that had you had any objections to this, it would have had to have been to the site plan and the requirements of a site plan. In other words, if you had not liked the use, but the use was permitted within the Special Use zoning that you allowed, then you would not have been able to object to the site plan on that basis. And I was just pointing out that it's a different process than – and since we had this one, I thought I'd use this as an opportunity to bring that up.

MAYOR: In the two-phase, is that right?

MR. GARLAND: That's right.

MAYOR: We'd already approved.....the zoning had already been..... approved.

MR. GARLAND:You'd already.....approved the types of uses..... that could be.....that's right. I'm sorry. I just wanted to point that out.

MAYOR:No. Appreciate it..... Thank you..... We need the help, Steve! Don't hesitate!

2. **PUBLIC HEARING #2**

Advertised 08-31, 09-07, 09-14, and 09-21

RESOLUTION 06-041

CLOSING PORTION OF DARROW ROAD OWNED BY SCHOOL SYSTEM – AS PER NCGS 160A-299

MR. KING: This is a street closing --- a right-of-way closing, a request from Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools. And just to refresh the memory of the council, this was started when the school system came to us and asked for approval to place a modular unit on the property. And, looking at the site plan, you can see this portion we're talking about tonight, actually contained a building, portion of the gymnasium, and some parking spaces in there, which, obviously, is not allowed within public right-of-way. So as a condition of approval for that, the school system needed to come in and abandon this portion of right-of-way so that's what we're here to talk about tonight. And, again, as most of you are familiar, this is Walkertown Middle School, north of Ruxton Drive right here. And this is a portion of Darrow Road. Again, you can see on the map that right-of-way serves the school system – those are the only property owners affected so we're not land locking anybody here. We're not cutting anybody off with access.....

MAYOR:I guess they're asking us to do legally what was done about 1958.....

MS. MABE:Yes! And should've been done.....
 MR. KING:Basically.....cleaning up everything....
 MS. MABE:Yes..... We're just cleaning up something
 that..... should've been done back in the early.....yes.....get the corner
 of the gym.....
 MR. KING:If you look at the site plan, you can see a
 couple of parking spaces at the corner of the gymnasium.....That's where it
 falls off the site plan. And looking at this, our staff didn't see any negative
 impacts to it and we would recommend APPROVAL of this street closing. I know
 the petitioner is here on behalf of the school system.
 MAYOR:Does anyone have any questions?
 MS. MABE: ...I appreciate him showing that picture because we
 have had some calls wondering why we are closing down a road..
 This is just cleaning up something that should've been done before now.

Public Hearing was opened at 7:28 p.m.

There were no speakers.

Public Hearing was closed at 7:28 p.m.

MOTION: **TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 06-041**
CLOSING PORTION OF DARROW ROAD OWNED BY
SCHOOL SYSTEM – AS PER NCGS 160A-299
BY: BRENDA MABE
SECOND: WAYNE HESTER
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

3. **FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION**
RESOLUTION #06-042
TO DESIGNATE THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
(NIMS) AS THE BASIS FOR ALL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT IN THE
TOWN OF WALKERTOWN

MAYOR: We are the last town in the County to approve this
 resolution. Adoption of the resolution will designate NIMS as the standardized
 system for Walkertown, which will include us with the rest of the county.

MOTION: **TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 06-042**
TO DESIGNATE THE NATIONAL INCIDENT
MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS) AS THE BASIS FOR
ALL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT IN THE TOWN OF
WALKERTOWN
BY: WAYNE HESTER
SECOND: SARAH WELCH
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

4. **FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION**

BUDGET AMENDMENT #1

To Create New Account For Nuisance/Code Enforcement Costs

MAYOR: Looks like Ms. McKinnie is wanting money right here. Who wants to tell us about this?

MR. BELL: This is just setting aside money to cover the clean-ups that the council directed a couple of council meetings ago – just getting a line item in the budget – and money is from the existing budget – it's not increasing the budget – it's just moving it between accounts.

MAYOR: Tell us where this money's coming from. It's not your salary, is it?

MR. BELL: It's coming from Lynn's. It's coming from the Contingency Fund.

MAYOR: The amount recommended is?

MR. BELL: Recommending \$2,000. The liens will apply as we use the funds up and hopefully those will start being reimbursed. This may or may not be enough for this year.

MAYOR: It'll replenish this fund, this line item, as the money is recouped from the cleaned up properties.

MOTION: **TO APPROVE AMENDING THE BUDGET BY SETTING UP LINE ITEM #10-545-0580 FOR USE IN NUISANCE AND CODE ENFORCEMENT COSTS BY MOVING \$2,000 FROM THE CONTINGENCY FUND AS PER THE BUDGET AMENDMENT AS PRESENTED BY TOWN CLERK LYNN**

BY: **SARAH WELCH**

SECOND: **RALPH LANDRETH**

VOTE: **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

MS. MABE: I talked with Lynn and this is going to help her. It just needs to be put in our budget because she has to go looking and now she just has that one little line item to go to. Thank you.

5. **FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION**

REQUEST FROM WALKERTOWN WOLFPACK FOOTBALL FOR MONETARY DONATION

MAYOR: You have a letter in your packet – it's a request for funds from the Walkertown Wolfpack Football. Would you take a look at that and someone want to.....? Any questions concerning this letter in your packet? Any comments from council? Any action from council?

MS. MABE: We gave the Girls Softball League money back in March. How much was that?

LYNN: I put my spreadsheet in your packet that tells how much we have given each sports organization.

MR. BELL: Steve has suggested one option – to refer this to the Recreation Committee, who's been hearing from the Little League as well and let them balance all of them together.

MAYOR: Make a recommendation back on it?

MR. GARLAND: They're coming up with a plan...

MAYOR: Steve suggested that we refer this item to the Recreation Committee and let them have a plan right away on it. How do you all feel about that? You want to take _____?

MS. MABE: Well, Mr. Hester is the Chairman. What does he recommend? It's his ball.

MR. HESTER: You want us to just make a recommendation because the Recreation Committee would have no.....

MAYOR:He was just saying you could refer to them to make a recommendation.....or Yeah, you could make a recommendation. You sure can.

MR. HESTER: We could make a recommendation but the council approves – we would be the one.

MAYOR: That's correct. You can do it either way.

MR. GARLAND: It just occurred to me that you were working towards that sort of plan and so rather than have things come in piecemeal to the council, you could have them funnel through the group that's already trying to figure out that plan. That's just a suggestion. I'm not trying to get in the middle of things.

MS. WELCH: I agree.

MAYOR: We've got a spending plan to develop for both, this one, Little League and the others as well, so we've got..... I don't know if we're prepared to answer tonight. I think you're reading that we're not.

MR. GARLAND: Right. And it just seemed to me – and I'm not saying one way or the other of a recommendation...just if the Recreation Committee has all of those, though, they can say, either these are things that we should fund, shouldn't fund, match funds. They can come up with policy that the council could take and consider it and, like I said, not have to ad hoc deal with each one that comes along.

MAYOR: What do you want to do, Council? Do you want to refer this to the Recreation Committee or do you want to deal with it tonight? What is your pleasure?

MS. MABE: If it goes back into recreation money, that's going to be another session before we come back to the council

MAYOR: That's correct. Do you want to allocate an amount of money tonight towards some of this equipment or do you want to refer it, or do you want to deny it? What do you want to do?

MS. MABE: Well, I'll recommend we give them \$250 like we did --- at this point in time, we can always change later – like we did the Girls' Softball team. That's just a recommendation – I have not made it in the form of a motion. It's the pleasure of the council.

MS. WELCH: Do they have to have the money right away.....

MAYOR:I don't know.....

MS. WELCH:for the equipment? No one's here to speak for it?

MAYOR: It sounds like we're indecisive. Would you want to.....

MS. MABE:Let's just table it

MS. WELCH:I'm just thinking..... We gave them money and didn't get any accounting much for it.....

MAYOR:That's correct....

MS. WELCH: And wound up they didn't spend it for what they said they wanted to.....

MR. GARLAND:On that one I would say that any grants you make like this in Recreation are things that you can do but you do need to also require that they report back. They don't have to audit but they do have to report back that they spent it for what you intended it for. So if you were to give them some funds, I would make sure that we would need to add that provision to it.

MAYOR: I think what Ms. Welch is referring to is an incident where we.....

MR. GARLAND: I understand..... sure.....

MAYOR:Paid for the request one year and then..... We paid for the same request the next year because the money wasn't spent for that. I think that's correct, right? The scoreboard.....

MR. HESTER:Well, we could do it like we did before. We made the one last year that if they did it and got the cart approved --- they wanted a hot dog cart --- if they got it approved, then we would pay for it. If they didn't, we didn't have to come up with the money. So they didn't.....

MAYOR:What you're saying, if they buy equipment, bring the receipt and we'll reimburse you the money....

MR. HESTER:Well, maybe up to a certain amount.....

MAYOR:Well, I meant that!!! Yeah!!!

MR. HESTER:I mean, we're not going to say we're going to give all of it but..... I mean, if you want to put it in on the Recreation Committee, we'll take.....

MAYOR:Well, do you want to allocate --- Brenda says \$250. I don't know if that's enough to do much.....but.....

MS. MABE:Well, we can always go back. That's just.....

MAYOR:We could allocate them up to \$1,000 – if they've got receipts or something like that --- if you want to do that. Ya'll want to do that?

MR. HESTER: I could go with that.

MS. WELCH: Yeah.

MR. HESTER: I would say, up to \$1,000 as long as we get receipts showing that equipment was purchased.....

MAYOR:We do get a good financial statement from the Little League and Softball, but we do not get one from football so we would need that. Ms. McKinnie, we would want to require an active financial statement of the nature that we get from the Little League and ---.

MR. HESTER: The receipt would be from a reputable dealer or someone that sold this equipment to them.

MOTION: **TO APPROVE A MONETARY ALLOCATION OF UP TO \$1,000.00 TO THE WOLFPACK FOOTBALL LEAGUE WITH THE STIPULATION THAT ALL EQUIPMENT BE PURCHASED FROM A REPUTABLE DEALER AND WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT NO PURCHASES WILL BE REIMBURSED WITHOUT A VALID RECEIPT**

BY: WAYNE HESTER
SECOND: SARAH WELCH
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

MAYOR: We will deal with the request from the Walkertown Little League with the Recreation Committee.

6. **FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:**
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

• **AUGUST 2006**

MR. HESTER: We've got the Balance Sheet right in front of you. Anybody got any questions?

MOTION: **TO APPROVE AUGUST FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
BY: **WAYNE HESTER**
SECOND: **SARAH WELCH**
VOTE: **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

REPORTS AND/OR CONTINUANCES AND UPDATES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

1. **UPDATE:** **MANAGER'S REPORT**
CODE ENFORCEMENT

MAYOR: You'll note the code enforcement. Just to bring you up-to-date, Ron and I meet every other week and we review these cases and there's been quite a bit of action on a number of cases. If you'll see the cases being worked on, the cases resolved, the cases that are open – and just so everyone will know, the case up on Old Walkertown Road – the Harrison property – it has been resolved from our end but the county is working to clean up their end because it was a Health Dept. It's been treated as a dump. We did the mowing and the cleaning and you've got a lien to take care of that, right?

MR. BELL: Correct. Yes.

MS. MABE: I have had several calls and I told them to be sure and call the other council members, not just me. I'm glad we got the Harrison place cleaned up. It's taken us a while to get there; it's not completed; we've got a lot more to do. And, Lynn, on a monthly basis, how many code enforcement cases do we get? Ron, how often do we get complaints? On a monthly basis, how many does Town Hall normally receive?

MR. BELL: I was getting ready to tell you. Since May, we've had 61 – that's about 15 a month, 4 or 5 a week. Just an update, the house with the hole in the roof – he has presented a lease to his prospective leaser this week to hear from him next week and as soon as they get the site plan, a couple of weeks, he's going to tear it down. If they do not accept it, he's going to move immediately to tear it down.

MS. MABE: That's the house that's falling in. If you wait long enough, it'll fall in on itself!

MAILING LETTERS TO RESIDENTS IN DOUGHNUT-HOLES

MAYOR: Letters have been mailed --- letters are in the process of being mailed. We'll be finishing those this week?

MR. BELL: When we get the finalized letter, we'll be getting those out.

MAYOR: What we're encouraging people to do – if there's one or two on the street, we're sending letters to the other people on the street that are not in the town.

MS. MABE: I've got a letter here. I read the letter that the manager drafted and, actually, the letter doesn't come from the mayor. It comes from the council. I want the council to look at my letter. The letter that I read from the manager would turn me off. First of all, when we address the citizens of the Town of Walkertown, it's not from one person; in my point of view, it comes from the council. I want the council to look at the letter that I drafted to the citizens of Walkertown. I think we need to let the citizens know that they may be living in Walkertown but they're not incorporated. I think it's very important that we just give them enough encouragement to want to come on board. It's too much information on the other letter. It's unacceptable to me. I think it should come from the council because the council makes the decisions and we are looking into this part of doughnut holes. And this letter as it is addressed to the citizens of Walkertown, I want them to know that they're aware of why we need them on board to help us to make sure that land that they own, we won't have any say-so on. And, second, that people are living on the street that's not in town, one or two houses – I can't say which ones, but some of them have gotten free trash pick-up. You have a nice road to ride on; street lights; and recycling. So, I think it's important that we close this issue. I hope next time to have a map that shows you what we would look like. There's places in town that are not in town and anybody could come in and build something and we'd have no say-so. I know they would work with us but we need to have that! I want the council to look at this one and I hope that you would approve of this letter coming from the full council going to the citizens of Walkertown about coming in to town. And I'd like to extend them a warm welcome to come on board and help support us.

MAYOR: Any word from council?

MR. HESTER: Do we have the other letter?

MR. BELL: That was the letter I gave to Doc. We had discussed it briefly.....

MAYOR:What we had in mind was a letter that pointed out the value of a \$140,000 house – actually, where you could save money on your garbage service and fire service tax by coming in to town as opposed to staying out of the town. That's what we were pointing out.

MR. BELL: The intent was to have Doc respond, give his thoughts and I was going to present that to council. That was a rough draft. Ms. Mabe asked for a copy; I gave her a copy as well as each of you.

MS. WELCH: I think the mayor's name sounds better than mine. It's more impressive.

MAYOR: It doesn't make a difference whose name is on it as far as I'm concerned.

MS. MABE: I think it should come from the council – all of us.

MAYOR: Brenda, it can come from you if you'd like! It don't matter whose name it comes from. We want to get a concise letter to go out to the people, to invite them in.

MR. HESTER: That's it. Why don't we let you, and since Brenda wrote a letter and the manager get together, and come up and maybe consolidate the letters or work it out to what would be the best wording for the letter and then pass it out.

MAYOR: Is the council in favor of that? We'll just get together, is your suggestion, Wayne, everybody who's interested in getting their input into the letter that goes out to the people?

MS. MABE: I think it should come from all of us as the council.

MAYOR: If it is this strong, how do ya'll want to handle that part of it, council?

MR. HESTER: You could sign it "Mayor and Town Council".

MS. MABE: Well, if you say the "Council", it means everybody, the mayor as well. That way nobody has to sign it – it just comes from us.

MR. HESTER: Yeah. From the Town Council. It wouldn't be an individual either way you look at it. It would be the Town Council.....

MR. LANDRETH:I'd go along with that.....

MR. HESTER;;That's what would make I made the motion, or I made the suggestion that you, Brenda and Ron take a look at it, come up with the right wording on it, and then bring it back to us and go from there.....

MS. WELCH:Agreed.....

BY CONSENSUS OF COUNCIL, AN ANNEXATION LETTER WILL BE PREPARED BY MAYOR, MANAGER, BRENDA AND WHOEVER OF THE COUNCIL WISHES TO PARTICIPATE. THIS LETTER WILL THEN BE PRESENTED BACK TO THE FULL COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL BEFORE SENDING OUT.

PURCHASE OF GANT LOTS

MAYOR: Okay. The next item on the manager's update is the purchase of lot next door. Steve, you got any comments for us on that?

MR. GARLAND: Yeah. I was going to say if I could speak to this real quick..... I think, as you all remember, the day after your next scheduled meeting in October is when the decision needs to be made on that lot, with respect to the Gant property. I would like to suggest the possibility of ya'll having a meeting the week before your next meeting, at which this is the only item to consider and in anticipation of that meeting, I think we have in the materials where it's been provided to ya'll, an email from a lawyer in our firm about the risks associated with environmental issues. I'll be able to have at that meeting, the list of items, or the list of uses of the property which would be restricted because of the issues that the property has. And I think that it would be appropriate to see whether or not, just because of the potential of liability down the road, whether or not there might be the possibility of getting some sort of insurance that might cover that. And then what we could do is probably spend a relatively, I hope, economic and efficient hour or so to kick that around in a Closed Session about the acquisition of property so that then on the following

Thursday, we could deal with that issue and decide one way or the other before the Friday deadline. If that's acceptable to ya'll.....

MR. LANDRETH: Right now, we don't know what our liability is, is that what you're telling us?

MR. GARLAND: Frankly, the problem's going to be that no one will ever..... know what.....the liability is.....until the state.....

MR. LANDRETH:We're taking a certain amount of chance now.....and we will then, too.....

MR. GARLAND:That's right..... Until the state decides that it's popped up to a matter that they'll be involved in again, no one really knows. Now, again, the folks who own it now are willing to indemnify us with respect to that. Of course, that doesn't ---- that's all well and good, but I can't tell you that that means you've got a --- I told the mayor, I mean, I remember back when they used to have "guard off shields" when your toothpaste, I forget what toothpaste that was..... But, there's no way I can tell you that any sort of form of document like that can provide you that sort of "guard off shield". That's why it would be good, I think, to pursue the possibility of seeing whether there's insurance available. But, again, I think we can have all these things together at that meeting; but it didn't seem to me that we should pile it all up on the regularly scheduled meeting and that perhaps if we could have a meeting that would last for maybe an hour the week before. I think I put down the 19th, which would be the Thursday before. I don't know what you all's calendars are like.

DISCUSSION ENSUED AS TO A CONVENIENT MEETING DATE FOR EVERYONE CONCERNED. THE COUNCIL, MAYOR, MANAGER, CLERK, ATTORNEY ALL AGREED TO A SPECIAL CALLED COUNCIL MEETING AT 5:00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2006, TO BE HELD IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY.

MR. GARLAND: Again, I hope that would be about an hour or so – I'm not trying to cut it short if the discussion lasts longer, obviously that's.....

MAYOR: At that meeting, you will bring the limitations to the property as they stand, right?

MR. GARLAND: Absolutely.

MAYOR: Okay --- I'll check on that availability of insurance, Steve.

ANNEXATION AGREEMENT WITH KERNERSVILLE

MAYOR: Okay. We're still working on a meeting date for the Annexation with Kernersville.

STREETS

MAYOR: Anything to report on the STREETS?

MR. BELL: Just the, I talked with, got an email from Curtis Swisher today and they've not been able to work out a time with.....

MS. MABE:Excuse me. Speak a little louder. We can't hear.....

MR. BELL:Roger since he just got back.....

MS. MABE:Speak into the microphone.....I can't hear!!

MR. BELL:Just talked to Curtis Swisher this afternoon, or got an email, and he said they had not been able to schedule and he would let us know Monday. Roger just got back into the country from Kiev.

MAYOR: Okay. And on the streets, anything we need to know about that.....?

MR. BELL:Nothing new.....on that.....

MR. LANDRETH: Has any contracts been let, or bids taken on streets?

MR. BELL: No. We're not going to do any paving until the Spring.

MR. LANDRETH: Well, Leight Street is on that, then?

MS. MABE: Yes. Because we came and gave you a list, Ralph and I did.

MR. BELL: Yeah. But we're not planning to pave until the Spring. If you pave in the Fall and then have the freeze thaw on raw concrete, I mean, on raw pavement, it doesn't last as long.

MS. MABE: Well, I haven't seen anything on that, have you, Ralph?

MR. BELL: I haven't.....

MS. MABE:We came in July. We had given you.....

MR. BELL:I've got that list.....yes.....

MS. MABE:You have got it scheduled.....?

MR. BELL:I've got the list..... We haven't scheduled it yet. It'll be scheduled in the Spring.....

MS. MABE:Why has it taken so long to get it scheduled?We don't schedule.....

MS. MABE:We haven't put any bids out.....?

MS. BELL:It's too early to put out bids..... They won't take, they won't give you a bid that is good for the Spring.....

MAYOR:Well, unless it's changed, we don't put that bid out.....

MS. MABE:We don't put???

MAYOR:The State bids it and we come under the State contract. Isn't that the way it still works?

MS. MABE: ..No!...

MR. BELL:We can have them do it or

MS. MABE:Yes.....Yes.....

MR. BELL:Or we can get a private contractor and bid it out.....

MS. MABE:Yeah. The lowest bid we take.....

MR. BELL:But they won't ---- you won't get a bid this far in advance. We'll have a package I plan to present to the council for their approval and then we'll get a bid on the package in the Spring when we pave...

MAYOR:But if we go in on the State contract, it's usually, the going bid, is what..... we've done in the past, isn't that correct? Well, you don't know.Isn't that correct, Ms. McKinnie? Isn't that correct that in the past,we've used the State bid contracts.

MS. MABE:It's at the lowest bid....

MR. BELL:But.....

LYNN:I'm sorry – there are several talking. Now what did you say, Doc?

MAYOR: I said, that in the past, have.... we not used the State bid?

LYNN: We have used the State but we..... have also used Eddie's Patching and Paving,for small jobs.

MAYOR: For small jobs, yes. But for..... the larger street paving jobs, we've used the State?

LYNN: For the larger street pavings,we try and use the State..... because they usually give us..... a much better price.

MS. MABE:But most of the time, the State is the lowest bid anyway.....

MAYOR:That's because they bid thousands of tons every year, so they are usually the low bid.....

MS. MABE:Because we've always in the past.....we've always had to have bids on street paving. Is that not correct? Or can we just choose who we want to pave the streets?

MAYOR:Well, if you go with a state approved contractor, they're going to be on the statethey've got so many that agree to do by the state rate.

MS. MABE:Pave the streets.....Okay.....Okay.....

2. CONTINUED: TOWN HALL BUILDING IMPROVEMENT
(Architect information?)

MAYOR: Okay, that covers the report. Let's see if there are any announcements here. Are there any other announcements or any items that need to claim our attention before we have the final public session?

MS. MABE: Wait. We didn't go over or talk about town hall improvements.

MAYOR: Did you want to go over

MS. MABE: Yes!

MAYOR:one of these again? We can.....

MS. MABE:Yes!.....

MAYOR: Okay.

MS. MABE: And we need to have --- I recommend that we do get bids on working on town hall. There are some problems we have in town hall and I have been pushing to get our town hall made for us to use as a meeting facility. So I think we need to have builders, or whatever. Ralph, didn't you suggest somebody come out and look and give us an estimate? I mean, they can come out and look and we can tell them what we sort of want and they can tell us what it would be projected to cost. We don't have to interview them. But we need to start moving on this because I feel like this is something we need to have accomplished.

MS. WELCH: Well, isn't that coming under Ron's duties, town hall building management improvement?

MS. MABE: Well, yeah, it's supposed to be. And I suggested that we get some -- that he contact some people.....

MR. BELL:At the last meeting, we were waiting for the council to give direction on what improvements they wanted. If we know what

they want to do, we can get a contractor in and get some estimates or get some ideas.

MS. MABE:Well, we'll be glad to come and sit in. I'll be glad to work. Ralph, would you help me make a list of things at town hall that we think needs to be done?

MR. BELL:Well, I have a list of improvements. It depends on whether you're talking about an addition or whether you're talking about improvements just to get the building up to a good functional state; or.....?

MS. MABE:This is going to be an addition. We are going to have a meeting hall! And that's something that I want to see implemented. I also want the town hall --- got to have some improvement because we can look at the building now. It needs to be taken care of. We've got some problems in there. And I think we need to have contractors come out and inform them that we want to take the center section and make that our meeting hall. We'll have to have a new roof put on and what will it entail to get a meeting room set up for facilities to use for town council meeting --- or anybody else can use. Facilities for using equipment like this that we don't have to set up every time we have a meeting. So I think it is time...

MR. LANDRETH:In other words, we need to compile a "Wish List", I guess.

MS. MABE:Yeah! A "Wish List" – what the council expects the town hall to be.

MAYOR: Okay. What's the council's feeling on this? What do you want to do?

MS. WELCH: It sounds like we need a workshop on it, if that's what you want to do.

MAYOR: Any other???

MS. MABE: Why don't we all just go up to town hall and look and put down a list of what we think should be done and just compile a list, like we did on the annexation?

MAYOR: Each member make a list. Is that agreeable with everyone? Wayne? Ms. Welch?

MS. WELCH: If I have to.

MAYOR: No. I say you agreed.

MS. MABE: No, you don't have to.

MAYOR: You don't have to do anything.

MS. WELCH; Well, I still thought that was Ron's.....

MR. LANDRETH:That's a good idea.

BY CONSENSUS OF THE COUNCIL IT WAS AGREED THAT EACH COUNCILMEMBER WOULD START A "WISH LIST" OF WHAT HE/SHE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE TOWN HALL INCLUDE OR BE IMPROVED.

3. CONTINUED: "OLD-OLD" SHOPPING CENTER

MS. MABE: Ms. Welch asked me last time to make a letter, and I've written a letter for ya'll to look at.....

MS. WELCH:Oh, have you been talking to Mr.....?

MS. MABE:You remember you saying, '*Brenda, you write a letter*'.....? So, I wrote a letter.

MS. WELCH:Lynn didn't write the letter for you?

MS. MABE: No! Lynn didn't write the letter!!! I wrote this letter. Lynn typed it for me because ours doesn't work, so I had her print it out.

MAYOR: What kind of complaints have we got on record on those buildings?

MR. BELL; The only official complaint is Ms. Mabe and then the Health Department pointed out some issues in the back of the building and I informed them that Ms. Mabe was working with the landlord on it so they're waiting on that.

MS. MABE: Well, I've had people also that come out of the shopping center and when you come out of the shopping center, there is no turning lanes there.....

MS. WELCH:I make a turning lane there.....

MS. MABE:so a lot of people would like to have that implemented.

MAYOR:Have what implemented? I'm sorry, I didn't.....

MS. MABE:Okay. When you come out of the shopping center down there, when you come up to exit out on Old Hollow Road.....

MS. WELCH:No lane markings.....

MS. MABE:There is no left lane or right lane, people just sit in the middle and you have to guess whether they're going to the left or they're going on to the right. So you don't know which way they're going to turn. So a lot of people requested why he has not made turning lanes there. Now if you don't go down there, that's fine. But I know people who would like to know a little something.

MS. WELCH: How much of the tenants down there have complained? Have the tenants there complained to you?

MS. MABE: Well, yeah. They're still back there.

MAYOR: What's the council's pleasure on this letter?

MR. GARLAND: I have one suggestion. The comment about the building code - I think just saying it's an eyesore is probably going to be satisfactory. I'd rather not, if we haven't investigated it, make a statement like that.....

MS. MABE:Well, that's fine.....But.....

MR. GARLAND:I mean, I understand why you did it.....I haven't had.....

MS. MABE:I'm saying.....what the citizens are saying.....

MR. GARLAND: I know.....and I understand.....and all I'm saying, though, is this is coming out under the name of the Walkertown Council and I'm just reluctant to.....

MS. MABE:We can say It's inappropriate.....

MR. GARLAND:Hmmm??No..... I'm just saying put a period after "eyesore". I think that makes the point and it doesn't put us out on any sort of limb, you know.

MS. MABE:What do you think about the letter, Steve? It comes to the point? I mean, I'm not harsh - it's not really critical. It says we want

to work with them. We've got a lot of complaints of other places in town that we're trying to work with the owners and business people to improve their site.
MR. GARLAND: It sort of gets the point across. The only thing that I might change a little bit is, "*The town council of Walkertown desires to work with you to improve the facilities' appearance and usage.*" almost makes it sound like you would do something to help them.....

MS. WELCH:That's right.....

MR. GARLAND:and I'm not sure you want to do anything to help them other than sort of beat 'em up a little bit to make sure they know that you're concerned about it. So, I might say there, "*The town council of Walkertown desires to see some action to improve the.....*"anyway.....

MS. MABE:That's fine..... But this is just a rough draft..... Yeah.....

MR. GARLAND:I'm just saying Aside from those two points I mean, if it's what the council wants to do, it certainly would indicate the sense that the council has to the properties. But, again, it might be.....

MAYOR:So, you're saying probably be best to not allude to possible money.....

MS. WELCH:Yeah.

MR. GARLAND:Yes. Yes.....

MR. LANDRETH:But you said we'd cooperate with them.....

MS. MABE:Well, we could put "*cooperate with them*".

MR. LANDRETH:Give them some advice.....

MR. GARLAND:That's one way to read, you know, that provision.....

MAYOR:So just strike that part.....

MR. GARLAND:Yes.....

MS. MABE:And, again, I noticed it comes from the full council.

MAYOR: All right, council, do ya'll want this letter sent?

MS. MABE: With the change in wording, that's fine with me.

MAYOR: So we'll be changing paragraph one and paragraph three.

MS. MABE: Okay. No problem.

MAYOR: Do ya'll want this letter sent?

MR. HESTER: That'll be fine.

MR. LANDRETH: It can't hurt anything.

MS. MABE: Well, we need to start doing something!

MR. HESTER: Let's send it!

BY CONSENSUS OF COUNCIL, IT WAS APPROVED THAT MS. MABE SEND OUT THE LETTER WITH CHANGES TO INCLUDE A PERIOD AFTER EYESORE AND DELETE "*WHERE THE COUNCIL DESIRES TO WORK WITH YOU*" PORTION.

MS. WELCH: Right. That sounds like we might give them money and I don't want that.

MS. MABE: We need to do something.

4. UPDATE: WALKERTOWN AREA LAND USE PLAN

From County Commissioners' meeting of September 11, 2006

There was no update on the Land Use Plan - - -

5. T.A.C. MEETING --- BRENDA MABE

MS. MABE: Well, I wanted to report on the T.A.C. meeting I went to in September. In July, I went and all towns and the county had received a grant for intersection improvements that we could apply for. It doesn't mean we are going to get them, but we have to apply for them. So, the Mayor couldn't attend the September meeting, and I attended, and I've enjoyed it, and I've discovered when they got up and spoke, I noticed that Walkertown was not on the list. Walkertown had not submitted any intersections for the grant. And the deadline was past. So I came back and talked to Mr. Bell and he said that he had been waiting for me to come in and apply. And I said, "Well, I've been in town hall many times and I was waiting to get something." But I talked to Gregg with the T.A.C. and he informed me that if we submitted before Monday, he would put us on the list. I requested Mr. Bell to get immediately on that – and we faxed it in to Winston. What they do is they come out and look at what we have requested – doesn't mean that we get that – but it means that at least we have asked for it and it's a possibility. And the intersections that I submitted were:

- 311 and 66 --- right turn lanes and center lanes on 66 and 311
- Darrow Road at 158 --- a center lane and a right turn lane
- Old Hollow Road at Darrow Road --- on Darrow Road where the school is, we need two lanes there instead of the one lane because there's so much congestion coming in/out of that school.
- 66 and Main Street --- Signal light for a left turn lane – we've got the lane there but we don't have a light there – so you know when you sit on Old Hollow Road in front of Mickey's, everybody knows where that's at, you take your life in your hand to turn on Main Street. And the school bus is there in the morning so I've talked to the schools. If we get a light there, it will serve both schools. In other words, the elementary school and the middle school can turn down there to go down Ruxton Drive and it will help.
- Old Hollow Road and 158 --- I've asked for a right lane on Old Hollow Road (66) so you can turn on to 158.

Now whether we get any or not, it's their decision, but at least Walkertown has asked for it. And these are grants, I talked with them, and I talked with him about the Beltway and it is bogged down in our area. They've got some problems there and he said they were working on it. So I did want to report to you on that before the next meeting. But we did get the grant request in.

MR. HESTER: It has been entered, right?

MR. BELL: Yes. Ms. Mabe came in Friday and told me which intersections and we got it to the Department by noon, to be followed by cost estimates by noon on Monday.

6. TOWN HALL OPEN

MR. LANDRETH: Mr. Mayor, I'd like to make a motion..... If this is an appropriate time.....

MAYOR:Well, we've got one more item --- the Public Session ---- want to do it before the Public Session?

MS. MABE: Yes.

MR. HESTER: No.

MR. LANDRETH: I'd like to make a motion that we keep the town office open during the lunch hour and we would do this by staggering the staff's lunch hour with the manager's lunch hour such that someone would be there all during the lunch hour – full day. Someone wanting to come in at lunch time would have someone to talk to. To accomplish this, it would be staggered lunch hours.

MS. MABE: So, in other words, the staff would go at one time and the manager would go another time? Okay. All right.

MOTION: **TO KEEP TOWN HALL OPEN CONTINUOUSLY DURING THE WORK DAY AND FOR THE STAFF TO STAGGER THEIR LUNCH HOURS TO ACCOMPLISH THIS**

BY: **RALPH LANDRETH**

SECOND: **BRENDA MABE**

VOTE: **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

MS. MABE: They can work it out who goes when. Ya'll can decide who goes first or second.

ATTACHMENTS:

PLANNING BOARD MINUTES

From Meeting of September 12, 2006

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

>>Minutes from September 13, 2006

>>Update from Press Conference of September 19, 2006 (Mayor)

RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

From Committee Meeting of September 14, 2006

PUBLIC SESSION

THIS SESSION IS FOR ANY TOPIC AND IS LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER
WHEN SPEAKING TO ANY ITEM, PLEASE RESTRICT YOUR REMARKS TO THE SUBJECT AT HAND

Public Session was opened at 8:20 p.m.

1. Al Slater
764 Conestoga Trail
Winston-Salem NC

I would like to address the problems or the recommendations that you have made to improve the intersections in Walkertown to include the Walkertown-Guthrie Road at West Mountain Street. It's probably one of the busiest intersections we have in Walkertown, particularly, in the morning when people are going to work and when the school buses and people are going to school. We have traffic back all the way down the hill there almost every morning. Also, on the weekend, particularly at church time, that is a very busy intersection, too. I know that – or I have heard – that the state is going to install another stoplight at Hopkins Road, Hastings Hill Road and West Mountain Street. But that will not help Walkertown-Guthrie Road because all that traffic in the morning is making a left turn to go to East High School. So I would encourage the council to make a recommendation to the state to make improvements to that intersection and I think that the townspeople would really appreciate this being done. Thank you.

2. Michael Lowe
6900 Terrence Knoll
Belews Creek NC

I am a father of three boys that are going to be coming, well, two definitely, through the Little League and that would definitely benefit from the recommendations that's been made to the Board. We have a great group of volunteers over at the Little League right now. We have some great ideas; we have some people with some great motivation and with the help of the money that's been designated by Mr. Waggoner for recreation, I feel that we can do a great service to the young kids of this community. We can do great service to other people in the surrounding area that have kids that play ball at this Little League. We've got some great ideas. We've got some great movement forward. We've got some great volunteers and we just hope that the Board will seriously consider our recommendation.

Public Session was closed at 8:23 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Recycling in Walkertown continues every two weeks.
OCTOBER 2, 16, AND 30
- TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS: (4TH THURSDAYS)
7:00 p.m. at the Walkertown Library Auditorium on:
FOURTH THURSDAY
@ 7:00 P.M.
OCTOBER 26
NOVEMBER 16 – CHANGED THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY
DECEMBER 21– CHANGED CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
- PLANNING BOARD MEETINGS: (1ST TUESDAY)
LIBRARY @ 3:00 P.M.
October 3rd
November 7th MEETING TO BE HELD AT TOWN HALL
December 5th

- RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETINGS: (AS DESIGNATED)
TOWN HALL @ 6:30 P.M.
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2006 @ 6:30 P.M. @ TOWN HALL

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: **TO ADJOURN MEETING AT 8:25 P.M.**
BY: **WAYNE HESTER**
SECOND: **SARAH WELCH**
VOTE: **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

ATTEST:

TOWN OF WALKERTOWN:

Lynn McKinnie
Town Clerk

Kenneth R. Davis
Mayor