



Town of Walkertown, North Carolina

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Walkertown Town Council Meeting

Walkertown Library Auditorium

THURSDAY 7:00 P.M. JUNE 26, 2008

MINUTES

PROTOCOL:

Mayor Pro Tem Wayne Hester called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mr. Hester, Randy Mendenhall and Sarah Welch. Mayor Doc Davis was out of town due to business and council member Marilyn Martin was out of town due to vacation. Also present were Clerk McKinnie and Manager Snow. Mr. Mendenhall said a brief invocation. Ms. Welch led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED
BY: RANDY MENDENHALL
SECOND: SARAH WELCH
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
(MENDENHALL, WELCH, AND HESTER)

MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF

- MAY 22, 2008 – REGULAR MINUTES
- MAY 22, 2008 – CLOSED SESSION MINUTES
- JUNE 19, 2008 – SPECIAL CALLED WORKSHOP MINUTES

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED
BY: RANDY MENDENHALL
SECOND: SARAH WELCH
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
(MENDENHALL, WELCH, AND HESTER)

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 7:05 P.M.

No speakers were signed up but Reverend Chip Webb of Love's United Methodist Church asked to speak:

"If it looks like my shirt was pulled out of a box, and not ironed – it was! If it looks like my pants were not ironed today – they weren't! I don't know where my iron is. My socks don't match any of my other clothes, and I don't have a belt on because I can't find it! On Tuesday, I moved from Walkertown to Pfafftown and I, last month, simply wanted the opportunity to be on record – to come before this organization, this group, this town – to say "thank you!" to you. Seven years ago I moved to Walkertown under appointment in the United Methodist Church as

pastor of historic Love's Church and as Doc Davis said just the other day when I got here – I was not one of you! But after seven years, surely now I feel like I'm one of you. And I wanted to just thank you for this wonderful community and all the graciousness that you have extended to me. I am so grateful for Walkertown for the historic nature of this community. And there are two important words there ---- historic and a sense of community ---. And from the moment I got here, I felt that sense of community, and I know that ya'll do, too, and for that, we're so very grateful. I've had the opportunity extended to me to pray in various places. I've prayed at the opening of Wendy's.....the grand opening of Food Lion.....the one-year anniversary of Food Lion.....I got to pray at the Walkertown Little League opening and closing ---- and opening and closing of the girls – Walkertown Girls Softball Association. I've prayed at these town council meetings. I've prayed for you. I've been able to hold bibles for various folk who were elected to office. I'm just so grateful for Walkertown – the wonderful citizens of this community. And, my! What unique and wonderful citizens have been here through the years. Some were long-gone by the time that I got here but I have felt their influence and been proud of who they were and the wonderful contribution that they made to this town and to Forsyth County, the state of North Carolina, and – I believe – to the world! I want to thank the town council members for being who you are. Some town council members through the years, I've voted for. Some I haven't. But I have admired every one of you and respected you and always appreciated people who were willing to place themselves in service to their community and be vulnerable. I believe that it would be far easier to run for national office, or state office, than it is in their own community. I'm so proud of you and grateful for your service and thank you for what you've done – the wonderful decisions that you've made. I'd like to thank Lynn for the opportunities that she's given me and that the town's given me, and just say – finally – that I'm very, very proud – even though now I'm a citizen of Pfafftown – to know, that at least for a while – for seven years – I was one of you! And I thank you. If God gives me the power to bless anybody, I'd want to bless the citizens of Walkertown and thank you for the wonderful things that you've done for my family, and for all the other citizens of this town. Thank you and God Bless you!"

MR. HESTER: Chip, before you leave, we'd like to say "thank you" and I don't think we ever felt like you weren't a part of Walkertown, even when you did move here – whatever the mayor says.

MR. WEBB:Can I say one more thing???

MR. HESTER: Yes, sir!

MR. WEBB: You didn't have to say anything or I would've been gone by now – already in my car. I attended the University of North Carolina. It's a wonderful and venerable institution of higher education. I attended Duke University – you know that there's some smart people down there! They should have never have let me in! But, I'll tell you this – I've learned as much, I believe, at Hardee's and Mickey's and Webster Brothers Hardware, as I ever learned down there!!!! {MUCH LAUGHTER!!} I learned how to plant tomatoes here, in Walkertown. They don't plant them like that anyplace else – just that way – and when I get to Pfafftown, I'm going to be arguing with them about how to bed down a tomato!!!! Thank you.....

MR. HESTER: Well, again, we want to thank you for everything you've done for Walkertown and for just being a citizen of Walkertown for that time. We'll miss you!!

PUBLIC SESSION WAS CLOSED AT 7:10 P.M.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:

1. **PUBLIC HEARING #1**
BUDGET DISCUSSION HEARING
ORDINANCE #08-_____
TO PROVIDE FOR 2008-2009 REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES

PUBLIC HEARING WAS OPENED AT 7:11 P.M.

DISCUSSION:

No one spoke for or against.

PUBLIC HEARING WAS CLOSED AT 7:12 P.M.

MR. HESTER: Does the council have any discussion on this? I know this has been discussed several times. We've gone over it, over it and over it. And Lynn has done a wonderful job on it.

MS. WELCH: And I didn't see any typos!!

LYNN: Whew!!!

MR. HESTER: And if she didn't see any typos .. If you have no discussion on it, do I hear a motion?

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE BUDGET AND BUDGET ORDINANCE AS PRESENTED BY THE TOWN CLERK

BY: SARAH WELCH

SECOND: RANDY MENDENHALL

VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

(MENDENHALL, WELCH, AND HESTER)

MR. HESTER: Okay. The budget for 2008-2009 is now part of the record. We'll move on to the Public Hearing #2. Would it be possible to put these two together or do we do them one at a time?

LYNN: Separately, please.

2. **PUBLIC HEARING #2**
ANNEXATION ISSUES:
(A) **ORDINANCE:**
08-____ TO EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF
WALKERTOWN TO INCLUDE: 920 WALKERTOWN-GUTHRIE ROAD

DISCUSSION:

PUBLIC HEARING WAS OPENED AT 7:13 P.M.

There were no speakers for or against this issue.

PUBLIC HEARING WAS CLOSED AT 7:13 P.M.

MR. HESTER: Okay. No discussion from the floor. Any comments from the council as far as accepting this or not accepting this?

MS. WELCH: Well, since they started this, I've noticed they've cleaned up around this house a lot.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF WALKERTOWN TO INCLUDE 920 WALKERTOWN-GUTHRIE ROAD
BY: RANDY MENDENHALL
SECOND: SARAH WELCH
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
(MENDENHALL, WELCH, AND HESTER)

3. **PUBLIC HEARING #3**

ANNEXATION ISSUES:

(A) **ORDINANCE:**
08-___ TO EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF WALKERTOWN TO INCLUDE: 5004 OLD BELEWS CREEK ROAD

DISCUSSION:
PUBLIC HEARING WAS OPENED AT 7:14 P.M.
There were no speakers for or against this issue.
PUBLIC HEARING WAS CLOSED AT 7:14 P.M.

MR. HESTER: Any one on the council have any discussion on this?

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF WALKERTOWN TO INCLUDE 5004 OLD BELEWS CREEK ROAD
BY: RANDY MENDENHALL
SECOND: WAYNE HESTER
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
(MENDENHALL, WELCH, AND HESTER)

4. **FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:**
WALKERTOWN LITTLE LEAGUE Todd Pickard

DISCUSSION:
Mr. Pickard was unable to attend the meeting due to a business emergency.

MOTION: MOTION OF NO CONSIDERATION
BY: RANDY MENDENHALL
SECOND: SARAH WELCH
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
(MENDENHALL, WELCH, AND HESTER)

This issue will be brought forward to the **July 24th, 2008**, council meeting.

5. **FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:**
HIGH KNOLL SUBDIVISION – REQUEST FOR ROADS TO BE TAKEN
OVER BY TOWN OF WALKERTOWN

DISCUSSION:

Due to the mayor and one council member being out of town, the council deemed it necessary to push this to the next meeting for a full council to decide.

MOTION: **MOTION OF NO CONSIDERATION**
BY: **RANDY MENDENHALL**
SECOND: **SARAH WELCH**
VOTE: **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
(MENDENHALL, WELCH, AND HESTER)

This issue will be brought forward to the **July 24th, 2008**, council meeting.

6. **FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:**
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR MAY, 2008

DISCUSSION:

MOTION: **TO APPROVE THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR MAY, 2008, AS PRESENTED BY THE TOWN CLERK**
BY: **RANDY MENDENHALL**
SECOND: **SARAH WELCH**
VOTE: **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
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PUBLIC SESSION

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PUBLIC SESSION WAS OPENED AND CLOSED AT 7:17 P.M. WITH NO SPEAKERS.

OTHER INFORMATION ATTACHED

1. WASTE MANAGEMENT LETTER – Annual CPI Adjustment ---
Increases recycling rate from \$2.20 to \$2.92 effective July 1, 2008
2. Kernersville News Article on Sheriff's Office in Walkertown

MR. HESTER: And, everyone here, tell everyone else – July 4th – we have the big celebration!! Free hot dogs!!! Cake!!! Entertainment!!! We're hoping to have a great time. A lot of work has gone into it already and there's a lot of work to be done so we hope everyone will come **July 4th** and enjoy some of the most delicious *hot dogs* that you will ever get!! They're made by the town council --- *not the hot dog itself!!!* We put them together – but we buy the hot dogs!! So bring your **lawn chair** – enjoy the food, music and fellowship. We hope we'll see all of you there and you can tell your friends and neighbors. We look forward to a big crowd at this! Oh! And it's at the new land that we bought

up at the town hall. And we're getting set up. We hope everything will be in good shape and we will be waiting for you to come and we'll feed you!!

MR. WHITAKER (from the audience) What's the time frame on this?

MR. HESTER: **4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.** And we do have professional entertainment ---- music galore!!! And we'll be looking for you!!!

MR. MENDENHALL: Remind them of the maps/plans we have for the park.

MR. HESTER: Oh. And the maps for the park and some of the preliminary drawings are over here. Be glad for you to look at those – and one day we hope it'll be a park there that everybody will be proud of – and we're proud to be a part of it and have it started!! And I have nothing else. If there's no other business from the other members of the council.....?

MS. WELCH:You might mention that if anybody thinks of anything that they might like to go into the park, let us know. This is just a preliminary right now.

MR. HESTER: Oh. But one other thing. Scott has never been officially introduced. Scott, if you will stand up. Scott Snow is our new town manager and we're glad to welcome him aboard. He's already been in the office and getting busy and getting his feet wet. And I think we're going to have a good rapport with Scott and he seems to work in well. We hope everything is going to go fine. Do you have anything you'd like to say, Scott?

MR. SNOW: Uh. I'd like to say I appreciate the opportunity to be here. There's a bright future for the community and I'm glad to be here. Look forward to working with the council.

**DON'T FORGET THE JULY 4TH
CELEBRATION !! COME EAT A HOT
DOG!! BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIR
AND
ENJOY THE FOOD AND FRIVOLITY !!**



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **RECYCLING FOR JULY:**
A ROUTE - 14TH AND 28TH
B ROUTE - 7TH AND 21ST
- **TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS:** (4TH THURSDAYS)
7:00 p.m. at the Walkertown Library Auditorium on:
FOURTH THURSDAY @ 7:00 P.M.

JULY	24	AUGUST	28
SEPTEMBER	25	OCTOBER	23
NOVEMBER	20 – CHANGED DUE TO THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY		
DECEMBER	18 – CHANGED DUE TO CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY		
- **PLANNING BOARD MEETINGS:**Library 3:00 1st Tuesday

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: TO ADJOURN MEETING AT 7:20 P.M.
BY: RANDY MENDENHALL
SECOND: SARAH WELCH
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
(MENDENHALL, WELCH, AND HESTER)

ATTEST:

TOWN OF WALKERTOWN:

Lynn McKinnie
Town Clerk

Wayne Hester
Mayor Pro Tem