



Town of Walkertown, North Carolina

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Walkertown Town Council Meeting

Walkertown Library Auditorium

THURSDAY

7:00 P.M.

MARCH 24, 2005

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Doc Davis

- INVOCATION by Mayor Davis
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE by Councilman Horace Warner
- All elected officials and staff were present at the meeting.

AGENDA APPROVAL

MOTION: **TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE ADDITION OF ONE ITEM – DISCUSS FULP WELL PROPERTY**

BY: **HORACE WARNER**

SECOND: **SARAH WELCH**

VOTE: **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

MINUTES APPROVAL

- February 24, 2005 -- Town Council Regular Meeting
- March 15, 2005 – Budget / General Topics Workshop Meeting

MOTION: **TO APPROVE BOTH SETS OF MINUTES**

BY: **DOT DUGGINS**

SECOND: **WALLACE LARRIMORE**

VOTE: **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

PUBLIC SESSION

Please limit your talk to 3 minutes.

Public Session was opened at 7:05 p.m.

1) Dorez Thomas

League Commissioner

Walkertown Wolfpack Little League Football Team

"I'm here on behalf of the football team to let you all know what we did with the donation that was given to us back last fall and also give you an update on the new events that we have coming up for this year. Last year we were given a donation by the City of Walkertown for \$1,000 for a new scoreboard. The scoreboard that we were trying to purchase at that time was \$3,150. At the time that we came, we had all the money except for the \$1,000, which Walkertown was good enough to give to us. However, we wasn't able to get the scoreboard and I brought some stuff to show the Board on why we didn't. The scoreboard that was came out and measured for us was the wrong size and that scoreboard, again, was \$3,150. The scoreboard was delivered to us and when they came out to put it up, that's when we figured out that it was the wrong size. The one that we actually needed, the price was about \$2,000 difference. But one price was \$3150 and the other price was \$4,650. And I took the liberty of this year going back to find out the price difference. They had went up to \$3,502 for the smaller one and \$5,152 for the one that we actually need. What we done with the donation is that, as I told you all in the meeting that I came to before, we either could put a new "heart" – which they call a "heart", to keep the scoreboard running – which will cost us about \$2,500, which it was more feasible to buy a new one. We ended up getting a "heart" but we wasn't able to get the new "heart" so we ended up buying a used one. The used one cost us \$760

and it was \$350 for labor. However, that one went out on October 2nd so we're still in the process now of getting a scoreboard. We've asked Sheetz for donations in order to get one and Keller-Williams is also in the process of trying to help us get one. The other thing that we had problems with this year, during the games, was parking. What we are trying to do this year to eliminate parking – I had worked with Mr. Warner on the parking – but what we're trying to do this year is get signs to put out there – “Do Not Parking” signs to maybe block the street off – I think it's Ruxton Road – we're trying to get signs this year to put out there and what we're trying to do is limit the parking to the elementary school and the middle school. The other thing that I wanted to touch on is that we appreciate the support that Walkertown gave us last year, with the money, but this year we're not looking for any donation – well, we're not looking for any money from the city. Basically, what we need is support. We're doing several things in the community now to try to better ourselves and get us in a financial situation that we need to be in. So far this year, we've raised \$10,000 for the kids so that we can buy new uniforms and we've also working on a concession stand. I had a newsletter that I want to pass out to let some of the people see what we were trying to do. And I do have a few left over that I will pass out once I get through up here. The biggest thing now, my concern is, we're not – Walkertown, as a community, is not represented in the cheerleader competition which is held at the Lawrence Joel Memorial Coliseum on the third weekend of October. Every community is represented except for Walkertown. And my goal this year is for us to be represented as a community as well. And, again, we are not looking for any monetary donations but we are looking for support in trying to get some little girls out here and volunteers as far as coaches so that we can be represented in the community as well. We are also trying to get donations, well – it doesn't have to be money, again – maybe grass seed or something like that – so that we can get our facilities up to par with the other facilities are so... So, again, we are not asking for any money this year – we're just asking for support.”

Mr. Warner: Let me make one statement there. I will take responsibility for the parking problem because I told Mr. Thomas that I would provide the “No Parking” signs, if he would put them up. He agreed to. I did not provide the signs. But this year, I am going to step out of your way and let you take care of all of it.

Mr. Thomas: There was one more thing that I had to do a little research on that me and Mr. Warner had talked about. We had “Fun Day” in the city of Walkertown – August 27, 2004. We made announcements of the Fun Day but I was told that throughout the day that our P.A. shorted on several occasions and we purchased a new P.A. system on October 2nd, 2004, so we did announce it but they didn't announce it enough because the simple fact that the P.A. system did go down. But it was announced and we did have a few people to even go out there, some of the kids from the game, had went out and got their faces painted, I think they said. So I just wanted to touch on that to let you know that we are here to work with you all, too, as a community. Thank you.

Mr. Warner: Mr. Thomas, as far as the parking problem, that's not only on a game day, that's also at the practice. Can you control that or can you have men responsible for that, to see that the people park other than on the street, into the parking area?

Mr. Thomas: Yes, sir. And that's something..... Well, we haven't had a newsletter in my six-year tenure there. This is my second year as the League Commissioner. But with the newsletter that we have out, we will be able to get that to the parents in plenty of time that there will be no parking on the streets and we've asked them to park in either one of the schools and that was another concern of mine. Because we have one of the nicest stadiums that it is but we're not utilizing it as one of the nicest stadiums and that was another thing that I think we could upgrade as far as getting the parents to park in both schools and maybe eliminate using one side of the field and get all the parents to just sit in the stand from the home and the visitors'. So we're working on it and I'll get it in the newsletter and what I will do is keep it in the newsletter and I'll be glad to send you all one on a monthly basis to let you all see what is going on and that

we are putting it in the newsletter to try and alleviate it and any other things that you all would like for us to try to do, we'd be glad to.

Mr. Warner: In addition to that, I realize that the visiting teams, they will not know unless you have people there to instruct them.

Mr. Thomas: Yes, sir. And what I'm going to do this year is I will let every – because, before each game – well, the 2nd Monday of each month we have a league representative meeting and what I would do is let whatever teams I'm playing at that time I will let them know that they will be parking at the elementary school because it will be easier access for them to get to the bleachers and we'll have our side to walk to walk the farthest to the bleachers.

Mayor: I'm sure parking is a problem because many years ago they used the upper ball field to park in and I recall on the nights when they had ballgames, in that field, that stadium, the upper ballfields were full of cars. So you don't have that anymore since the library sits there so..... Thank you, Mr. Thomas.

The Public Session was closed at 7:13 p.m.

1. THE LEGACY UPDATE

.....Presented by Councilwoman Dot Duggins

Ms. Duggins presented the Legacy update:

Tonight is an update for the Legacy and what we do, those of us who serve on this committee, we update once a year. This is 2004's update. I want to tell you all that there are copies of this in the office and for you to go by and pick it up and read it, to take a look at it. Just as long as you take it back so other people can also take a look at it. We've put a lot of work into it. Steve (Garland) our attorney is also on this committee as I am. I've been serving, and Steve's probably served longer than I have, but I've probably been on it about ten years. Before I ran for office, I was appointed to this. This Legacy oversight committee is made up of representatives from every little town, municipality, that's in the Forsyth County area and surrounding area. And what we do is we go over things and look at a guide – a developmental guide – that we think that with the help of the Planning Staff – they come at every meeting and we go over what we're working on and update to try to look ahead, a 15-year developmental guide, which we try to look at things like the quality of life that communities – that these things will affect – zoning is affected by what we implement – to give them what we think should happen. Also, we want livable neighborhoods and you hear us talking all the time about walkable communities and when we're developing an area we want where we can go shop without having to drive a car and live in, work in, when it's possible. And that's the idea. Well, this oversight committee is charged with the responsibility of monitoring the implementation of the Legacy committee and we prepare that annual report. This is the third report to the community that we've done. The Legacy is measured by progress by its implementation plan. What we give to the Planning Board and what we think should be happening in the future, the Planning Board will take an in-depth look at and will then decide if it's something that needs to be implemented into the community and into the area. Now, it's been slowed down quite a bit this year and the reason for that has been we've had a lot of staff that has left the Planning Board. Several people from the Planning Board have retired or gone on to better things and so that slowed down the work with people who know, are familiar with the work that the Planning Board's doing. They're understaffed right now. And then the financial – they've been cut all over for the finances and this is one of the places that they've been limited in also. Now, one of the areas is the Metro Activity Center. When you look in this book, you will find that there are Metro Activity Centers. These are centers that are outside the downtown area of Winston-Salem. It's like, in Walkertown, we will have a Metro Activity Center on 311 – somewhere in the proximity of where the Beltway will go, near Williston Road – somewhere in that area, little above that. So, Metro Activity Center is where we want concentrated buildings, places where you can park your car and ride the bus. We want density where you can have shopping areas in that area. In the distant future, there will probably be some places like hotels, motels. In our area, that will probably be a while off. But, who knows? With Dell, who knows what is going to happen in our area? It will be impacted by that – whether there will be shopping and restaurants, and such as that. We have four centers – well, for instance, the one center, they have already done some work on is the West Metro Activity Center which has been relocated from the Robin Hood Road to the Country Club Road – that doesn't affect us too much, not here in Walkertown, but when we go into town, it will. The Master Plan has been completed on that. And work has been done to define the North Summit Square and the Reynolda Fairlawn Metro Activity Center – and so that will be coming up – a draft will be coming for that soon. Work has been begun on the City-County Metro Activity Center at Peters Creek Parkway and Clemmons Road. Area Plans which will affect Walkertown – work is continuing on the area plans which apply the goals and policies of Legacy to guide growth and

development in specific areas of the County. Number one, like the Union Cross area. That area has taken on quite a change, as you all have been reading about. That plan, the Union Cross/Southeast Forsyth County Plan has already been adopted by the County Commissioners in 2004 and is beginning that work. A draft of the North Suburban Area Plan has been completed. Work is underway in the North Central Area Plan and the Walkertown Area Plan, which you've heard us with our Walkertown Planning Committee, you've heard us talking about that quite a bit. That is expected to be completed in the year 2005. The ordinances, the planning has shifted in the last year from the guidelines for preparation of ordinance amendments that would apply to Legacy recommendations on the development they have had to take a little bit of a change and there are still lots of things that remain to be done. But we're working on it. New design options and zoning requirements for large-scale retail development has been completed by the staff and have been adopted by the City Council. The amendments to the Central Business District and boundaries in the permitted uses, they are being worked on. Devised street design that encourage pedestrian activity, which I already talked about – walkable communities – in all areas we are striving to have some good walkable areas. Legacy has completed and submitted – all these will be done – submitted in 2005. Revisions to the current on-premise sign regulations. We're always working on sign regulations. I know you've heard, like at Clemmons, remember when they had a controversy over the sign, on what height it needed to be, what sizes? That has an aesthetic value to a community. Tree ordinance – we'd like to have as many trees and keep as much natural area as we possibly can so that's one of the areas we'll be working on in 2005. Agriculture, farms – we want to preserve farms, we don't want to run our farmers out. And I know you have heard and read a few years back where the farmers who've been there for a long, long time and all of a sudden, housing has built up around them and then they're complaining about the tractors running on Saturday morning. You know, that's not quite fair to the farmer so there are things like that that are being worked out. There's studies that we worked on, like parks and open space master plan. That's being completed at this time and it will be taking place in 2005. Bike and pedestrian plans – they are almost completed and will be completed in 2005. Another place that you might have an interest in, and Walkertown would definitely have an interest in is the local historic resources directory – they're working on that and that will be completed and public will have access to that. In 2004, like I say, the Planning Board is trying to implement all these things that's possible as quickly as possible but are being hampered by not having quite enough staff at this time. Now, as this committee moves ahead, our greatest concern is, of course, the staff cut because we are feeling it here in Walkertown with our Planning Committee. We're a little behind and that's one of the reasons we're a little behind is because they haven't been able to spend as much time bringing that plan up to fruition so that we can present it to you folks. Now, the ordinance amendments – in order to facilitate these things, our committee and the Planning Staff has to have people like our council on board and that's why we keep you updated on what we're doing. We need you to be on board when we need to make recommendations for changes as they do that. Now, in the past, we've had some hesitations, there are a lot of people who say we don't like your being involved in what we do with our property but good planning has proved out to be very important. And I hear a lot of people especially out in areas like ours who talk about not wanting small lots to build their houses on, but this is a trend for the whole country – they're not making any more land so we have to make good use of the property that we have. And farmers, we want the farmers to have their area but that's why you see homes in all areas now that are being built up rather than built out! You hardly ever see a community any more that's not mostly two-story homes. So that's why that is. So we need to increase our density. We need to start thinking in terms of that – of building closer to the streets, having smaller yards – now, I'm ready for that! But then young people who have children aren't quite ready for that. The committee has identified the need to accelerate the process for Small Area Plans. We even want communities, like our community, to make plans for Small Area Plans too so that it makes the property and the town much more livable, much more accessible and available to us. Now, the summary of what we've done from 2002 and 2003, what has been done back then – the Greenway Plan was adopted. The Winston-Salem Downtown Plan was adopted. South Central Winston-Salem Area Plan was adopted. Southeast Winston-Salem Area Plan was adopted. Metro Activity Center Design Guidelines were adopted. The Traditional Neighborhood Development Design guidelines have been completed. Open Space Subdivision Design guidelines have been completed. So, overall, we're working – and we're working very hard! I do encourage you to come in and take a look at what's in here. It will affect your land. It will affect the zoning laws; these are very important. And any questions you have, guess what? I'm going to direct them to Steve!

Mayor: Thank you, Dot. It is good to see that our plan should be completed in 2005, which that's exciting – that we're moving in the right direction.

2. ORDINANCE #05-005
An Ordinance to **EXTEND** the Temporary Moratorium on any New Manufactured Housing Pending Completion of a Comprehensive Plan

DISCUSSION

This ordinance will extend the current moratorium through August 31, 2005.

MOTION: **TO APPROVE ORDINANCE #05-005**
AN ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THE TEMPORARY
MORATORIUM ON ANY NEW MANUFACTURED
HOUSING PENDING COMPLETION OF A
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2005

BY: **DOT DUGGINS**
SECOND: **HORACE WARNER**
VOTE: **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

3. RESOLUTION #05-008
 Certificate of Sufficiency – Annexation #10

DISCUSSION:

This certifies that participants in Annexation #10 request to be annexed into the Town of Walkertown.

MOTION: **TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #05-008**
CERTIFICATE OF SUFFICIENCY FOR ANNEXATION #10

BY: **WALLACE LARRIMORE**
SECOND: **DOT DUGGINS**
VOTE: **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

4. RESOLUTION #05-009
 To Set Date of Public Hearing For Annexation #10

- Legal Advertisement Prepared for Publication

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Linville: Before you vote on this, the developer has asked that the *effective date* be *before* the June 30th deadline and to help him decide when he needs to make application for his other hearings. At this time, I would ask you to decide when you're going to make this annexation effective so that we can also put that in the ad. He has asked for it to become effective when it's approved.

Mayor: In other words, in opposition to our ordinance that we have that we annex twice a year?

Mr. Linville: That's correct.

Mr. Warner: I think I'm the one that proposed that we annex twice a year on June 30th and December 31st. My feeling is that I don't find a reason to waiver that thing at this time. I feel like we're talking about a rather short period of time. We're talking about from April to June 30th, which is only a 60-day period and any development we had certainly would survive that short period of time in that in this particular case, if you remember, that went to the County – it was not under our jurisdiction. Now it is. And at that time, the County didn't see fit to approve it. If they went back to the County with it, they would still have to wait another year so I believe that little short 60 days is not that much. So my feeling is that we should stay with our original two times a year, June 30th and December 31st – and make this effective June 30th. That's my feeling.

Mayor: Would the Council be willing to hear Mr. Greene?
EACH MEMBER SAID THEY HAD NO OBJECTION TO HAVE MR. GREENE
SPEAK.

Ed Greene: My name is Ed Greene and I speak for the property owners who have filed this petition for annexation. It is simply a request that they have made that the annexation be effective as soon as practical and the reason for that is so that they can get started developing the property and get out of the wet --- to get things done before it gets wet and muddy in the fall. If we wait until June 30th, it's going to throw them behind some and I realize this would be contrary to what the Board's normal policy is but this is just a request that they're making and, course, we'll live with whatever the Board decides.

Ms. Duggins: Let me address that, please. This is close – it's not a long period of time you've got to wait and I realize that you want it to get started. But we just made these time limits – last year – and so we're not inclined to start changing right off unless there's really some ---- if there was more time here but June 30th is not far off.

Mayor: This is a rather difficult period and it's kind of a transition. We have made some ordinances – have set some guidelines – and this is the second occasion we've been asked to change them. But, even in our infant stages of going by our guidelines, we feel that unless it's something that's pretty earthshaking – we did make one little minor change – because we had made a mistake several times on our own – on an annexation. I understand and I appreciate what Ms. Duggins is saying. We're not dealing with the public hearing first, we're dealing with the annexation date first as the town manager asked us to discuss and give a feeling towards the petitioners as to what we would be willing to do.

Mr. Larrimore: I've never, in my whole entire working life, I have never had to go by – I've had to get on a plane, fly, get with the people, talk to them, come back and do the job. The thing about, if you got a plan, and it's proper, I see no point in jumping through hoops. That's my feeling.

Ms. Welch: The weather could be just bad from now to June as otherwise. We never know what the weather's going to hold. So....

Mayor: Mr. Linville, are you asking us to vote on when the annexation will be first? Okay. I'll entertain the motion as to assuming we're going to set the Public Hearing date for this....when this annexation date would be.

MOTION: **TO APPROVE SETTING THE DATE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR ANNEXATION #10 AS APRIL 28, 2005 AND SUBJECT TO APPROVAL, THE ANNEXATION WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2005**
BY: **HORACE WARNER**
SECOND: **DOT DUGGINS**
VOTE: **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

5. RESOLUTION #05-007
To Authorize a Tax Refund in the Amount of \$5.32 to
Steven Tuttle

DISCUSSION:

None.

MOTION: **TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #05-007**
TO AUTHORIZE A TAX REFUND IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$5.32 TO STEVEN TUTTLE
BY: **WALLACE LARRIMORE**
SECOND: **HORACE WARNER**
VOTE: **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

6. FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR FEBRUARY, 2005

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Larrimore: This is for the month of February and everything seems in good shape. We had some things that Lynn had sent letters to the people requesting they cash the checks. Two out of four said they would cash the check. Meanwhile our manager and Lynn are working on the budget for next year. I got a copy of what the state sent out for Utility tax and Beer and Wine tax, and Utility tax, and Powell Bill and everything for the ---- And they've incorporated it here on the work copy we got last time. Everything seems to be going good. I'd like to point out again, the ones that's got a copy there – the first thing there in February is \$2,011,109 and our year budget is \$1,093,000 – so those first two lines more than covers a whole year budget so the town's in good shape.

MOTION: **TO ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR**
FEBRUARY, 2005
BY: **WALLACE LARRIMORE**
SECOND: **DOT DUGGINS**
VOTE: **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

7. AUDIT REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

DISCUSSION:

Mayor: This is considering the audit for a three-year period because our audit contract ends this year.

Mr. Warner: We don't commit to a three-year but we actually make a statement of intent and we negotiate each year, based on the _____.

Mr. Linville: The three-year period is to get quotes for a three-year contract.

Mr. Warner: And it takes that long for them to get acquainted..... This is a very good proposal in many ways but I think if I received it as an auditor, without some insight to Walkertown's function, I'd be scared to death and I would peg it pretty high. My point is, we no longer have a water system; we have very minimal of many things that other towns might have. Is there any way that we could communicate to them? Our present auditor should know the score. Of

course, you've got GASB 34 – is there any way we could communicate to those that have not been active with us for the past two or three years, what nature of work we have and how much? I would like us to share to put everybody on an equal basis.

Mr. Linville: Page 5 has the funds that we maintain. I can include a copy of our budget with this proposal so that they'd know.....

Mr. Warner:And they would be knowledgeable.....

Mr. Larrimore:There's six that are going to get sent the quote.....

Mr. Linville:Are there any other companies that they would like to see this request? Steve reminded me of Daniel Professional Group who use to serve Lewisville.....

Mayor: Does Council have any other companies, CPA's that you'd like it submitted to? You indicated that we would be submitting for a 3-year quote or a 3-year commitment? How are we doing this again?

Mr. Linville: Three year quote. The companies ask for a three-year commitment but it's not binding. You know, if you have a bad year and you don't want to participate any more then you don't.

Mayor: In other words, would they quote three years and give us a firm quote? Because I know last year, ours went up pretty significantly.

Mr. Linville: No, the other years is just a quote because they can't see that far in the future. It says in here that those are just quotes – that they aren't to be held. Now, the first year will be a binding price.

Mayor: So, really, we're only bound by the one and so are they.

Mr. Linville: Right.

Mr. Larrimore: When you're dealing with the State of North Carolina, it can change quickly.

MOTION: **TO APPROVE GETTING QUOTES FROM THE SEVEN COMPANIES FOR AUDITING THE TOWN OF WALKERTOWN**
BY: **DOT DUGGINS**
SECOND: **WALLACE LARRIMORE**
VOTE: **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

8. PROCLAMATIONS

- April 2, 2005 – Walkertown Girls Softball Association Day
- April 9, 2005 – Walkertown Little League Day
- April 17-26, 2005 – Walkertown Civic Club Week

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Warner: We recognize that we have a lot of help in the community – a lot of things we should recognize with honor and it was said earlier that we appreciate all these organizations but I think by proclamation we can express that appreciation in words. So we have proclamations here for the Girls' Softball Association, the Walkertown Little League, and the Civic Club. We also have others that will come later, such as the Lion's Club, the Fire Department and all. We want to be sure that everyone is recognized somewhat equally. Our Town Clerk has drafted nice proclamations for each of them. We

chose the day that they're going to have their opening season of the girls' softball and the Little League baseball. Then we chose the week of the Civic Club- the week that it was organized – we used one member's card and it has the date of April 22, 1948, so working from that, we worked up these proclamations. What I would like to see us do is to proceed to approve these proclamations inasmuch as this would be our last meeting before these effective dates.

Mayor: All right. The first proclamation is for the Walkertown Girls' Softball Association – they're opening day is April 2, 2005 and we want to proclaim that as Walkertown Girls' Softball Association Day in Walkertown. That will be their day to enjoy the opening of their season – on April 2nd – and we proclaimed this in this proclamation of the Town Council tonight.

MOTION: **TO PROCLAIM APRIL 2, 2005, AS WALKERTOWN GIRLS' SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION DAY AND SALUTE THEIR MEMBERS FOR THE SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AND WORLD IN WHICH WE LIVE AND WORK**

Mr. Warner also said as”a second to this motion, we have never made any contribution to this particular group – we have to others. I think in our desire to always be equal, I would like to say that we approve this proclamation and maybe a \$500 gift to them for the purchase of bats, balls or whatever they see fit to use it for.”

NEW MOTION

MOTION: **TO:**
(1) PROCLAIM APRIL 2, 2005, AS WALKERTOWN GIRLS' SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION DAY AND SALUTE THEIR MEMBERS FOR THE SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AND WORLD IN WHICH WE LIVE AND WORK.
(2) WITH THE COUNCIL'S APPROVAL, TO OFFER A \$500 DONATION TO THE WALKERTOWN GIRLS' SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION TO USE FOR PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT OR WHATEVER THEY DEEM NECESSARY
BY: HORACE WARNER
SECOND: DOT DUGGINS
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor: If you'll notice, there is a letter in your packet concerning the participation of the Girls' Softball and the volunteers as well.

The second proclamation is for April 9th – which is the Walkertown Little League – April 9, 2005. This is the beginning of their season.

MOTION: **TO PROCLAIM APRIL 9, 2005, AS WALKERTOWN LITTLE LEAGUE DAY AND SALUTE THEIR MEMBERS FOR THE SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AND WORLD IN WHICH WE LIVE AND WORK.**

BY: HORACE WARNER
SECOND: SARAH WELCH

VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. Larrimore: Of course, I go along with what this is about but we still got to think about sewer situation for them and other stuff. I'd like to point out to the council that the Hotel Occupancy Tax, that we can give to different identities like this and softball for the girls and the Civic Club – our fund, this year, we didn't really give anybody much. We've made \$3,102 interest on our money. If we gave that away we'd still have the same amount we had so I want the council to think about the Little League and their problems down there. They can't sell hot dogs any more and several other things. We need to help them. But that's got nothing to do with this proclamation.

Mayor: Well, it does, too! I'm not saying it don't but if ya'll don't mind me asking Mr. Linville is there any final word on what they're going to be doing since Wallace brought up their septic situation at the ball park, our park, the town park that the Little League uses?

Mr. Linville: No, they're sort of back to square-one. The septic system will roughly cost \$50,000 to suit their needs and to sewer that from the pump station would probably be a couple hundred thousand dollars right now. So the Health Department had said they could build a concession stand and have a small restroom and continue to use port-a-johns but Inspections doesn't allow that because of the way their uses work. Right now it's just an expensive proposition either way.

Mayor: The Little League had asked if - not officially asked, but just thinking out loud – would we consider signing a note in the event that they had to borrow the money because they were unable to borrow the money on land that they did not own. And so be considering what your approach to that would be. All you would be asked to do would be to guarantee their note, if they had to borrow the money to put in the septic line which, I think they're required to put in about 2,000-feet of tail line, if I understood it correctly. So what would we may be, I don't know if that's what it is going to come to or not but we may be considering to do that in the future.

Mr. Larrimore: I want to point out something else. The park that the County owns and operates out here, that we're all familiar with. But they get by with one port-a-let out there. It ain't got "men" or "women" on it – it's just sitting there the whole winter and they're holding our feet to the fire....I just don't understand the difference – maybe it's an issue I don't understand....

Mayor:Well, one of the issues is that the Little League is cooking on a regular basis. You wouldn't have near the problem --- the big problem is coming in when they're cooking every night....

Mr. Larrimore: But, does that have anything to do with having to use the bathroom?

Mayor: Yes! The Health Department requires it. That's where the problem comes in. It does get to be a little problem, I see what you're saying.

Mr. Larrimore: I'm not a lawyer but something just doesn't smell right here. They put one port-a-let out there the county owns and the town of Walkertown owns one down here and we got to have a first class restroom. They're probably going to make us put showers in it!! I don't know.

Mr. Linville: Forsyth County Parks and Rec will tell you that if they built that facility today, it wouldn't be anything like that. That's why now they won't buy property that's not sewerred. I mean, they just couldn't do that

today. The Health Dept. will tell you that – it was built twenty years ago and the rules have changed.

Mayor: We'll continue to monitor the needs there of the septic, sewer system. Do you want to approve this proclamation? Our third proclamation is listed here as Walkertown Civic Club Week of April 17th through 26th, 2005. We'd like to proclaim this week as Walkertown Civic Club Week and salute their members for the continued service to the community and the world in which we live and work.

Mr. Warner: The reason that's a week there is it's not as easy to identify a date for them than it is for the Little League and Softball.

MOTION: **TO PROCLAIM APRIL 17 - 26, 2005, AS WALKERTOWN CIVIC CLUB DAY AND SALUTE THEIR MEMBERS FOR THE SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AND WORLD IN WHICH WE LIVE AND WORK.**
BY: **HORACE WARNER**
SECOND: **DOT DUGGINS**
VOTE: **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mayor: The Civic Club has played a vital part in community service in Walkertown for many years and as most members of the Fire Department know, the Fire Department was started by the Civic Club.

Mr. Warner: There is one line here that I did not read – It says, "Whereas, Walkertown Civic Club seeks to assist those in need in the Walkertown Community" and I think that's well put because I'm sure there's many cases which we do not know individually about where they always move forward if there is a need.

Mayor: If any of you have a desire to meet – if any one of these groups – I'm already scheduled to go on the 9th to the Little League, if any of you wants to go to present or to speak, you're more than welcome – to any one of these three organizations during the proclamation time. So if you do, let us know.

9. FESTIVAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Mayor: There's two letters. There's been two meetings of the Festival Committee. The second one is the more important, which if you'll notice in about the 4th paragraph down: The committee has the recommendation that, I don't want to say there's a lack of interest, but really right now, everybody seems to be busy and it was decided to go ahead with the festival but to target the spring of 2006 instead of the fall of this year. We had a lot of conflict with the dates; we had September's busy times – there's several activities in surrounding communities; in this community, the fish fry is already scheduled, the other community activities. So the committee recommended to the council to target the spring of 2006, without giving a specific date. And as you can see by the letter from the committee, this is their recommendation. If you would like to act on it now, that's your privilege.

Mr. Warner: I sat in on a couple of their meetings and from what I heard there, I think they made a good decision. There's so much competition in the fall with certain dates. And the uncertainty of where to have it, how to form it all. It just gives more time to do it right. The last year we were trying to observe

the anniversary of the town. That's one reason I can accept this fact to move over to the spring and hopefully, it will give more time to work the details out. So I favor it.

Mayor: Would the council be willing to accept this recommendation as to target April of 2006 for a possible festival date and tell the committee to continue to work. What would the council's pleasure be?

**MOTION: TO UTILIZE THE DATE OF APRIL, 2006, FOR THE NEXT
WALKERTOWN FESTIVAL**
BY: SARAH WELCH
SECOND: DOT DUGGINS
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Ms. Duggins: I'd like to note too that more volunteers would be needed, definitely. I would like to see them gather in a lot more volunteers because it's going to take a lot, especially if we do it in the street, like we've talked about.

10. SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT

Kim Marshall, Chairman of the High School Committee spoke:

As the mayor said, I am Kim Marshall. You have the notes from our first meeting this month. We have met again this past Monday. At the current time, we are just trying to get more information out of the School Board and the Administration to find out what their proposals are for short-term on bonds and also what may be coming down the road. One thing that we can use are more people, more voices. One of the things that is important to this committee is to be able to get everyone's input. I know that one of the things, and it's been in the paper a couple of times, is that they're looking at possibly a small bond in the near future, which would include replacement for the Middle School in Walkertown but would not include any work towards a high school here. The talk is that the high school would be in the next bond after that, which would possibly be 2007 – 2008, which would put the high school not being built til somewhere around 2009. But that's pretty much where we stand. Right now, we are going back as the committee recommended this past Monday was that we go back to the School Board and let them know that we need more information on why they want to go about the way they are that the community here for the most part is more interested in a high school than replacing the middle school at the current time with the information we have today. That's not to say that we all can't be swayed with better information but the key to this is that we have opened dialogue with the School Board and with the Administration down there. They're very open for that and we're going to continue that to make sure that we get our hopes and wishes conveyed to them and hopefully we can make it a reality out here and have a high school.

Ms. Duggins: I have a theory and I've heard a little on this theory. Maybe we need to pair with Kernersville area on the bond issue that will be coming up first and they will help us – the next bond issue, get our high school! That sounds like it's got some feasibility.

Mr. Marshall: I actually have had one person mention that to me. And if anyone can help me with who to talk to down there, be more than happy to. One of the things that goes along with that right now, one of the things that

was the reason we have – the School Board purchased the land in the last bond out here – was we were well represented at every public hearing and every public forum they had on the bond. That’s something that we’re going to need everyone’s help on when that comes around again. The way that you get anything in this county from the school system is you have to have a voice and those public forums are the best way to get a voice. And if you’ll get out there and speak, generally, they’ll invite most of the people to speak to small round table discussions – if you’ll go to those, you can get their ear – and that’s what we’re trying to do now, is trying to get their ear before we ever get to that point.

Ms. Duggins: We need to be highly visible like you say and we need to be able to speak and to say, to verbalize what we want and to show our strength. That’s what gets it.

Mayor: What meetings are coming up soon? Can you relay this to Ms. McKinnie and maybe she can put it on our email to where each one of us gets that information, when we need to show up.

Mr. Marshall: They haven’t really gotten in to any public forums yet on the possible bond referendum. And I think they’re still trying to feel out the county commissioners and see what they’ve got. They have very good information from their point of view and from their side; I mean, they’re very good at getting their message out and proving their point from the School Board. But one of the big things there is they have to have county commissioners behind them, to go forward, which is where we come in as well – those are/our elected officials.

Mr. Larrimore: Kim, explain something to me and the audience here. The thing I don’t understand is they keep saying that that school is just worthless. That’s the opinion I get that they’re saying. They can’t remodel it; they can’t this and they can’t that. All right. Are they going to continue having school there while they build a new one? And is it going to be right on top of that one or is it going to be down the street or what?

Mr. Marshall: The Middle School will be in the same general vicinity of where the one is now. They haven’t gotten into the details as to how the construction will be or what the building would be. They know that they need one and I’m sure that somewhere in their building or actually their engineering group, Gene Miller oversees that, I’m sure that somewhere in their group, they have an idea of what they want to do but they’re not discussing that right now.

Mr. Larrimore: I don’t have any kids in the school right now but I would be worried about what my kids are going to do.

Mr. Marshall: They wouldn’t close the Middle School and tear it down and send them somewhere else while they built it.

Mayor: Are the middle schools that overcrowded in this area? I know the elementaries are and I’m assuming they’re looking at the next one to be overcrowded after the elementary would be middle – maybe that’s their thinking. But is it that the middle schools are that overcrowded?

Mr. Marshall: Walkertown Middle School actually turned students away this year – made them go to other middle schools. We have the school choice program and there were children that wanted to come to Walkertown Middle School that they would not accept. They made them go elsewhere because they did not have the room for them. And that’s part of the reason for building a new middle school versus renovating. The impression I get from talking to Dr. Martin, Mr. Lambuth, Mr. Collins, some of those folks out there, is

that they don't like to tear buildings down. But this building is so compartmentalized in the way it was built. There's so many different levels that the cost to just bring it up to standard, not increase the size, would be prohibitive when they can go in, put a very little amount of money with that, and build a bigger, new fully-compliant middle school!

Mayor: That was their plan when they built it, right? I don't think we built that.

Mr. Marshall: No, but that was built 50-something years ago. That's their reason for wanting to do that. So they've come back and the numbers that they have supporting it are that our elementary group in this area is comprised such that by the time they can get the middle school built the biggest portion of those elementary kids would be rolling into middle school and their hope is that within a three to four year time span after that, they could get the high school in to take care of those kids. Our elementary here in Walkertown did decrease in size this year. We opened a new elementary school and Walkertown lost about 100 kids! It's growing across the board and it's interesting to talk to the folks out at the county – out at the School Board – and at the school administration because those folks – they're well in tune with what's going on. But the thing is, that it's just like everything else ---- you got to let your wishes be known. Because some times they don't consider alternatives. They get headed in one direction, you know, we're all subject to that thing – you get started down that road and you're going there unless somebody says, '*Have you ever thought about this?*' and that's what we're here for; is to make sure that they are looking at the alternatives – and to give them an alternative and let them know that we have a community here that will support a high school.....not only with the kids, but also with community involvement.

Mayor: Kim, we appreciate your working on this. I know when any of the officials are around, we had the chance to Donny Lambuth out a few weeks ago for an event here at the elementary school and we all got our licks in at the appropriate time. We'll wait for you to keep us up to date on when we need to be involved. I appreciate the work of your committee and the extra mile you are going to get this high school here.

11. FULP WELL PROPERTY

Mr. Linville: Steve (Garland) drafted a 'Offer to Purchase' contract. It includes a legal description of that property. Roy Southern offered \$800 for that lot, which is what the Town paid his family for that lot when it was purchased. So if you all are inclined and you accept that offer then, per General Statute 160A-209, which is a negotiated offer, we advertise that offer for ten days and if there is no upset bid, then it goes to them. Per the statute, Roy has signed the Offer to Purchase and left a 5% deposit, which is \$40.

Mayor: Okay. Everybody understand that? Is there a motion?

Mr. Warner: I think that fills the intent of the council, or it does in my mind and I hope the rest of the council, that as we abandon these wells, then we want to do whatever we can to be reasonable about it. We've merged the system because of problems and things.

MOTION: **TO APPROVE THE OFFER TO PURCHASE MADE BY ROY SOUTHERN FOR \$800 FOR THE FULP WELL PROPERTY AND TO ADVERTISE SALE OF THIS**

**PROPERTY AND LET IT BE KEPT OPEN FOR TEN DAYS
FOR ANY UPSET BID**

**BY: HORACE WARNER
SECOND: WALLACE LARRIMORE
VOTE: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mayor: If I heard you correctly, Mr. Linville, after tonight, if this is approved, it will be advertised for ten days – or it would be advertised and left open for ten days, is that correct?

Mr. Linville: Correct. It will be advertised and then someone will have ten days to upset that bid.

Ms. Duggins: Now, in these wells that we will be selling back to the folks, now we will cover ourselves, will we not, Steve, to make sure that anything that is on that property, that we would not be held liable?

Mr. Garland: Well, you know, we're going to be held liable for anything while we owned it, happens – what we have provided in the contract is a provision that says we're selling it 'as is, where is' and so people are relying in it as an as is condition(?) so again we've done everything we can but obviously if there's something there that had incurred during our watch, we're not making any representations about it but we are telling them that they are buying it as is.

Mayor: As is with the well house intact, pumps, pipes, everything just as it was when we discontinued the use, is that correct? You did say we would be held liable, what were you referring to there?

Mr. Garland: No! I'm just saying that if we've done something there that we could be held liable for, we can't, just by selling it, shirk it! -- that responsibility – is what I'm saying.

Mayor: Are you referring to, like, ground water contamination or something?

Mr. Garland:Again, I don't know, but the way the question was asked was can I protect us against liability for something on the property and if something had occurred but just isn't apparent until after it's sold, no, I can't protect you against that.....

Mayor:Some latent defect???.....Okay, all right -- I can understand that.....

Mr. Garland:But, I can protect us against somebody coming back and saying, 'You sold us something and we didn't know what we were buying' and the answer is, 'Well, you signed the contract that said you were buying it as-is so we didn't make any representation'.

Ms. Duggins: Is there any way that we can be more assured by investigation of some sort of the stuffthat's on the property?? That's the big thing.....

Mr. Garland:Yeah.....And, again.....that's the responsibility of the buyer.....to take care of.....You know, again.....I wasn't much involved with ya'll when ya'll ran the water system.....but I'm assuming.....and the entity that was there ahead of you.....did it in an appropriate manner.....

Ms. Duggins:Well, I'm going to rely on you that you're going to keep us safe on things like this.....

Mayor:Sounds like she's holding your feet to the fire, Steve.....

Mr. Garland:I will keep you as safe as I can keep you on this stuff.....
Ms. Duggins:That's good enough!!!

OTHER BUSINESS

- Manager's Update

There was no update from the manager.

Mayor: If you would, remember each council member has a set of evaluations and expectations that you were to be working on as we talked about at our workshop/budget meeting. We gave those out along with the other information. Be working on your budget; we need to finalize that within the next meeting or so. We don't have to have it done by April but it would be good – sooner the better. Be working on your evaluation and include the expectations that we were talking about concerning what we expect in evaluations of the town manager.

PUBLIC SESSION

PLEASE LIMIT YOUR TALK TO 3 MINUTES

Public Session was opened at 8:19 p.m.

1) Jerry Lineberry
5021 Wrangler Dr.
Winston-Salem NC

"Currently, now, I'm a new annexee here in Walkertown but I had some questions concerning this Annexation #10 that I'm concerned about myself, even though it doesn't directly affect me – it does affect our town. A few of them are, and if you will, help me out here because these are really questions that I am directing at the council for some answers – and I don't mean to sound stupid, or anything like that, but there's some things that I don't understand. Am I to assume that this Annexation #10 has been approved?"

Mayor: No, sir.

Jerry: Well, judging from what I hear at the table tonight, we're going at it like it is.

Mayor: No, sir!

Jerry: Okay, so I'm wrong there?

Mayor: No – only thing we've done is approve to advertise to have a Public Hearing on it. And then the second item is we set a date for that Public Hearing and it would be advertised before then and the annexation date, if it was approved, would be June 30th. But nothing has been approved other than to go forward with the Public Hearing; we've set the date in advance and we will advertise this Public Hearing and the public will have an opportunity to speak for or against this annexation.

Jerry: I understand. Okay. Well, this being a fairly large item I would assume and this has been on the table for what, a couple of years now?

Mayor: No. This has just.....

Jerry: Since last year, around March, maybe? Somewhere in there?

Mayor: This is actually the first time we've dealt with this annexation. We've not dealt with this annexation.....

Jerry: Okay. Well, this is what I'm asking....because I want to get it straight.....

Mayor:This is.....this is a totally new annexation....

We've never discussed this annexation. This has been property that was originally planned as a development outside the town, but it's now being brought

in and it looks like, if it's approved, it'll be developed inside the town, as opposed to being outside the town.

Jerry: Okay. Do we know specifically what's going to be developed in that area? I have heard rumors.....now, I don't know.....

Mayor: We don't have a site plan, no. The steps would be the hearing, the annexation, and goes to the Planning Board, and the site plans and all would be approved in step by step, am I pretty close on that?

Mr. Linville: That's correct. We legally cannot look at what a piece of property may develop into until it's under our jurisdiction.

Mayor: It's still in the county, right at this moment.

Jerry: Okay. And, as far as advertisement goes, for that meeting. Is there a specific amount of time, will there be ten days like.....?

Mayor:Yes, sir. Ten days prior to the public hearing.

Jerry:Okay. Well, I just want to get my mind clear as to what was going on because I was thinking, just to tell you, that I was thinking that there was a site already planned here, specifically, that may be annexed and us not knowing what was going on, before it was annexed. And I just want to get that clear in my mind.

Mayor:No, sir.

2) Marilyn Martin
2733 Martin Street
Walkertown NC

"I attended the Budget Meeting last week and what I heard there – I'm hoping you'll correct me on it. I hope I heard incorrectly. It doesn't concern the budget, but I understood that our town manager had been asked by a developer to withhold some information that he told him – and he did! This developer, Mr. Sowers, then proceeded to hand out this information at a later date so the council did find out about it. But what bothered me was the fact that Mr. Linville did not give this information to the council and that he did withhold it. It's my understanding that the citizens pay his salary, he is answerable to the council – and not to Mr. Sowers. Thank you."

Mr. Linville: If I can address that...If anyone ever asks me to keep a secret, I will. Anyone! That is – I've learned, through my young life, that if someone tells you to keep a secret, you do. He's working on an option on a piece of property and I don't know why he told me to keep it a secret and then told each of you directly but – I will always keep a secret if I'm asked to.

Marilyn: "Well, I just felt like since you report to our council and this directly affects the citizens of Walkertown that if anyone approached you in the future with any information and asked you to keep it secret, that you would tell them to stop and not tell you anything that you could not report to the council.

Mayor: I can't help but somewhat lean towards Ms. Martin's opinion. I feel like what you know, we ought to know, in many cases. I don't think you ought to bare your soul but it's hard-pressed for me to think – I mean, I didn't think a lot about it, not until it came up now – the town does pay your salary. That is a true statement, so... But, that's --- I understand if you had loyalties that you feel like you couldn't break, I'm in the position to say that if you don't want me to tell it, you might ought to keep it to yourself in some cases. But that's up to you.

Mr. Warner: If I may speak to that. I fully feel, and maybe I'm wrong, but I fully feel that the manager should always keep us advised of everything that is going on in the town. Now, if there's something that needs to be secret there, then I don't understand what it may be. But I think we ought to be kept fully advised and we are the town. And, of course, he has the communication there --- now, just like you said, I think this particular case we're talking about is irrelevant because we all got letters regarding that, too.

Mayor:I already knew about it ahead of time anyway, so I don't know what's the big deal.....

Ms. Duggins:I think what the secret was, was that Mr. Sowers called each one of us and told us the same thing that he told Toby.....

Mayor:Well, I knew about it before he called.....

Ms. Welch:No, he didn't call me! I am not important.....

Mr. Warner:Let me give an example. Today, I ride by and I see a sign down here at the corner of Darrow Road, I'm talking about on the north side of 66 – there's a sign up there: Public Hearing May 5th to zoning. I have no knowledge of what that is other than just reading that sign. I don't know whether the manager knows that.....

Mayor:Where is it?.....

Ms. Welch:Darrow.....

Mr. Warner:It's out there on the corner, the old Joe Vaughn home place there – on the corner. I don't know whether the manager is aware of that or not, but *somebody* had to put up that sign!

Mayor: I don't know. I hadn't seen it.....

Mr. Warner:Well, I didn't see it til today.....

Mayor:Joe Vaughn's old, Zimmerman house???

Ms. Duggins:Noble Vaughn's house.....

Mr. Warner:Noble Zimmerman's

Mayor:Oh, Noble Zimmerman --- okay.....

Mr. Linville:This case becomes before you.....

Mr. Warner:What I'm saying here is that we should all be kept well-advised of anything. That way, if we're asked questions, we can give factual answers.....

Mr. Larrimore:That's going to the Planning Board.....

Mr. Linville:Those cases will come before our Planning Board and then to you. Signs have to be posted thirty days in advance and actually those are more like 45 days in advance. In due time, you'll get your information.....

Mr. Warner:What would be wrong of us being advised when that's entered with the Planning Board? Since we're the final authority?

Mr. Linville: Well, there's a process, when they accept applications and the Staff works them up and then it goes to Interdepartmental meeting and then they get to you with the corrected information.

Mr. Warner: We wouldn't have any action until after they've processed, true, but could we not be advised at the beginning?

Mr. Linville: You can.

Mr. Warner: Okay. Let's do. That way, we won't have any confusion.

Mr. Linville: We'll make sure that the Staff informs us when they accept an application. They may or may not know when the date will be but.....

Mayor: Okay.

- 3) Steve O'Ferrell
 4783 New Walkertown Road
 Walkertown NC
 "I'd like to ask the council and Mr. Linville if he knows what's happened where I live?"

Mr. Linville: No, I don't. I know there's a lot of orange tape around.

Steve: Okay. What I've found out is I had a registered letter yesterday – a proposal on my property. And my wife called and talked to Mr. Greg Ball, which they have changed their name from B&B, used to be Realty Executives, now it's B&B --- Bart and Burton. No! It's Greg Ball and Furman Burt, that's what it is. But, what I've found out is they're going to auction those lots and my neighbor next door, Mr. Burt talked to him today and he told me they're going to bulldoze the old Flynn house that's shut down, where the White people lived, where we had all that mess. And they're going to bulldoze all the way behind my house, all the trees and everything down; across the street and to the house behind that. Now, don't they have to have permits or don't they have to have some kind of approval to do all this?

Mayor: Not if they own the land. I mean, if they go the EPA or environmental permits, I don't.....

Ms. Duggins:And if you have your property, if you want to have trees bulldozed, what do you do? Do you ask us? No! You go and have it done!

Steve: Yeah. But this is two-phased commercial zoning.

Ms. Duggins: They cannot put a building on it, not a stick on it until they come back before us. They can't do anything ----- they can sell it, they can auction it; they can cut the trees; they can bulldoze it off three times if they want to. But they cannot do anything with it, put a stick of anything on it, a building of any kind, til it comes back before us. That's a two-part zoning!

Steve: But. But, the two-part zoning was for Mr. Greg Ball, Mr. Burt Furman, anybody.

Ms. Duggins: It's for that property!.....

Steve: If it changes hands and four or five people own it, how you going to have two-phase zoning?

Ms. Duggins: It's for that piece of property.

Mayor: See.....regardless of who owns it

Ms. Duggins:It doesn't matter.....who owns it.....

Mayor:They can't build on it.....until it is approved whatever the use of it would be.....in the site plan.....it's a two-phase. True, it's zoned commercial as I understand it, but they may be clearing it – which I didn't know they were clearing it ---.....

Steve: I didn't either. This all happened. They was moving phone poles and lights and all that up there. I don't understand what that had to do with optioning the..... It may just be a coincidence that they were doing that at the same time.

Mayor: But they can auction it off, yeah, sure. They can do that. Sell it just like any other piece of property to be sold. And the council wouldn't be intervening in that at all.

Mr. Linville: The signal move was just updating those old signals – just a maintenance issue.

Steve: It looked kind of like they were moving the poles back from the corners, because all they did was put new poles up, back further from the intersection like they were going to widen the intersection.

Mr. Warner: Regarding that, if I recall, when that zoning was effective, there was also some conditions there regarding certain studies to be made, environmental and others, and traffic patterns. They would still be valid, would they not? As far as when it comes forth for a plan?

Mr. Linville: The zoning runs with the land; it doesn't matter whose ownership it is.

Mr. Warner: Conditions with the zoning still stand?

Mr. Linville: Right.

Public Session was closed at 8:33 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Recycling in Walkertown continues every two weeks.
APRIL 04 AND 18
- TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS: (4TH THURSDAYS)
7:00 p.m. at the Library Auditorium on:
01-27-05 04-28-05 07-28-05 10-27-05
02-24-05 05-26-05 08-25-05 11-17-05
03-24-05 06-23-05 09-22-05 12-15-05
- PLANNING BOARD MEETINGS: (1ST TUESDAY)
04-04-05 4:00 p.m. Town Hall – Pre-Meeting Session
04-05-05 3:00 p.m. Library (Actual Meeting)
- LAND USE COMMITTEE:
City-County Staff currently drafting plan
- SCHOOL COMMITTEE:
To be announced

ADJOURNMENT @ 8:35 p.m.

MOTION: **TO ADJOURN AT 8:35 P.M.**
BY: **WALLACE LARRIMORE**
SECOND: **SARAH WELCH**
VOTE: **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

ATTACHED AS INFORMATION:

- March 9, 2005 Festival Committee Meeting Minutes
- March 14, 2005 Festival Committee Meeting Minutes
- March 7, 2005 School Committee Meeting Minutes

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY,
DOT DUGGINS!!!**

