

**TOWN OF LONG VIEW
TOWN ALDERMEN MEETING
October 13, 2008**

The Town of Long View Board of Aldermen met on Monday, October 13, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Council Chambers of the Government Center in Long View, North Carolina.

BOARD PRESENT: The following members of the Board were present: Mayor Norman Cook, Alderman Ken Bumgarner, Alderman Jackie Bowman, Alderman John McDaris, Alderman Randall Mays, and Alderman Vernon Moyer.

STAFF PRESENT: The following members of staff were present: Town Administrator David Epley, Town Clerk Stephanie Watson, Town Attorney Redmond Dill, Finance Director James Cozart, Town Planner Charles Mullis, Public Works Director David Draughn, Water Plant Superintendent Rani Holland, Fire Chief Eric Shepherd, Captain James Strickland, Police Major Jim Worrell, and Police Officer Justin Roberts.

OTHERS PRESENT: Pastor David Grinnell of Penelope Baptist Church was present.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Mayor Norman Cook called the meeting to order and Mayor Norman Cook gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mayor Norman Cook asked for approval of the minutes. Motion was made by Alderman Vernon Moyer, seconded by Alderman Randall Mays to approve the September 8, 2008 minutes. The vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE I GENERAL PROVISIONS CHAPTER 10, GENERAL PENALTIES OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF LONG VIEW

Mayor Norman Cook declared the Public Hearing on “An Ordinance Amending Title I General Provisions Chapter 10, General Penalties of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Long View” open.

Town Attorney Redmond Dill said that after reviewing the ordinance, he recommended that the Board to approve it.

There being no further discussion, the public hearing was declared closed.

Motion was made by Alderman Randall Mays, seconded by Alderman Ken Bumgarner to approve the “Public Hearing on an Ordinance Amending Title I General Provisions Chapter 10, General Penalties of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Long View” for adoption. The vote was unanimous.

RESOLUTION HONORING PENELOPE BAPTIST CHURCH OF LONG VIEW ON ITS 120TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY

The Board of Aldermen presented a resolution to Penelope Baptist Church of Long View honoring its 120th year anniversary. Fire Captain James Strickland acted as a representative for Penelope Baptist Church and accepted the framed resolution on behalf of the church.

Motion made by Alderman Vernon Moyer, seconded by Alderman Ken Bumgarner to adopt the Resolution Honoring Penelope Baptist Church of Long View on its 120th Year Anniversary. The vote was unanimous.

CONSIDERATION OF THE IDENTITY THEFT PREVENTION PROGRAM

Town Administrator David Epley informed the Board of the Identity Theft Prevention Program. Mr. Epley explained that because Finance Director James Cozart is the primary person over Utility Billing, he named Mr. Cozart as the Administrator over the program.

Finance Director James Cozart explained that the program was designed to protect citizens' information. This would include anything from proper storage of Water Service Applications to security procedures when dealing with the utility account software.

Motion made by Alderman Ken Bumgarner, seconded by Alderman John McDaris to adopt the Identity Theft Prevention Program. The vote was unanimous.

TOWN PLANNER CHARLES MULLIS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ABOUT THE CDBG SCATTERED SITE HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

Town Planner Charles Mullis informed the Board about what the CDBG Scattered Site Housing Rehabilitation Program entails. Mr. Mullis explained that the activities paid with the Scattered Site Housing Funds must benefit persons with incomes at or below 50% of the Catawba County median income (\$42,349).

Mr. Mullis briefly went over the priority ranking system for this program. Two of the subjects to be considered in choosing possible candidates would include cost estimates for rehabilitation and the family's income level.

Mr. Mullis asked the Board of Aldermen to pick 1-2 homes per ward that they feel may benefit from this program. He stressed that not all homes were sure to be accepted to the program. He explained that only eight homes were chosen for rehabilitation from Catawba County in 2006. Funds from this program will be available again in early 2009.

DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY (DAVID DRAUGHN)

Public Works Director David Draughn requested that the Board declare the following items surplus property:

83 Unclaimed Bicycles
1996 Chevrolet Blazer
1999 Crown Victoria
1999 Crown Victoria
1999 Crown Victoria

Vin1GNNDT13W0S2142636
Vin2FAFP71WXYX1096
Vin2FAFP71W8YX109696
Vin2FAFP71W1YX109698

1998 Crown Victoria

Vin2FAFP71W8WX141271

1990 Ford F800 Garbage Truck with Heil Packer

Vin1FDYK84A8MVA03800

Mr. Draughn requested a \$4,000 minimum bid to be placed on the 1990 Ford F800 Garbage Truck.

Motion by Alderman Randall Mays, seconded by Alderman Vernon Moyer to declare the items surplus with the stipulation that a \$4000 minimum bid be placed on the 1990 Ford F800 Garbage Truck. The vote was unanimous.

WATER PLANT REPORT

Town Engineer Rich Anderson gave an update on the Raw Water Pump Station. He explained that he had a punch list of items for the contractor to complete before the project could be concluded. An included item that would need to be fixed but was not on the list was the airline. The estimated time of completion for all these items was the week of October 12, 2008.

There was a brief discussion of the entrance to the Raw Water Pump Station. The Board discussed moving and replacing the gate on the access off of 321.

Water Plant Superintendent Rani Holland gave a brief synopsis of the events that occurred within the last quarter at the Water Plant. She explained that currently she is in the process of looking for a 3rd Shift Plant Operator to work at the Water Plant. Ms. Holland wished to notify Long View citizens that the town is still in Stage 3 drought conditions and should still be concerned about water usage.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Project's Report

Tailored Chemical - Town Administrator David Epley informed the Board that the final payment has been made on the Tailored Chemical Project. The project has been completed. The Town of Long View was pleased with the work Hickory Sand Co. did on the project.

Powell Bill (Street Paving List) – Town Administrator David Epley informed the Board that prices for the draft street paving list should be presented next month.

Centennial Monument – Town Administrator David Epley informed the Board that the plaque for the centennial monument had arrived and was in place at the Recreation Center.

OTHER BUSINESS

Pastor David Grinnell of Penelope Baptist Church wished to apologize for not being available earlier in the meeting to accept the resolution on behalf of Penelope Baptist Church and wished to thank the Town of Long View for recognizing the church's 120th year anniversary.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion was made by Alderman Vernon Moyer, seconded by Alderman John McDaris to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. The vote was unanimous.

Stephanie C. Watson
Town Clerk

Norman E. Cook
Mayor