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TOWN COUNCIL
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Charles Seaford
Steve Stroud
Mike Upright
Lee Withers

TOWN OF CHINA GROVE
A regular meeting of the China Grove Town Council

Monday, February 2, 2015 **China Grove Town Hall**
6:30 p.m. **China Grove, North Carolina**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bringle called the regular meeting of February 2nd, 2015 to order and called roll. All council members were present with the exception of Mr. Linn. There was a quorum.

The meeting started at 6:30 pm at the Town Hall.

Mayor Bringle led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Seaford made a motion to adopt the agenda with an addition under Old Business I) Town Council Meeting Time and Date and under New Business I) TWC Wi-Fi Update and Other Business I) Information on a Proposed Resolution Concerning Tax Credits. Mr. Stroud seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Stroud made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Withers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENT

Mrs. Anne Corriher spoke to the Council on behalf of the Main Street Mission Bridges out of Poverty class. She invited the Council to the next Bridges training on Sunday, February 8th at Mt. Zion Church. She stated it is a four-week class. She thanked the Council and asked them to encourage them to attend.

Mayor Bringle thanked Mrs. Corriher and those with the group and Main Street Mission.

NEW BUSINESS

I) Water/Sewer Update from SRU – Presentation by Jason Wilson

Mr. Wilson provided information pertaining to updates to the SRU water/sewer system and water tanks that will help with more accurate reading and knowing when meters have been removed and/or tampered with. He reviewed the Sanitary Sewer Extension and showed an image of the one of the water tanks.

Mayor Bringle asked how much is being used toward improvement projects.

Mr. Wilson stated that $50,000 is set aside each year for projects pertaining to extensions and upgrades.

Mayor Bringle thanked Mr. Wilson for the update.

II) Time Warner Cable Wi-Fi___33 Update

Mayor Bringle stated that Mr. Deal has been working to designate some hotspots in China Grove. He stated that they were notified this week that TWC will be installing hotspots throughout town at our parks and Administration building.

Mr. Upright stated that a map should be created and placed on the website with the hotspot locations.

Mr. Deal stated that a map would be available once they are all installed and working.

OLD BUSINESS

I) Town Council Meeting Time & Date

Mayor Bringle stated that Mr. Seaford was absent at the last meeting when this was previously discussed and the time and date were changed to the first Monday of each month at 6:30pm.

Mr. Seaford stated that Monday nights are the hardest nights for him to attend meetings due to EMT Continuing Education that he has been doing for thirty or more years. He also stated that he teaches on Monday nights as well. He stated that he prefers Tuesday so that he doesn't have to make arrangements for people to cover him.

Mayor Bringle asked for discussion.

Mr. Stroud asked if there was a real purpose to changing the meetings to Monday nights.

Mr. Withers stated that it was a suggestion made at the last meeting for his civic obligations and same concerns with conflicts. He stated that the meeting had been moved the month before to 6:30pm on Tuesdays which caused a conflict for him.

Mr. Stroud stated that Mr. Seaford's conflict should be considered so that everyone can attend the meetings.

Mr. Withers stated that he would like to have all members present to vote so that there would be a consensus.

Mr. Seaford stated that he would like to wait until the full Board is present but would like to see this ironed out. He requested to table this item until the March meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

I) City of Salisbury Resolution of Support Request

Mayor Bringle reviewed the resolution that he received from the City of Salisbury concerning tax credits. He stated that if the Council has interest, they can bring it back to the Council at the March meeting.

Mr. Deal stated that the Railroad will be closing certain streets for the railroad project. He stated that the streets would not all be closed at the same time. He stated that this is for the underground utility moving. He stated that the preconstruction meeting will be later this week.

Mr. Upright stated that there has been serious hauling this past week and the streets in that area of Kimball Road overpass are taking a toll due to the construction.

Mr. Deal stated that they are responsible for the repair of these streets. He stated that they called and let them know in the past and they repaired the pot holes.

Mr. Upright asked for a report on China Grove Retirement Center.

Mr. Deal stated that they met with the managers of China Grove Retirement Center and the 911 calls have drastically subsided.

Chief Kluttz stated that the police calls have reduced as well.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Upright made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Withers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda A. Eller	**Don Bringle**
Town Clerk	**Mayor**