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MAYOR
Lee Withers

TOWN COUNCIL
Brandon Linn
Rodney Phillips
Charles Seaford
Steve Stroud
Mike Upright

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

Tuesday, December 1st 2015
7:00 p.m.

China Grove Town Hall
China Grove, North Carolina

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bringle called the regular meeting of December 1, 2015 to order and called roll. All council members were present with the exception of Mr. Seaford. There was a quorum.

The Mayor led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The meeting started at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

Mr. Withers made a motion to adopt the agenda. Mr. Stroud seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Stroud made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Linn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

OATH OF OFFICE

Clerk of Superior Court Jeffrey R. Barger was present to administer the Oath of Office to the newly elected Councilmembers and Mayor. Mr. Barger stated he was honored and privileged to be here tonight since he has known Lee for a long time.

Mr. Lee Withers was sworn into office as Mayor of the Town of China Grove for a term of four years.

Mr. Rodney Phillips was sworn into office as Councilman of the Town of China Grove for a term of four years.

Mr. Steve Stroud was sworn into office as Councilman of the Town of China Grove for a term of four years.

RECONVEINE/ SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Mayor Withers stated asked Mr. Bringle to step forward in recognition of serving for the past twelve years. Mayor Withers presented Mr. Bringle with a plaque in recognition of his time served as Mayor for the Town of China Grove. Mayor Withers stated Don is a major reason he is up there today and he thanks him for that. Mayor Withers asked if anyone would like to share a few kind words.

Ms. Doby stated she worked with Mr. Bringle for many years and set on the Board with him many times and worked on many projects with him. She wished him the best in everything he does in the future. She thanked Mr. Bringle for what he has done for this Town.

Mr. Bringle stated it has been an honor to serve as the Mayor for the past twelve years. He stated he served as a Councilman for 2 terms in the 80's. He stated that one of the greatest accomplishments is the Town is managed now by people that are home folks. He stated that the Town Manager and all Department heads are vested in this Community. He thanked the Board of Trade and the Historical Society for what they do for Town. He thanked town staff for all the community events that are held. He thanked his wife for allowing him to do this job and he thanked his family for being here tonight. He stated he is looking forward to spending more time with his family and granddaughter. He recognized Carl Ford and thanked him for what he does for the Community. He congratulated Mayor Withers in his new role.

The Mayor, Council and everyone present gave a standing ovation with applause.

NEW BUSINESS

I) Appoint Mayor Pro-Tem

Mr. Linn made a motion to nominate Mr. Stroud as Mayor Pro Tem.

Mr. Upright made a motion to appoint Mr. Stroud as Mayor Pro Tem. Mr. Phillips seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

II) Appointments to the TAC and TCC of the Cabarrus-Rowan Urban Area MPO

Mayor Withers stated that he would like to be reappointed to the Cabarrus Rowan Urban Area MPO.

Mr. Linn made a motion to approve the appointment of Mr. Withers to the TAC. Mr. Stroud seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Stroud made a motion to appoint Mr. Linn as alternate to the TAC. Mr. Phillips seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Stroud made a motion to appoint Mr. Ketner as the TCC representative. Mr. Linn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Stroud made a motion to appoint Mr. Linn as the alternate TCC representative. Mr. Phillips seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Withers stated it is with great honor that he takes the office of the greatest little Town. He stated there are many people that had a hand in mentoring him to this time in his life. He thanked his family for their support. He thanked Mayor Jim Morton for reminding him what making him realize what a great Town this is. He thanked many others for their support and guidance. He once again thanked Mayor Don Bringle. He stated that China Grove is better because Don Bringle's leadership and that he will always be our Mayor.

Mayor Bringle stated to the Board be the light for the Town of China Grove, your amazing you can do it shine bright.

CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Stroud made a motion to go into Closed Session. Mr. Linn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

There was no action taken.

Mr. Linn made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Mr. Upright seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Stroud made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Linn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela L. Mills
Town Clerk

Lee Withers
Mayor