**TOWN MANAGER**
Ken Deal

**TOWN CLERK**
Amanda Eller

**TOWN ATTORNEY**
Tom Brooke

**MAYOR**
Don Bringle

**TOWN COUNCIL**
Brandon Linn
Charles Seaford
Steve Stroud
Mike Upright
Lee Withers

# MINUTES
## A special meeting of the China Grove Town Council

**Thursday, June 21, 2012** **China Grove Town Hall**
**6:00 p.m.** **China Grove, North Carolina**

## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bringle called the meeting of June 5, 2012 to order and called roll. All council members were present with the exception of Mr. Linn, there was a quorum. The meeting started at 6:00 pm at the Town Hall.

Mr. Seaford made a motion to adopt the agenda for the regular meeting of the Town Council on June 21st, 2012. Mr. Upright seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## PUBLIC HEARING

I) Fiscal Year 12-13 Budget Adoption

Mayor Bringle opened the Public Hearing at 6:02 p.m. for the Fiscal Year 12-13 Budget Adoption.

There were no comments.

Mayor Bringle closed the Public Hearing.

Mr. Withers made a motion to adopt the proposed Budget Ordinance for FY 12-13. Mr. Upright seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Seaford made a motion to adopt the proposed Fee Schedule for FY 12-13. Mr. Withers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## NEW BUSINESS

I) Adopt Budget Amendments

Mrs. Bopp stated that the amendments look bad but they aren't as bad as it appears. She stated that the Tuscarora Yarns agreement needs to be shown in the budget as a "pass-through". She stated that they have not added any additional revenue but needed to increase and decrease several line items to balance the budget.

Mr. Withers made a motion to adopt the proposed Budget Amendments for FY 11-12. Mr. Seaford seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

II) Historical Society Donation Request

Mr. Deal stated that they have received a request from the Historical Society for a donation from the Town to off-set the needs presented.

Mrs. Bopp stated that $5,000 is in the budget that has not been requested or dispersed.

Mr. Stroud made a motion to donate $5,000 to the Historical Society. Mr. Withers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

III) Assigned Vehicle Take-Home Policy Revision

Mr. Deal stated that they have been reviewing this issue for a few weeks and has provided the council with several options to consider revising the policy. He stated the currently, the policy is to allow within fifteen miles.

Mayor Bringle stated that he has requested putting the responsibility on the Town Manager to allow him to bring it to the Chief of Police and Council as needed.

Chief Kluttz stated that there are two officers outside of the fifteen miles currently but are within the County.

Mr. Stroud stated that we should allow fifteen miles no matter what county they live due to China Grove being on the edge of Rowan County.

Mr. Withers made a motion to revise the Assigned Vehicle Take-Home Policy to allow employees that have been assigned a take-home vehicle to drive assigned vehicles home up to fifteen (15) miles OR at the discretion of the Town Manager. Mr. Withers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

IV) Low Speed Vehicle Ordinance Revision

Mr. Upright made a motion to revise the Low Speed Vehicle Ordinance Section 170: "Gators", "HUV's" and other manufacturer's equivalent as Slow Moving Vehicles. Mr. Stroud seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Deal stated that he has received an email from Mr. Frank Thomason concerning the frequency of the calls at China Grove Retirement Center. He stated that Mr. Thomason provided numbers of calls for the Council and stated that the frequency is fairly normal considering the type facility.

Mr. Upright asked if DSS does not require security at this facility.

Chief Kluttz stated that it is not required.

Mayor Bringle asked Mr. Deal to be in touch with China Grove Retirement Center, Chief Gledhill and Chief Kluttz concerning this item and bring it back to the next meeting in August.

**ADJOURN**

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

**Respectfully Submitted,**

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| **Amanda A. Eller, Town Clerk** | **Donald E. Bringle, Mayor** |