



Minutes of Regular Town of Fremont
Meeting
January 16, 2018

The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen for the Town of Fremont NC was held at 6:30 p.m. on January 16, 2018. Present were:

W. Darron Flowers, Mayor
W. T. Smith, Mayor Pro-Tem
Joyce M. Artis, Alderwoman
Al Lewis, Alderman
Annie Lewis, Alderwoman
Leon Mooring, Alderman
Joyce C. Reid, Alderwoman

Also in attendance were Town Administrator Barbara Aycock, Finance Officer Shameshia Fennell, Public Works Director Tim Howell, Chief Paul Moats and Dianne H. Spellman. Town Clerk Shannon Daly was absent.

Quorum Present: Yes

Call to Order

Mayor Flowers called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Flowers gave the invocation. Alderwoman Annie Lewis led all in attendance in the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Mayor Flowers asked for the approval of the agenda. Alderman Leon Mooring made a motion to approve the agenda. Alderman W. T. Smith seconded the motion. No discussion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Flowers asked for a motion to approve the minutes of November 21, 2017 Board Meeting. Alderman Leon Mooring made a motion to approve the minutes of November 17, 2017. Alderwoman Joyce Reid seconded the motion. No discussion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Information

Mayor Flowers announced the new business in town. The old Hardwood Dimensions were sold to a company called Meherrin, a huge peanut operation. Mr. Delmar Langley sales rep was present to answer questions if any. Mr. Langley stated at this time the purchase of fertilizer will be coming out of Smithfield. We have four employees plus me. We are anticipating doing 3 to 4 million this year. We are looking for a delivery person that has a CDL and hazmat license and etc. Chief Moats asked if he could meet with him along with the fire chief to get a list of chemicals that are used in the business for emergencies.

Informational Use Only:

1. Department of Social Services will no longer be at Town Hall.
2. ElectriCities 30- day and 40 days Notice of Proposed Rate Change.
3. City of Goldsboro's Summer Youth Program
4. Fremont Daffodil Festival will be on March 31st from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
5. Annual Senior Games Health Fair & Open House will be on February 2nd from 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
6. Hurricane Matthew Housing Recovery Center Opened on November 30th.
7. City of Goldsboro Sewer Invoice.

Public Hearing

Mayor Flowers opened the public hearing for demolition of properties located at 102 Ward Street, 103 Ward Street and 800 S. Goldsboro Street.

No one present to speak on behalf of either property.

Mayor Flowers closed the public hearing.

Mayor Flowers opened the public comment session.

No one present to speak.

Mayor Flowers closed the public comment session.

Action Items

- 1.) Audit Report – Andrew Harris, CPA PLLC deleted.

Mayor Flowers asked for a motion to approve the demolition of properties.

Alderman Leon Mooring made a motion to approve an Ordinance #01-18 directing the building inspector to demolish the 102 Ward Street described as unfit for human

habitation and directing that a notice be placed thereon that the same may not be occupied. Alderwoman Joyce Reid seconded the motion. No discussion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Leon Mooring made a motion to approve an Ordinance #02-18 directing the building inspector to demolish the 103 Ward Street described as unfit for human habitation and directing that a notice be placed thereon that the same may not be occupied. Alderman W. T. Smith seconded the motion. No discussion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Alderwoman Joyce Reid made a motion to approve an Ordinance #03-18 directing the building inspector to demolish the mobile home at 800 S. Goldsboro Street described as unfit for human habitation and directing that a notice be placed thereon that the same may not be occupied. Alderman Leon Mooring seconded the motion. No discussion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

#3 Approve paving and potholes

Mayor Flowers stated that 2 bids were received from Asphalt Services of Goldsboro and Barnhill Contracting Company, from the two Asphalt Services of Goldsboro bid was the lower bid of \$55,100.00. Mrs. Aycock reminded the Board that in the Powell Bill account we now have \$164,000.00. We need to not spend at least \$100,000, for emergency purposes. Alderwoman Annie Lewis stated that she and Mr. Howell did get the chance to ride around the streets and from the determination the 400, 500 and 600 blocks of S Sycamore Street is in bad condition. Mrs. Aycock suggested doing at least 3 blocks of street at a time.

Alderman Leon Mooring made a motion to award Barnhill Contracting Company the bid of \$55,100.00 and approve the paving of 400, 500 and 600 blocks of S Sycamore Street using Powell Bill Funds. Alderwoman Annie Lewis seconded the motion. No discussion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Town Administrator Mrs. Aycock announced that Wayne County is going for a Commerce Grant to clean out ditches and do repairs and was informing the Board that she will be doing the same. The grant information will be completed by December 2018.

Reports

Finance Officer Shameshia Fennell reported that the garbage has gone up per ton from \$10.00 to \$30.00 per ton.

Public Works Director Tim Howell showed a slide show of the Safety Award for 2017 with our guys receiving it from ElectriCities. Great Job guys!
Also reported was the power outage of East Main Street that went out when the insulator froze up and broke off.

The question was asked if there were anyway that E Main St could be cleaned better from snow and ice. Mr. Howell stated that the 100 block of E Main Street is state owned but he will make sure that the side walks in front of the businesses are cleaned.

Chief Moats reported that 2017 was closed out on a good not of level crime and is looking forward to a good 2018. Also to make mention that all cars have computers now, the same as the 9-1-1 call center. Now we are working on the Radio System. The first part of the grant has been approved for the radio system at a cost of \$24,900.00. There is NO cost to the town. We are waiting for the funds.

Mrs. Aycock stated that she had two other commissioners from another town visit with her on today. They were amazed at how much information that the staff shared with the Board.

Discussion of side walk from Main Street to the Dollar General store is still on the books.

Alderswoman Annie Lewis made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Leon Mooring seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

It was reported that the status on the 60/40 is still afloat. (Pick up truck).

W. Darron Flowers, Mayor

Shannon L. Daly, Town Clerk - Absent

Dianne H. Spellman- Present