

TOWN OF GRIFTON
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING

October 11, 2005

Present: Mayor Tim Bright; Commissioners Bill Smith, Billy Kornegay, Johnny Craft, Richard Hill, Gene Fleming; Administrator Shawn Condon; Clerk Pat Bryan.

Absent: None

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Meeting called to order by Mayor Tim Bright.

Mayor Bright led the Board of Commissioners in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

Minutes approved as written on a motion by Commissioner Fleming. Seconded by Commissioner Kornegay. Motion carried.

There was no public comments.

Motion by Commissioner Smith to approve the Consent Agenda and seconded by Commissioner Fleming for the following item:

Motion carried.

#1 Approve \$1,900 acreage fee for connections to Hwy. 11 lift station.

Motion by Commissioner Kornegay to approve the budget amendments as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Fleming. Motion carried. (Attached)

Motion by Commissioner Fleming to approve an amendment to Chapter 74, Schedule I, of the Code of Ordinances for 2 hour parking on South Side of Queen Street from Church Street to the Post Office with a 2 hour parking limit from 8:00 AM to 5:30PM and North Side of Queen Street from Pitt Street to the Post Office with a 2 hour parking limit from 8:00AM to 5:30PM.

Seconded by Commissioner Hill. Motion carried.

Mr. Bob Clark, Code Enforcement Officer gave the following update on Code Activities.

The following properties continue out of compliance with the minimum housing code:

1. Abandoned frame house at 162 Contentnea Drive (Carol Jean Brown, deceased), C/O Tonya and Leon Wiggins, Lenoir Co. parcel No. 456903232093.
2. A vacant and abandoned block house at 607 Tucker Street (old address), parcel No. 4569319959 Acquilla Bright (deceased), C/O Lester Mason
3. A vacant and abandoned frame house at Pitt/437 Main Street, parcel No. 010683, the owner is the Frank Henry Connor Estate, C/O Frank Connor, Jr.
4. A vacant and abandoned house at 595 Queen Street, parcel No. 018612, the owner is Samuel King.
5. A Vacant and abandoned block house at Millbranch Circle, Pitt Co. Parcel No.

- 024204, the owner is Herman E. West, Etals
6. Two vacant abandoned structures, (shack and mobile home) on the north side of W. Contentnea Dr., parcel record No. 148, the owner is Cora Lee Brown.
 7. Two or three vacant abandoned structures (two houses and two-story former residence/ store) at 705 W. Contentnea Drive, parcel record No. 149, the owner Desoto Brown heirs.

Mr. Clark, along with Administrator Condon, agree that overgrown properties should be addressed by application of the Town's weed ordinance while the numerous code' required steps are followed that will eventually lead to repair or removal of dilapidated structures.

Numbers 1, 2, and 5 will be ready to proceed by December 15, 2005.

Administrative Updates presented by Administrator Condon:

Pump well #1 has been installed and is up and running.

Mr. Bob Murphrey, State Commerce, has scheduled a meeting to improve Queen Street store frontage for small town development.

Will attend a meeting with Chuck Smithwick concerning installing a new pipe to creek for the CMSD system at a cost of \$250,000.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Smith was concerned with garbage cans left out by the road at residents.

Also, beaver dams in ditch at Lewis and Dogwood Lane.

Commissioner Hill was concerned with paving Tucker Street. Drainage problem needs fixing and two big oak trees are at the edge of road on Tucker Street.

Also large trees on corner of Highland and McCrae have large dead limbs falling out of them.

Commissioner Fleming was concerned with branches on Pitt Street beyond Group Home not picked up.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:20PM.

Pat Bryan, Clerk