



**TOWN OF GRIFTON
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD WORKSHOP**

Tuesday, October 2, 2012
7:00 PM

AGENDA

- A. Meeting Called to Order.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.
- C. Recognition of Persons to Be Heard (**NOTE: Comments are limited to 5 minutes per person. Everyone addressing the Board shall first state their name and their residential physical address**).
- D. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - 1. Sewer Rehab Project Budget – Ordinance No. 2012-02 *Page 4*
 - 2. Sewer Rehab Project - Local Government Commission Application
– Resolution No. 2012-10 *Page 6*
 - 3. Buckleberry Canal Dip Out Plan *Page 8*
- E. Commissioner's Comments
- F. Adjourn.



October 2, 2012

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Commissioners

FROM: Joe Albright, Manager

SUBJECT: Manager's Comments for October Workshop

Below I have attempted to summarize and provide explanation for each agenda item.

Item D-1: Sewer Rehab Project Budget – Ordinance No. 2012-02

Because the construction bids were higher than anticipated, it was necessary to request additional funding from USDA-RD for the completion of the Sewer Rehab Project. As you will recall, USDA-RD representative, John Nelson was present at our September regular meeting to grant the request for additional funds. Thus, it is necessary to adopt a new Project Budget Ordinance reflecting the additional funds. I recommend placing this item on the Consent Agenda for adoption during the next regular meeting of the Board.

Item D-2: Sewer Rehab Project – Local Government Commission Application – Resolution No. 2012-10

Because the Town will be borrowing \$573,000 from the USDA via Revenue Bonds, we are required to seek approval from the Local Government Commission. The Resolution language has been provided by our Bond Counsel Firm, Parker Poe. I recommend approval at the next regular meeting of the Board.

Item D-3: Buckleberry Canal Dip Out Plan

The Pitt County Soil and Water Conservation Agency has completed the Buckleberry Canal Dip Out Plan. This Plan is the result of a meeting that was held on July 27th. Present at the meeting was members of the Drainage District Board, Pitt County Soil and Water, Town staff, and residents of the Lewis Drive area. With this Plan, the District Board will seek bids from contractors to dip the canal from Lewis Drive to Brown Hodges Road. It is my feeling that this project will not get completed without financial assistance from the Town. I feel that the District Board needs the financial partnership with the Town. I also feel that the residents of the affected area expect the Town's participation. This matter is on the agenda so that the Board can discuss options for participation.