

RED SPRINGS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2017
5:30 P.M.

The Red Springs Board of Commissioners met for their monthly Board meeting session on Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. in the Town Council at Town Hall.

Present: Mayor John M. McNeill; Mayor Pro Tem Caroline Sumpter; Commissioners: Shearlie McBryde, Murray McKeithan, Edward Henderson, Eula C. McNeill; Duron Burney, Town Manager James Bennett, and Town Clerk Barbara McColl

1. The Board Meeting began with the Blessing of the Food by Commissioner Murray McKeithan.

2. **US Department of Agriculture**

Larry Sampson gave the Board an update on The Rural Development Grant presented to the Town of Red Springs in the amount of \$63,247 for the John M. McNeill Farmer's Market. Mr. Sampson stated the Award Letter will be presented by June 26, 2017. Larry Anderson hopes to have the second phase of the project completed by the end of October, 2017. Mayor Pro Tem Sumpter made a motion to approve the Grant and Commissioner McNeill second and the motion carried.

3. **Engineering Update**

Larry Anderson hopes to have the second phase of the project completed by the end of October, 2017, which will include adding exterior glass walls, two personnel glass doors, and six glass pane roll-up doors along with HVAC systems.

4. **Rescind the Vote made on Zoning on Third Avenue**

Mayor McNeill asked if there were questions on taking action made on Zoning on Third Avenue. Commissioner Burney asked that it be tabled and have on Agenda for next Board Meeting on July 11, 2017. Commissioner McNeill second and the motion carried.

5. **Sell of Bus**

Town Manager stated he had an offer for the Sell of the Bus at \$5,500. The motion was made to sale the bus for \$5,500.00 by Commissioner Henderson, second by Commissioner McBryde and motion carried. Board voted 5 to 1 to sell the bus for \$5,500.

6. **Landscape Contract of Alloway Cemetery**

Mayor McNeill discussed with the Board the benefits of the upkeep and beautification of the Alloway Cemetery. Kimberly Wicker provided a contract for the landscaping of the new

section of the cemetery. Commissioner McNeill motioned the contract to be removed from the table and Commissioner Burney second and the motion carried. Mayor Pro Tem Sumpter asked that the Board enter into the Alloway Cemetery Contract and Commissioner McNeill second and the motion carried.

7. Town Charter

The Board discussed the compensation of Elected Officials and agreed it should not exceed towns of similar sizes. Commissioner Henderson made the motion to make the change and Mayor Pro Tem Sumpter second and the motion carried.

8. Small General Service

The Board discussed Electric Rate Schedule for small service. A sentence was added that no customer under the Small General Service will pay a demand charge. Mayor Pro Tem made the motion to change the Electric Rate Schedule and Commissioner Henderson second and the motion carried.

9. Swearing in of Town Clerk

Barbara McColl was sworn into office as Town Clerk to the Board of Red Springs by Mayor McNeill and Board of Commissioners on June 13, 2017.

10. Budget Amendments

- 1) On Budget #2017-06-06 the Board approved a payment to DMS of \$40,000. Mayor Pro Tem Sumpter made the motion to pay the contract and Commissioner McNeill second and the motion carried. Commissioner Burney left so the vote was 4 to 0.
- 2) On Budget #2017-06-07 the Board approved \$18,549 to close out the end of year. A motion was made to approve money by Mayor Pro Tem Sumpter and second by Commissioner McKeithan and the motion carried.

11. Comments

The Board discussed to remove the stove in the Community Building and Mayor McNeill moved to table the motion until next Board meeting in July 11, 2017.

Mayor asked for a motion to go into closed session. Commissioner McKeithan made the motion, Commissioner Henderson second and the motion carried.

Mayor McNeill asked for a motion to go back into open session. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to go back into open session, the motion was second by Mayor Pro Tem Sumpter and the motion carried.

After returning to open session the Mayor asked for to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Henderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner McKeithan second the motion and the motion carried.

Commissioner Henderson made the motion to accept Manager Bennett's retirement letter, Mayor Pro Tem Sumpter second the motion and the motion carried.