

**CITY OF LAURINBURG
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 19, 2016
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
303 WEST CHURCH ST.
7:00 p.m.**

Minutes

The City Council of the City of Laurinburg held its regular meeting on Tuesday, April 19, 2016 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 7:00 p.m. with the Honorable Matthew Block, Mayor, presiding. The following Councilmembers were present: Mary Jo Adams, Dolores A. Hammond, Curtis B. Leak, Andrew G. Williamson, Jr. and J.D. Willis.

Also present were Charles D. Nichols III, City Manager; Jennifer A. Tippet, City Clerk; and William P. Floyd, Jr., City Attorney.

Mayor Block called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmember Hammond requested a moment of silence and she then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The City Manager requested amending the agenda to add two (2) items under the City Manager Reports: Set Date for the Budget Workshop and Discuss Town Hall Day.

Motion was made by Councilmember Leak, seconded by Councilmember Adams, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda as amended.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Ms. Wanda Bethea of 108 Marcellus Street expressed concern regarding the billing changes for residents of the Laurinburg Housing Authority.

Ms. Myra Smith of 638 Carl Drive expressed concern regarding the billing changes for residents of the Laurinburg Housing Authority.

Mr. Frank Evans of 1449-B Terrace Circle expressed concern about the proposed new City Hall.

Ms. Maxine Bonella of 716 West Boulevard expressed concern regarding high electric bills, the lack of a homeless shelter, and the possible utilization of Washington Park School as a community center.

Ms. Paula Legette expressed concern regarding the billing changes for residents of the Laurinburg Housing Authority.

Ms. Jacqueline Carrion expressed concern about a high water bill at a vacant home that she owns.

Ms. Deana Brigman of 11880 Purcell Road explained that while a new City Hall would be nice, she did not feel that one could be afforded at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

The City Manager presented the Consent Agenda as follows:

- a) Consider minutes of February 16, 2016 regular meeting; February 25, 2016 Citizen Input Session; and March 15, 2016 special meeting/work session
- b) *Consider Amending the 2016 Council Meeting Schedule by eliminating the special meeting/work sessions*
- c) Consider Ratification for the Mayor Pro Tem's Signature on Letter of Support for FEMA/SAFER Grant
- d) Consider Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Documents for the Asset Management Planning Grant Application

Councilmember Hammond recommended that Item b) Consider Amending the 2016 Council Meeting Schedule by eliminating the special meeting/work sessions be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Councilmember Williamson moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended, Councilmember Willis seconded the motion, and it was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Williamson, Willis, Hammond, Adams. Leak
Nays: None

CONSIDER AMENDING THE 2016 COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE BY ELIMINATING THE SPECIAL MEETING/WORK SESSION

Councilmember Hammond explained that originally the work session began as an agenda meeting but over time had evolved into more than planned. She added that the discussions at the work sessions were more detailed than at the regular Council meeting gave the impression to the public that items were rubber-stamped by Council. She further added that Council decided to amend the meeting schedule by eliminating the special meetings

Councilmember Hammond moved to amend the 2016 Council meeting schedule by eliminating the special meetings/work sessions. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Leak, and the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Hammond, Leak, Adams, Willis, Williamson
Nays: None

PUBLIC HEARING

CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE FROM RESIDENTIAL-20 TO GENERAL BUSINESS A TRACT OF LAND ON US 501 SOUTH

Mayor Block opened the public hearing.

Mr. Mac McInnis, City Zoning Officer, explained that Mr. Richard Locklear had requested to rezone from Residential-20 to General Business a tract of land on US 501 South to relocate his electric and heating and air conditioning (hvac) service business. He added that there are properties in the area that are zoned General Business and since US 501 is one of the main corridors into Laurinburg, it is anticipated that more business will develop along that corridor in the future. He further added that Planning Board unanimously recommended approval of the request, and staff also recommends approval.

Upon question by Councilmember Hammond, Mr. McInnis explained that the subject property is located near Archer's TV Repair at McKenzie Crossroads on Johns Road.

Mr. Richard Locklear of 9945 Johns Road explained that he would like the property rezoned in order to build an electrical shop and office on his property.

Mr. Eduardo Strimbaun appeared before Council and explained that he owns property on Lamar Avenue, and was concerned about the impact on quality of life for the residents in the area. He added that Mr. Locklear's property is a large parcel of land while his property is only an acre.

Mr. McInnis explained that there would be no detrimental impact to the residences surrounding Mr. Locklear's property. He added that Mr. Locklear will be required to install a buffer between his property and the residential area.

Mr. Strimbaun expressed concern regarding noise created by trucks and equipment, and the detrimental effect on residents.

Mr. Locklear explained that there would be very little traffic and noise coming from his business. He added that he planned to build a pre-engineered building and would install buffers around his business except for the front of the building which would face US 501.

Upon question by Councilmember Adams, Mr. McInnis explained that the required buffer will be such that at maturity it cannot be seen through. He added that the required buffer could be trees and/or shrubs or with a fence.

Upon question by Councilmember Hammond, Mr. McInnis explained that in the vicinity of the subject property there is zoned Residential, General Business and Industrial.

Upon questions by Mayor Block, Mr. McInnis explained that if the property is rezoned General Business, any type of business that is a permitted use in the General Business Zoning District would be allowed. He added that Mr. Locklear is currently operating his business out of his

home as a home occupation. He added that there was no discussion by Planning Board of a Conditional Use Permit.

Mr. Strimbaun explained that he was concerned what business be located on the property should the property be sold in the future.

Upon questions by Councilmembers Leak and Williamson, Mr. McInnis explained that Mr. Locklear's property is approximately 7 acres and he is requesting that the entire tract of land be rezoned. He added that Mr. Locklear will be required to submit a site plan before construction.

Mr. Strimbaun expressed concern about the following: that he did not know where the business would be located on Mr. Locklear's property; that once rezoned to General Business, the property could be sold and any type of business permitted in the General Business District could be located on the property; and that the rezoning will impact his property.

Discussion ensued concerning the possibility of rezoning only a portion of Mr. Locklear's property. Mr. Locklear stated that he wanted to rezone the entire property and not part of it.

Upon question by Councilmember Willis, Mr. McInnis explained that a business cannot be located on Residential-20 property with a Conditional Use Permit. He added that an electrical/hvac repair business such as Mr. Locklear's is by permitted use in the General Business Zoning District and the Central Business Zoning District.

Councilmember Hammond explained that since US 501/Johns Road is a corridor into the City, the City's Comprehensive Land Use Plan shows this area in the future to include mixed zoning.

Upon questions by Mayor Block, Mr. McInnis explained that a scrap metal operation could not be located on property zoned General Business as that type of business would need to be located on property zoned Industrial. He added that low impact retail or service businesses could be located on property zoned General Business. He further added that he had heard no other objection to the rezoning request.

Mr. Locklear explained that that his business would have very little impact to the surrounding area as there would not be heavy industrial traffic, only his small service trucks and occasional delivery trucks. He further explained that his building would be pre-engineered with a front façade of glass windows and would include an office, shop and small warehouse area. He added the parking lot would be paved. He further added that at most he would have six (6) employees with a secretary and himself onsite.

Mayor Block closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Williamson moved to approve Ordinance No. O-2016-03 rezoning from Residential-20 to General Business a tract of land on US 501 South (Johns Rd.) and identified as Parcel Number 01023306007 based upon the following:

The rezoning of Scotland County Land Parcel Number 01023306007 from Residential 20 to General Business will advance the public health, safety and welfare and is consistent with an adopted comprehensive plan and any other officially adopted plan that is applicable because:

1. The General Business zoning district is established to accommodate highway oriented retail and commercial service businesses which generally have as their market the entire city and surrounding area.
2. The Comprehensive Use Plan 2035 Future Land Use Map indicates the development of some mixed use zoning along the 501 corridor, which is a major thoroughfare coming in to the City of Laurinburg.
3. There are already some light industrial, Office Institutional, and several General Business zoned properties in the area. Future use of the area along 501 is recognized in the Comprehensive Plan as an area capable of supporting a diversity of uses including development of small businesses along the corridor.

AND

1. The rezoning to General Business will allow uses consistent with other existing area uses;
2. The rezoning to General Business will help maintain the present character of the City of Laurinburg while promoting diversity and future growth.
3. The rezoning to General Business will have no detrimental impact to the property values of the surrounding land owners and;
4. The rezoning to General Business will require limited or no infrastructure improvements by the City of Laurinburg.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Willis, and the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Williamson, Willis, Hammond, Adams, Leak

Nays: None

(Ordinance No. O-2016-03 on file in City Clerk's office)

DELEGATIONS

SEWER TAP ISSUE – MS. EMMA DOCKERY

Ms. Emma Dockery of 17321 Harvell Lane requested that Council honor a promise given to her father many years ago by the City for a free sewer tap in exchange for an easement across his property that was necessary to resolve an issue at Wallace Trucking Company. She explained that her father was told that any time the sewer tap was needed, the tap fee would be waived. She added that her father did not want to tap on to the City sewer immediately, instead wanted to wait until it was necessary. She further added that she nor anyone at the City could find a copy of a written agreement.

Ms. Sallye McLaurin of 16260 Joy Street explained that her father, John Grant Ellerbe, also entered into such an agreement with the City at the same time, and he chose to tap on to the City sewer immediately.

Following discussion, motion was made by Councilmember Willis, seconded by Councilmember Williamson, and unanimously carried to approve the request to waive the sewer tap fee for 17321 Harvell Lane for Ms. Emma Dockery.

LUMBER RIVER COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS – ADRIAN LOWERY

Mr. Adrian Lowery, Business Services Coordinator of the Lumber River Council of Governments (COG), provided an update on the COG's activities as follows:

- Housing Division of the COG:
 - This division has decreased as the State moved the Scattered Site Community Development Block Grant money out of housing and in to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) for infrastructure.
 - A Scotland Single Family Rehab (SFR) Program was completed on three (3) homes to rehabilitate them up to maximum energy standards. The State then provided additional funding for rehabilitation of nine (9) more homes. The majority of the homes were in the City limits.
 - Now taking applications for a new SFR Program.
 - Before the State eliminated the CDBG Program, three (3) homes were demolished and replaced, all within the City limits.
- Technical Assistance of the COG:
 - COG staff is working with the City on an Asset Planning Management Grant for water and sewer infrastructure.
- Workforce Development of the COG: Mr. Lowery explained that he is now working with Workforce Development and oversees the old unemployment office on North Main Street, which is now NC Works.
 - There are various programs for adults and youth with regard to job vacancies and worker training.
 - Works with local businesses to identify and work with employees with skill set deficiencies.
 - Working with the Scotland High School Continuing Technical Education Director on Work Ready Community Program, which is an economic development tool.
 - Technology skills are a driving factor for hiring.
 - Three (3) primary difficulties employers face in hiring: applicants cannot pass drug testing; applicants cannot pass background checks; and applicants do not have the skills necessary to perform the job.

Upon question by Mayor Block, Mr. Lowery explained that the SFR program is advertised in *The Laurinburg Exchange* and the COG maintains a list of those needing housing improvements and ensures that applications go out to individuals who meet the criteria for the program. He added that the SFR Program does not include mobile homes.

LAURINBURG HOUSING AUTHORITY – NANCY WALKER

Mrs. Nancy Walker, Executive Director of the Laurinburg Housing Authority (LHA), provided an explanation of the upcoming change in electric billing for LHA residents. Below are highlights:

- The LHA is being converted by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to a tenant-paid electric model, and this has been in the works for some time.
- Over the last 20 years HUD has been trying to encourage energy conservation.
- In all subsidized housing, except for older public housing units, the electric bills are the responsibility of the residents. The residents receive a subsidy for the electric bill.
- In all subsidized housing, whether Section 8, multi-family, project-based vouchers, Section 8 vouchers or public housing (original program) a tenant never pays more than 30% of income for rent and electricity. The income levels are set by HUD.
- There is a minimum of \$50.00 per month for rent and utilities due to the income of the resident. LHA has a number of residents who pay \$50.00 for rent and utilities.
- Under the new system, if a resident receives an electric bill that will put them over the 30% of income level for rent and electricity, then LHA will reduce the rent amount to the resident to maintain the HUD rule of no more than 30% of income.
- Under the new system, if a resident has an electric bill and rent totaling less than the 30% income level, then LHA will send the excess to the City to be applied to the electric bill.
- Residents of LHA were notified about the change in utility billing in January, 2016 in order to give them time to prepare for the transition. LHA has had several meetings and most residents attended.
- There are a few residents who live at LHA that are no longer eligible to receive subsidy; therefore their rent is market rent and they are responsible for paying their utility bills.

Upon question by Councilmember Willis, Mrs. Walker explained that LHA does not and cannot have funds set aside to assist any residents who owe back utility bills. She added that if there are any residents who owe back utility bills to the City prior to moving into LHA, they will need to check with agencies such as Church Community Services, Department of Social Services and churches in the area for assistance if they cannot pay the back amount owed. She further added that this is no different when a new tenant moves into Central School Apartments or any of the other income subsidy apartments in Laurinburg.

Upon question by Councilmember Willis, Mrs. Walker explained that if a resident cannot pay the deposit and/or delinquent utility account, LHA will try to work with the residents; however, the resident must prove that they are making an effort. She added that LHA had proposed that the City waive the deposit for residents currently living in LHA and LHA would guarantee if a resident moved out owed the City money, LHA could pay the electric bill out of the resident's vacated account.

Discussion ensued concerning the City's deposit requirement and the need for the City to treat all of its customers the same.

Upon question by Councilmember Leak, Mrs. Walker explained that if a resident's electricity is turned off due to non-payment, Federal Regulations require LHA to give the resident 48 hours to get the electricity back on; and if not turned back on within the 48 hours, the resident would be evicted.

Upon question by Mayor Block, Mrs. Walker explained that LHA staff does not know how many of its residents have delinquent bills with the City. She added that the possibility of delinquent bills with the City was one (1) reason for LHA having meetings in advance to allow anyone with such issues to make arrangements and plans to deal with those issues.

Mayor Block requested that Mrs. Walker provide the City with a list of tenants.

Upon question by Councilmember Hammond, the City Manager explained that some LHA residents had come in to the City to inquire if they had any delinquent utility bills, but he does not know how many have done so.

Mrs. Walker explained that LHA staff had encouraged residents to see if they had any delinquent utility accounts with the City so that they could begin working with the City.

Upon question by Councilmember Adams, Mrs. Walker explained that the current hold-up on moving forward with the conversion was that HUD was trying to determine the method to determine the utility allowance for residents.

Councilmember Leak encouraged Mrs. Walker to ensure that residents have valid information.

Upon question by Councilmember Williamson, Mrs. Walker clarified that the billing change is a requirement of HUD and 95% of properties are on tenant paid models. She added that there are high-rise units in large cities that have boiler heat systems, and are therefore not on the tenant paid model.

Discussion ensued concerning average electric bills of LHA residents. Mrs. Walker explained that under the old system, LHA was not allowed to give an allowance for air conditioning, and this will be phased in under the new system. She further added that LHA is replacing some systems to be as energy efficient as possible.

At 9:12 p.m., Mayor Block called for a short break.

The meeting resumed at 9:15 p.m.

ARTS COUNCIL UPDATE/BUDGET –ERIN REMBERT

Mrs. Brenda Gilbert of the Scotland County Arts Council explained that Ms. Rembert was unable to be present at this meeting and she looked forward to appearing at the May Council meeting. Mrs. Gilbert added that she wanted to plant a seed for Council to consider a partnership with the Arts Council and some funding for programs. She then read a letter prepared by Ms. Rembert, a copy of which is attached as Attachment A and incorporated in these minutes.

The City Manager explained that he had talked with Ms. Rembert and she will provide more details in May; however discussion ensued the Arts Council taking over Christmas on Main and offering different programs downtown. He requested of Mrs. Gilbert that it would be helpful if Ms. Rembert could get documentation to staff prior to the May meeting.

Upon questions by Councilmember Adams, Mrs. Gilbert explained that the Arts Council is funded through grants, fundraisers, memberships and rental of the facility. She added that the Arts Council does not receive funding from Scotland County.

Upon question by Mayor Block, Mrs. Gilbert explained that the Arts Council would be asking Scotland County for funding.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

CREECH & ASSOCIATES AND EDIFICE – PRESENTATION ON OPTIONS CONCERNING CITY HALL

The City Manager explained that representatives from Creech & Associates and from Edifice, Inc. would present a presentation on different options that Council had requested concerning the proposed new City Hall and Police Station.

Mr. Brent Green of Creech & Associates and Mr. Mike Carlisto of Edifice, Inc. presented a PowerPoint with highlights as follows:

- Mr. Carlisto explained that Edifice, Inc. out of Charlotte has been working on projects in the Carolinas since 1978, and has worked with Creech & Associates on many projects including the Waxhaw Police Station, Indian Trail Town Hall, and the Mint Hill Police Department and Town Hall.
- Mr. Green explained that approximately half of the work Creech & Associates does is renovation work. He cited renovation of a building that was on the Historic Register, renovations in Historic Downtown Charleston by Creech & Associates Charleston Office, and Creech & Associates' Charlotte office is located in an old mill that was converted to offices.
- Mr. Carlisto explained that Edifice, Inc. has worked on many renovations and is currently working on a renovation/addition project in Charlotte which involves the old Ford Motor Company Building built in the 1950's. He added that the Mint Hill Police Department was a renovation of the old Town Hall.
- Mr. Carlisto explained that Creech & Associates and Edifice, Inc. were asked to review the Oakley Collier Space Needs Study with regarding to the municipal building and offices in the Barrett Building. Creech & Associates also toured the facilities, talked with staff and walked the grounds.
- Mr. Carlisto explained that the Municipal Building was built in 1958, with an addition in the 1970's. He further explained that it is a concrete block building with the concrete block walls. He discussed the difficulties in renovating the Municipal Building for staff offices including the structural challenge of the block walls, the floor to floor heights

which means there is not much room above the ceilings to house electrical, heating and air conditioning, plumbing and technology infrastructure. He also discussed the challenge with access control, particularly with regard to the Police Department.

- Mr. Green explained that with renovating a building such as the Municipal Building, it must be brought up to all the North Carolina Building Code including the Energy Code which would require that the building be gutted in order to add necessary insulation. He also discussed Seismic Compliance and Fire Code.
- Mr. Carlisto discussed the electrical upgrades to panels and secondary panels and the need for a larger emergency generator. He also discussed American Disability Act (ADA) issues with width of doors necessary and the difficulties with the cinder block walls.
- Mr. Green discussed other Building Code requirements such as fixtures in restrooms and the number of restrooms based upon the size of the building.
- Mr. Carlisto explained that if the Municipal Building were renovated, the building would be unusable during that time period, and the Police Department and all other staff would have to be relocated. He added that if space were lease for the Police Department, security requirements would be a major concern that could be costly.

Mr. Carlisto explained that a very high-level cost comparison was conducted. He explained that the scope of work and square footages from the 2013 Oakley Collier Space Needs Analysis were taken and estimated construction costs based upon 2013 costs were as follows:

Option 1: Addition of new Police Station and renovation of Municipal Building	\$7,385,800.00
Option 2: Construct New City Hall and Police Station	\$6,000,642.00

Mr. Green explained that these numbers differ from the numbers presented in the Oakley Collier Study. He added that he wanted to clarify that while there was a lot of valid information in said Study, one of the shortfalls discovered involved the unit construction costs used by Oakley Collier. He further added that Oakley Collier is an architectural firm, and that the benefit of Creech & Associates and Edifice, Inc. reviewing the Study, was that Edifice, Inc. is a construction management firm and knows what the costs are.

Upon question by Councilmember Willis, Mr. Green explained that the costs presented in the 2013 Oakley Collier Space Needs Analysis for renovation of the Municipal Building and addition of a Police Station and for construction of a new City Hall and Police Department were undershot, not realistic and below commercial construction costs at that time in 2013. He added that the costs provided were based strictly on the information from the Oakley Collier Study and not on the proposed design.

Upon question by Mayor Block, Mr. Calisto explained that cost for relocation of staff would depend upon the timeline of construction of a new Police Station.

Upon question by Mayor Block, Mr. Green explained that the figures presented were construction costs, and did not include design costs and other soft costs such as furniture, fixtures, equipment, and other fees such as permitting fees.

Mayor Block explained that if it was determined that more space was not needed, then a rough estimate of renovation and demolition of the current Municipal Building would be \$2.1 million plus asbestos abatement and relocation costs. He added that if space is not an issue, then renovation of the existing space is approximately less than half of building a new Police Station.

Mr. Green confirmed Mayor Block's approximate cost figures and added that it was assuming that there would not be any new structure, just renovation of the existing Municipal Building.

Mr. Carlisto explained that the renovation of the Municipal Building would be a tough renovation because of the block walls and to bring it up to current Codes.

Upon question by Mayor Block, Mr. Green explained that the current floor to floor height in the Municipal Building is around 12 feet and the norm today is 14 feet 8 inches. He added that in order to comply with energy and other code requirements, the ceiling height after a renovation would be very uncomfortable.

Mayor Block thanked Mr. Green and Mr. Carlisto for the information.

CONSIDER POLICY FOR FOLLOWING-UP ON PUBLIC INPUT QUESTIONS/ISSUES

Mayor Block explained that he would like Council to consider having a policy on responding to comments or questions citizens present during the Public Comment Period in order to show that Council is interested in what citizens are saying. He suggested that the City Manager could be directed to research the matter and provide follow-up at the next meeting or perhaps after research, the City Manager could call or meet with the citizen within a reasonable time period.

Following discussion, it was consensus of Council that by consensus of Council, the City Manager would be directed to research a citizen's issue or question and report back to Council.

CONSIDER REQUEST TO REPLACE AWNING

The City Manager explained that Ms. Theresa Alexander had requested that the City replace the awning for her building at the corner of South Main and Cronly Streets. He added that in Phase I and Phase II of the Downtown Improvements, some awnings were replaced; however, this one was not. He further added that it had been damaged during a storm. He further explained that the Downtown Associate Community would review the potential awning as well as provide staff with a draft policy on awning replacement.

Following discussion, motion was made by Councilmember Willis and seconded by Councilmember Hammond to replace the awning on the building located at the corner of South Main Street and Cronly Street as requested by Ms. Theresa Alexander with funds coming out of the Municipal Tax District funds, and for staff to develop a policy for dealing with awning replacement.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Willis, Hammond, Adams, Leak, Williamson

Nays: None

CONSIDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF REMAINDER OF CITY'S CONTRIBUTION FOR SCOTLAND COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Motion was made by Councilmember Willis to authorize payment of the remaining \$20,000.00 of the City's contribution for Scotland County Economic Development Corporation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Adams, and the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Willis, Adams, Leak, Hammond, Williamson

Nays: None

BUDGET MEETING

Following discussion, it was consensus of Council to hold a budget workshop on Monday, May 9, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

TOWN HALL DAY

The City Manager requested that Council let him or the City Clerk know who would be attending Town Hall Day on June 8, 2016 and also what meetings they wanted to be arranged that day.

APPOINTMENTS

SCOTLAND COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

Mayor Block explained that Councilmember Andrew G. Williamson, Jr. resigned from the Scotland County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Motion was made by Councilmember Williamson, seconded by Councilmember Adams, and unanimously carried to appoint Mayor Matthew Block to Scotland County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

CLOSED SESSION

At 10:05 p.m., Councilmember Adams moved to go into closed session pursuant to NC General Statute 143-318.11(a)(3) to consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the City. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hammond, and unanimously carried.

At 10:14 p.m., Councilmember Williamson moved to adjourn the closed session and resume the open meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hammond, and carried unanimously.

AUTHORIZE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE DEED CONVEYING PROPERTY LOCATED ON LEE'S MILL ROAD TO ALAN CLARK

Motion was made by Councilmember Willis, seconded by Councilmember Adams, and unanimously carried to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a deed conveying real property located on Lee's Mill Road to Alan Clark.

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND/OR COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmember Adams reminded Council about the dinner being held at the Laurinburg-Maxton Airport for the City Council, Town of Maxton Board of Commissioners and Laurinburg-Maxton Airport Commission Board (LMAC) on May 12, 2016.

The City Manager requested that Council let the City Clerk know if they will or will not be attending the LMAC dinner.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Williamson, seconded by Councilmember Hammond, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:13 p.m.

Matthew Block, MD, Mayor

Jennifer A. Tippett, City Clerk