

**TOWN OF MCADENVILLE
SPECIAL MEETING / BUDGET WORKSHOP
APRIL 19, 2018**

The McAdenville Town Council met in Special Session on April 19, 2018 at 3:30 PM in the Council Chambers of Town Hall, 125 Main Street. Proper notice was given.

Members Present: Mayor Jim Robinette; Councilmembers: Joe Rankin, Greg Richardson, Reid Washam, Jay McCosh and Carrie Bailey. Also present: Town Clerk, Lesley Dellinger, Chief Brad Adams and Ann Sessom.

Mayor Robinette called the meeting to order. The Council considered the agenda. The Mayor requested we add Item 6(d) to discuss the Carter property easement. Upon motion by Carrie Bailey and seconded by Reid Washam it was unanimously voted to approve the agenda as presented with the one addition noted.

Christmas Light Budget

Chief Brad Adams reviewed with Council his request for \$11,000 in the 2018-19 budget which reflects no increase for the upcoming year. In addition to his coverage there will be additional expenses incurred for the officer at the Lowell railroad crossing, firemen, and proposed weekend coverage for Mockingbird Lane which would bring the Christmas Town expense to \$16,000. This figure includes the additional coverage required for the Yule Log and Tree Lighting Events hosted by Pharr. Council requested that the Town Clerk contact Pharr and request participation from them in the amount of \$3,000 to offset the expenses.

Chief Adams plans to get estimates on cost to purchase radar speed signs for Mockingbird and Wesleyan. He will also check on a possible grant toward this project. Chief Adams stated that the solar power speed signs work well.

Preston Wilson, BowerTraust Construction – Town Hall Building

Preston Wilson and Ken Culp with BowerTraust Construction reviewed with Town Council the estimated cost of the renovations needed on the Town Hall building. The bid is \$489,435.94. The plans show several items that have been removed by the Town Council and should reduce this estimate. Mayor Robinette, Lesley Dellinger and Preston Wilson will meet with Brian Sciba, Gaston County Building Inspector Director, about approving the design changes so we can proceed with this project. Mayor Robinette and Lesley Dellinger will manage this project and approve any draws requested by the contractor.

Review of Suggested Budget Figures

Council reviewed proposed budget figures for the 2018-19 Budget in the General Fund. Recommended changes were given to the Town Clerk.

Water/Sewer Budget Discussion

Council reviewed the proposed Water/Sewer Budget figures for the 2018-19 Budget. Recommended changes were given to the Town Clerk. The Town has been notified by Two Rivers that their rate increase to us will be 2 ½ percent for the upcoming year. Consensus of the Council is to increase the residential/commercial and industrial Water/Sewer rates by 2 ½ percent to offset this increase.

Carter Property Easement

Lesley Dellinger updated the Council on the proposed Carter easement for the Greenway Trail. Mr. Carter is requesting several changes to the original offer approved by the Town Council.

Mayor Robinette excused Councilman Joe Rankin at 6:45 p.m.

After discussion the consensus of the Council was to have Greg Richardson advise Mr. Carter that the original offer would stand and the Council would not approve his additional request.

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion to adjourn at 7:00 PM was made by Carrie Bailey, seconded by Greg Richardson with unanimous vote.

Jim Robinette, Mayor

Lesley Dellinger, Town Clerk