

TOWN OF COATS  
Board of Commissioners  
November 14, 2019  
**OFFICIAL MINUTES**

**I. ABSTRACT:**

A scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners held on November 14, 2019 in the Board of Commissioners' Meeting Room at Coats Town Hall.

**II. ROLL CALL:**

Mayor Chris Coats, Mayor Pro-Tem Jerry Beasley, Commissioner J C Allen, Commissioner Allen Mosby, Commissioner John Raynor and Commissioner Bob Hedrick were present.

Attorney Alton Bain was present.

**III. CALL TO ORDER:**

A quorum being present, Mayor Coats called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Coats delivered the invocation and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**RESOLVED**, to approve Agenda.

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER JOHN RAYNOR: SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY  
APPROVED, AYES (5), MAYOR PRO-TEM JERRY BEASLEY, COMMISSIONERS HEDRICK, ALLEN,  
MOSBY AND RAYNOR  
NOES (0)**

**IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

**RESOLVED**, to approve Consent Agenda.

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER BOB HEDRICK: SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER JOHN RAYNOR  
APPROVED, AYES (5), MAYOR PRO-TEM JERRY BEASLEY, COMMISSIONERS HEDRICK, ALLEN,  
MOSBY AND RAYNOR  
NOES (0)**

**V. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION:**

A. 2018-2019 Audit Presentation – Preston Douglas & Associates

Lee Grissom presented the 2018-2019 Audit report showing an increase to the fund balance. Government activities net change showed an increase of one hundred ninety six thousand three hundred and two dollars (196,302). Net change in the proprietary fund showed an increase of sixty five thousand three hundred seventy one (65,371).

Mr. Grissom pointed out some of the miscellaneous revenues as surplus real property, FEMA reimbursement and delinquent tax properties. The unassigned reserved amount is up to 83.79% which is an increase from last year with tax collections with a high percentage again this year. Mr. Grissom stated that there is an overall positive operating results for the Town. (Reference #1)

**VI. NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Street Closures – Christmas Parade

Nick Holcomb Town Manager presented the street closures for the Christmas Parade and Christmas on Main for December 5, 2019. (Reference #2)

**RESOLVED**, to approve street closures as presented.

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY: SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER JOHN RAYNOR  
APPROVED, AYES (5), MAYOR PRO-TEM JERRY BEASLEY, COMMISSIONERS HEDRICK, ALLEN,  
MOSBY AND RAYNOR  
NOES (0)**

B. Cemetery Plots

Nick Holcomb Town Manager informed the Board of a cemetery plot purchased by Julian Tovor, plot 220 C.  
(Reference #3)

**RESOLVED**, to approve cemetery plot 220 C.

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY: SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER BOB HEDRICK  
APPROVED, AYES (5), MAYOR PRO-TEM JERRY BEASLEY, COMMISSIONERS HEDRICK, ALLEN,  
MOSBY AND RAYNOR  
NOES (0)**

**VII. MANAGER & COMMITTEE REPORT:**

Jeremy Hall Chief of Police presented his stats for October 10 – 14, 2019.(Reference #4)  
Chief Hall informed the Board of the following:

1. Patrol car delivered and equipment is being installed.
2. Resignation notice from Officer Miller
3. Maintaining vehicles by hours, not mileage for better control
4. Educational class for Chief Hall and Captain Storicks in Concord

*Mayor Pro-Tem Jerry Beasley questioned how the use of office space is working out for Agent Register with State Financial Crimes Division.*

Chief Hall informed the Board that Agent Register has been working on a big case and hasn't been in the office lately, but the arrangement is working well.

Mike Collins Recreation Director informed the Board of the following:

1. Softball finished
2. 10 teams ready for next season for softball – Adult
3. Adults asking for volleyball teams
4. Exercise equipment is in place at the park

*Mayor Pro-Tem Jerry Beasley stated that two residents have already commented favorably for the exercise equipment.*

Teresa Brown Library Director presented her October report and informed the Board that Margaret House has decided to step down from the Library Board of Trustees. **(Reference # 5)**

Rodney Pleasant Public Works Director presented his October report to the Board and updated the status on the water lines on North Orange Street. Mr. Pleasant is working with Harnett County to hook into their 12 inch pipe and will update the Board again in December. **(Reference #6)**

*Commissioner J C Allen questioned who's responsibility to repair Orange Street?*

Mr. Pleasant stated that the contractor for the project will repair the street.

Nick Holcomb Town Manager updated the Board on the Downtown Project showing Exhibit "1", "A", "B". Mr. Holcomb pointed out 20 parking spaces, flag poles up front on Main Street. Mr. Holcomb informed the Board concerning the access easement which is privately own by Durane Currin. Mr. Holcomb stated that he will discuss the easement with Mr. Currin. Bruce Martin General Contractor will assist the Town with a completion of the plans hopefully in February 2020 and work to begin as weather permits. **(Reference # 7)**

Discussion among the Board was the area of the drop box, height of the stage, handicap ramp and parking spaces for the staff.

Mr. Holcomb suggested having a meeting to update the new Commissioners that will take their oath on December 12, 2019. Meeting will be scheduled for January 2020. Mr. Holcomb informed the Board of the certified election results on December 1, 2019 which at that time the Board will address any zoning and/or amendments that will be needed. Mr. Holcomb confirmed the Board of Adjustment meeting for November 26, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Raynor and Mosby serve on the Board of Adjustment.

#### **VIII. PUBLIC FORUM:**

Mayor Coats open Public Forum hearing none Public Forum was closed.

**IX. CLOSED SESSION:**

A. N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(1) – Approve Closed Session Minutes

Mayor Coats asked to go into Closed Session at 8:01 p.m.

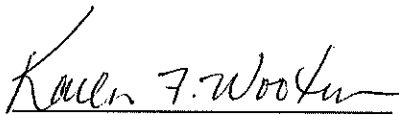
Board of Commissioners returned to Open Session at 8:07 p.m.

**X. ADJOURN:**

RESOLVED, to approve adjourn meeting.

**MOTION BY: COMMISSIONER ALLEN MOSBY: SECOND BY: COMMISSIONER JOHN RAYNOR  
APPROVED, AYES (5), MAYOR PRO-TEM JERRY BEASLEY, COMMISSIONERS HEDRICK, ALLEN, MOSBY  
AND RAYNOR  
NOES (0)**

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.



Karen F. Wooten, Town Clerk



Chris Coats, Mayor