

Minutes May 8, 2023

The Creswell Town Board of Commissioners met on Monday at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Edwin Ray Blount, Commissioner/Mayor Pro Tem Ronald Ambrose, Commissioner Joel Harris, Commissioner Brenda Logan and Commissioner Syble Spruill.

Commissioner Ambrose provided the invocation.

Commissioner Spruill led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Spruill moved to approve the minutes and waive the reading of the April meeting(s). Commissioner Logan seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The finance summary was presented to the board by the clerk and accepted. Commissioner Ambrose moved to accept the proposed budget amendment presented by the clerk. Commissioner Harris seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.


Unfinished Business:

- Mayor informed the board that he had reached out to the Department of Transportation in regards to painting the lines on Main Street but has not heard back from them.
- One bench has been installed in front of the coffee shop and the other is ready to be installed as soon as Commissioner Harris communicates with Barnyard Betsy's owner.

New Business:

- The clerk mentioned to the board that the town would need to hold a public hearing next month to discuss and receive public comments on Town of Creswell Land Use Plan. In order for Creswell to become compliant with NCGS, Chapter 160D they will need to pass an ordinance adopting the County's land use plan before the deadline of July 1, 2023.
- Commissioner Spruill informed the board that she felt the town needs to clean some of the ditches that are stopped up with debris before hurricane season gets here. Ryan Swain, Water and Wastewater Superintendent, suggested renting an excavator to do the ditch clean out work. The clerk informed the board that she felt Powell Bill money would pay for the excavator since it was town streets. Commissioner Spruill moved for the town to rent an excavator to clean out the ditches in town that need to be cleaned out. Commissioner Logan seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Ryan Swain mentioned to the board of a situation where two property owners are attached to one septic tank. The previous owner had the septic system installed like that because of owning both properties. Recently, the properties were sold to two different owners. Ryan informed the board that it is a problem because if one shuts the water off the other will have septic back up. The board agreed that it needs to be fixed and that it should have never been installed like that from the beginning. The board agreed to install a septic system at 405 S 6th Street to fix an existing problem.
- Ryan Swain asked the board when Pocosin Charter School was going to move the gate on Leigh Street so that the town can get to their wells? The board agreed for the Mayor to send a letter to the Pocosin Charter School asking for the gate to be removed.

After no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.


Edwin R. Blount, Mayor


Penny Chapman, Town Clerk

(SEAL)




**TOWN OF CRESWELL
PROPOSED BUDGET AMENDMENT
May 8, 2023**

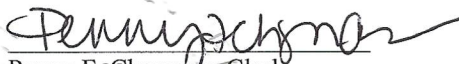
Water Fund
BA#5

Item	Item Description	Increase	Decrease
Maintenance	To balance account	1,614.80	
Contingency	Transfer funds to accounts		1,614.80

JUSTICIATION: Requesting money transfer from Contingency to accounts to balance the budget.


Edwin Ray Blount, Mayor

(SEAL)


Penny F. Chapman, Clerk

