

## Minutes November 13, 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 Logan provided the invocation.

Commissioner Spruill led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

The finance summary was presented to the board by the clerk and accepted.

### New Business:

-Lowell Taylor, CPA for the town, presented the fiscal year 2022-2023 audit to the board. Mr. Taylor informed the board that the town got a clean audit report for the year. Mr. Taylor went over each material weakness and all other matters involving internal control that are opportunities for strengthening internal controls and operating efficiency that came to their attention during the audit. \*A copy of the financial statements is in the town office for the public to view.

-The clerk presented to the board a generator maintenance agreement for both generators. Commissioner Logan moved to accept the generator maintenance agreement for both generators. Commissioner Harris seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

-Commissioner Harris moved for the clerk to order a white board/easel for the town meeting room. Commissioner Ambrose seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

-The Town Christmas Dinner is Tuesday, December 5 at 6 p.m. at the Creswell Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

-The Creswell Christmas Parade is on Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m.

-Commissioner Harris mentioned to the board that he had received several complaints that the north end of Seventh Street needs speed bumps. Commissioner Logan felt that the east end of Palmetta Street also needs speed bumps. Commissioner Harris will have prices and plan for next meeting to present to the board.

-Commissioner Ambrose moved to change the location of the December meeting to a bigger place to allow more space for swearing in the new Mayor and Commissioners. Commissioner Spruill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The clerk will check into the school multipurpose room and if not available, the Ruritan Building.


Commissioner Harris moved to go into executive session according to NCGS §143-318.11(a)(6) (personnel). Commissioner Ambrose seconded the motion carried unanimously.

The Mayor declared the executive session closed.


Commissioner Logan moved to except the bonus schedule proposed by the board. Commissioner Spruill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Commissioner Ambrose made a motion to amend the employee handbook that full-time employees have to maintain 37.5 hours a week to be considered full-time employees.

After no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

  
Edwin R. Blount, Mayor

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Penny Chapman, Town Clerk