# State of Mississippi

## **Carroll County**

#### **Town of North Carrollton**

#### **MINUTES**

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, that the Regular Session for the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the Town of North Carrollton, Mississippi was held on **January 3, 2012**, to conduct the following official business.

#### **Official Attendance**

Mayor Cooper L. Misskelley - Present

Alderwoman Dianne Slocum - Present

Alderman Tom Hearn - Present

Alderman Mitchell Costilow - Present

Alderman Edward Carpenter - Present

Alderwoman Jennifer Misskelley- Marett - Not Present

Town Clerk Glynnis Taylor - Present

Water Director Galen Shumaker - Present

Account - Howard Davis - Not Present

Attorney – Webb Franklin - Not Present

### **Public Attendee(s)**

Ms. Susie James – Reporter for the Conservative

Mr. Don Richardson

Mrs. Maxine McBride - Absent

Agenda Attendee(s)

# **Mayor Cooper L. Misskelley called the meeting to Order** at 6:30 and Alderman (Brother) Edward Carpenter opened with prayer.

- 1. The board of Aldermen and Alderwomen reviewed the minutes. Alderman, (Brother) Edward Carpenter, made the motion to approve the minutes. Alderwoman, Mrs. Dianne Slocum made the second motion. Ayes All, Nays None, Absent Alderwoman, Ms. Jennifer Marett
- 2. Mayor Misskelley read a "Thank You" note from the Carrollton / North Carrollton Parade Committee thanking the town for their monetary donation to their annual Christmas parade.
- 3. New Business discussed was the request for more speed bumps from area residents in certain areas in town. The boards decided to have the areas assessed and consult with the Maintenance Personnel regarding the said areas.
- 4. Unfinished discussed was the town board's request for a proposed ordinance regarding farm animals within the city limits. The town's attorney, Mr. Webb Franklin at the board's request proposed the

following language be adopted as the town ordinance:

The keeping of any farm or non – domesticated animal within the town limits is prohibited.

Non – domesticated animals shall be any animals not commonly known or kept as pets, either inside or outside the owner's personal dwelling.

North Carrollton resident Mr. Don Richardson addressed the board that he has no intention of building a goat pen on his property. Mr. Richardson stated that he takes pride in the town and he would not do anything to mess the town up. He said he is building a fence on his property to keep people from dumping trash on his property. He said that has been an ongoing problem for him for a long time and for the past eight years he has put time and money on his many borders of the town to try to eliminate the dumping of trash. Mr. Richardson said he would appreciate any help he could get from the board with dealing with the trash problem. Mr. Richardson said there has been some graffiti and defacing of his property that stated various sayings such as "Goat Man Go Away" etc. Mr. Richardson said that he had a suspicion of where that began and a suspicion is only good as a suspicion. Mr. Richardson said if someone had asked him he would have told us that he was not putting any goats on his property. Alderwoman Slocum said that she was told that he was going to put goats back there but apparently that is not true. After further discussion, the Mayor said a concerned citizen asked him if he address to see if we had any ordinance governing the animal situation. The Mayor said they had never said whom but the Mayor said it must have come from the same rumor that had been circulating around town. Alderwoman Slocum said that the ordinance for barn animals was passed at the last board meeting. Mayor Misskelley said that the board agreed to pass an ordinance with the attorney wording in it. The Mayor said that this wording is what the town needs. Alderwoman gave the board a hand out defining what a "Non-Domestic Animal" is defined as. After further discussion the board agreed to put the town attorney wording in the ordinance.

- 5. Alderwoman said thanks to the town personnel the Garden Club awarded the Tabernacle as the "Yard of the Month" during Christmas. Alderman (Brother) Edward Carpenter said the Town Hall was awarded 3rd place for the Christmas decorating contest.
- 6.Mayor Misskelley informed the board that our water tank-painting grant was denied. The grant for refurbishing the fireplugs is still pending at this time and we should no something later this month. Mayor Misskelley told the water director, Mr. Galen Shumaker that he needs to go further with the issue of painting the water tanks. Mayor Misskelley said that he has talked to our Engineer Mr. Shane Correro and that there are other sources he could go to regarding this issue. Mayor said he told Mr. Correo that he would convey to our water director to get in touch with Mr. Correro and set up a meeting to discuss the said matter. Mr. Shumaker said he would be mailing out a Notification to all Water Customers notifying the customers that the tanks were not painted during the required time frame. He said this was a requirement by the Mississippi State Department of Health
- 7. Also, Mr. Shumaker discussed the upcoming Mississippi Board Management Training. These classes will be for board members who have not attended the training program that is required by Mississippi Code of 1972, Section 41-26-101. The dates for the classes are Monday, January 23rd and Tuesday, January 24, 2012.
- 9. Mayor Misskelley also discussed the FEMA/MEMA funding the town received for storm damage from the flood. The Mayor said the FEMA/MEMA group informed him we had no damage. The work site page did not list specific areas where the work is to be done. The Mayor said we would have to get the Engineer to assess the paperwork and verify the locations they are talking about.
- 10. The clerk presented the financial report and the payables to the board for approval. Alderman

(Brother) Edward Carpenter made the motion to accept the financial report and the payables Alderwoman; Mrs. Dianne Slocum made the second motion. Ayes – Alderman, Mr. Tom Hearn – and Alderman, Mr. Mitchell Costilow, Absent, Alderwoman, Ms. Jennifer Marett.

The board adjourned from its regular session and Alderman (Brother) Edward Carpenter made the motion to go into an Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. Alderman, Mr. Mitchell Costilow made the second motion, Ayes – All, Nays – None, Absent - Alderwoman, Ms. Jennifer Marett