

**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 were held on **August 7, 2018** to conduct the following official business.

**Official Attendance**

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| Mayor Cooper L. Misskelley     | Absent  |
| Alderman Tom Hearn             | Present |
| Alderman Mitchell Costilow     | Present |
| Alderman Edward Carpenter      | Present |
| Alderman Christopher R. Givens | Present |
| Alderman Ken Strachan          | Present |
| Water Director Galen Shumaker  | Present |
| Town Clerk, Glynnis Taylor     | Present |
| CPA - Howard Davis             | Absent  |
| Attorney – Ryan Taylor         | Present |

**Public Attendee(s)**

Skipper Grantham- Resident of North Carrollton  
Sharon Duke – Resident of North Carrollton

**Agenda Attendee(s)**

Rio Winters– North Central Planning & Development

**Vice- Mayor Costilow called the meeting to Order** at 6:00 p.m. and Alderman Carpenter opened with prayer.

1. Vice- Mayor Costilow asked the board to approve the agenda. The agenda was amended as follows: Alderman Carpenter added Sharon Duke to Public Comment. Alderman Hearn added the use of the town's water at corner fire hydrant by the Town Hall. Alderman Strachan added the Fire Chiefs report and Alderman Costilow added the parking lot at Carrollton Food Mart Parking Lot. Alderman Chris Givens made the motion to approve the amended agenda. Alderman Hearn made the second motion. Ayes – All, Nays – None.
2. The board of Aldermen reviewed the minutes. Alderman Strachan made the motion to approve the minutes. Alderman Givens made the second motion. Ayes- All, Nays-None.
3. Public Comment was made by Skipper Grantham regarding the appearance of the Town of North Carrollton. Mr. Grantham submitted to the board, various pictures of the Town of North Carrollton. Also, Alderman Carpenter submitted pictures of overgrown tree limbs throughout the town. Mr. Grantham said that he had spoken with Alderman Carpenter a couple of weeks ago regarding limbs, etc., Mr. Grantham said on his road (Cemetery Road) there is a

lot of overgrown limbs that need trimming. These overgrown tree limbs prevent 2 cars from passing at the same time, these limbs can also causes scratches on vehicles. Mr. Grantham discussed in detail the condition of the town, he said it is the worse that it has ever looked. Overgrown limbs, ditches are a mess, grass cutting crew is not maintaining the grass as they should. There is lawn mowers, parked cars, trash throughout town and a dumpster on the main street. Also, Mr. Grantham asked does Mr. Ellis Roberts have permission to sale the items in his yard. Also, does the washing machine repair business on McCarley Road have a privilege license as well for his repair business? The clerk stated that they do not have a license. Mr. Grantham said when you enter the town you go passed one unkempt yard and pass several more unkempt yards when you go through town. Also, the dilapidated stores that businesses are conducted out of. Mr. Grantham said it is time that someone stood up and took care of the town, for the property to be maintained. The value of a person's property will not go up, the value will only go down due to the appearance of the town. The clerk said that she has mailed letters to various residents regarding certain properties in town. The clerk said that this has not helped any. The clerk said that she also has suggested that residents in their neighborhoods have clean up committees to pick up paper etc., put up privacy fences. Discussed, was the past minutes throughout the years where this has all been discussed. Alderman Givens said that we need to make public where there are certain dumpsters where Carroll County residents can dump. The clerk said that she will contact Jim Neill since he has dealt with recycling, etc. The board discussed the board to look into adopting an ordinance regarding the upkeep of property in The Town of North Carrollton. The clerk said that Chase Williams was supposed to clean the ditches out starting tomorrow. Discussed was getting quotes for the limbs that needed to be cut throughout the town. The clerk said she will get quotes from Chase Williams and Casey Carpenter for the said limb cutting project. Mr. Grantham said that he will get a copy of Greenwood's ordinance for the board to look at. Mr. Grantham said that he appreciated the board time.

4. Public Comment was made by Sharon Duke resident of North Carrollton. Ms. Duke submitted to the board an incident report at 600 Hoboken Street in North Carrollton, in reference to property damage. Type of damage was to the vehicle of Gladys's Crigler, nurse for Mrs. Avis Duke. The report said that Ms. Crigler had parked her car on the edge of the street in front of the house and a limb fell while she was inside, striking the vehicle on the front driver's side. The town's attorney requested that Ms. Crigler submit her Repair Documentation for the said incident. Ms. Duke said that she will be back at the September Board Meeting.

5. Unfinished business – Boyd Rate Increase – The Clerk said the accountant should be finished by the end of this month.

6. Also discussed was the approval for Vice- Mayor Costilow to sign the Fire Regular and Rebate Checks and documentation, when Mayor Misskelley is not available. Alderman Givens made the motion. Alderman Carpenter made the second motion.

7. Unfinished business was the 2018 HOME Rehabilitation Program Phase 1 documents. Mr. Rio Winters with North Central Planning & Development discussed the following items:

1. Signed Public meeting Minutes
2. Executed Affirmative Marketing Policy

3. Section B Certifications
4. Section C Certifications
5. Section F Conflict of Interest Certification
6. Self-Certification Chief Executive Office's Certification
7. Executed Code of Standards of Conduct Resolution
8. Executed Resolution to Apply
9. Professional Services(Administration) Selection
10. HUD 2880
11. Completed and signed Funding Certification Form
12. Five (5) Supportive Services Forms

After discussion the board approved for Mayor or Vice – Mayor to sign and additional or revised documentations to complete application. The Type of Application selected to be submitted was the 60% Reconstruction / 40% Rehabilitation. Alderman Carpenter made the motion for the Phase I documentation and the selection type of application. Alderman Givens made the second motion, Ayes – All, Nays – None

8. New business discussed was the renewal of the town sign for J.Z. George High School. Cost of renewal of sign -\$100.00. Alderman Givens made the motion to renew the sign. Alderman Strachan made the second motion. Ayes- All, Nays – None
9. Other new business discussed was the Small Municipality Limited Population Grant Notice. The project limit is \$150,000.00 with a 10% match form the town. The application deadline submission date is August 21, 2018. After further discussion, no motion was made to apply for the said grant.
10. Alderman Hearn discussed the businesses that were getting water from the towns fire hydrant adjacent to City Hall, the clerk said that she does bill the companies that she is aware of if they get water. However, the clerk said that she can't control companies that are getting water before and after business hours that have not come in the office to let her know. The clerk suggested posting a sign adjacent to the town hall that states "to see the town clerk "before getting any water. Alderman Givens made the motion to purchase the sign, Alderman Strachan made the second motion. Ayes- All, Nays – None
11. Alderman Costilow discussed the pot holes in the parking area at the Carrollton Food Mart. After further discussion the board said the town could not repair the parking lot due to the area not being town property.

12. New business discussed was the request from the Fire Department for both town's to pay for repairs with the Bush Truck-26, the truck is now out of service until replacement of tires can be done. Also front brake rotors and brakes are in need of repair. The total for repairs is \$ 1,050.00. Also, (Engine – 20) has an air brake leak in the sensor that needs to be repaired. Total cost for sensor repair is \$50.00. After further discussion Alderman Strachan made the motion to do the repairs and split the cost of \$1100.00 between both towns. Alderman Givens made the second motion. Ayes – All Nays - None

13. Reports:

- Sales Tax down
- Town Flag – Alderman Strachan presented to the board a design and proposal for a flag for The Town of North Carrollton. The template of the flag had the State Seal of Mississippi in the upper corner and at the bottom of the flag - “The Town of North Carrollton “and the EST. Date of 1899 Alderman Strachan recommended the board to order 2 flags, one will be displayed at the town's well, below the current U.S. Flag and the other flag will be an indoor flag to be displayed in the board room. Alderman Costilow will be making a stand for the flag to match the other two flag poles that are in the board room. The cost will be \$310.00 for 2 flags. The flag in the board room and also be used for official functions such as The MML Meetings, parades etc. after further discussion Alderman Givens made the motion to proceed with the proposal. Alderman Carpenter made the second motion. Ayes- All, Nays – None
- Alderman Ken Strachan presented to the board a RESOLUTION declaring that the public infrastructure in Mississippi Municipalities is generally in need of maintenance and improvement as a result of a decline in revenue available to municipalities and increased federal unfunded mandates: Encouraging the Mississippi Legislature to acknowledge that Mississippi Municipalities need assistance in maintaining quality public infrastructure; and requesting that the Mississippi Legislature take action in any special session to be called in the coming weeks to assist Mississippi Municipalities in improving and maintain their public infrastructure by diverting portion of the use tax/internet sales thereby benefiting their citizens, the state economy and the entire State of Mississippi. North Carrollton Mayor and the Board of Alderman encourage the Mississippi Legislature to assist Mississippi municipalities in an effort to “Balance the Scales with Internet Sales” and to treat internet sales tax as the traditional; sales tax and divert at least 18.5% back to the cities based on the point of delivery of products sold. Alderman Strachan made the motion to pass the Resolution. Alderman Givens made the second motion. Ayes- All , Nays - None
- Alderman Strachan gave report on an Entergy Grant application that he has been working on. The grant was for 16 new flags, spinner poles, brackets and accessories. After further discussion Alderman Givens made the motion to submit the said grant. Alderman Carpenter made the second motion. Ayes- All, Nays -None

- On behalf of CNCVFD Chief Andy Vining, Alderman Ken Strachan gave the Fire Department's Monthly Activity Report which included Fire Calls, Fire Department Training and other activity.
- Alderman Strachan also informed the board that he has been appointed to the 2018-2019 Mississippi Municipal League Board of Directors. The board has three regularly scheduled meeting each year as stipulated in the MML Bylaws. Fall, Winter and Summer Meetings.
- Alderman Strachan presented to the board an official print of the President's Trump Proclamation on the Death of Billy Grantham. Alderman Strachan said that the originals are framed and in the board room.

Alderman Carpenter made the motion to accept the financial report and to pay the payables. Alderman Strachan made the second motion. Ayes- All, Nays – None

Therefore being no further business, Alderman Givens made the motion to adjourn. Alderman Strachan made the second motion.

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Mayor

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Clerk