

**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 **March 5, 2019** to conduct the following official business.

Official Attendance

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

Public Attendee(s)

None

Agenda Attendee(s)

Chris Pope- North Central Planning & Development
Jim Neill – Supervisor, Carroll Beat 1

Mayor Strachan called the meeting to Order at 6:00 p.m. and Alderman Carpenter opened with prayer.

1. Mayor Strachan asked the board to approve the agenda. Alderman Givens added under new business – Public Dump sites in Carrollton County. Alderman Sheppard made the motion to approve the amended agenda. Alderman Givens made the second motion. Ayes – All, Nays – None.

2. The board of Aldermen reviewed the minutes. After some clarification of the minutes regarding the grass proposals. Alderman Givens made the motion to approve the minutes. Alderman Carpenter made the second motion. Ayes- All, Nays-None.

3. Public Comment was made on behalf of fire Chief Andy Vining by Mayor Strachan. Monthly Activity Report for March 2019. There were a total of 8 Calls.

Fire Calls:

1-Wildland Fire, 1-Vehicle Fire, 1-Water Rescue, 1-False Fire Alarm, 2-Structure Fire Assist to Vaiden VFD, 1-Grass Fire and 1-Structural Fire.

Training:

2 CNCVFD firefighters, Sargent Jeff Franklin and Firefighter Tracy Robertson were awarded the Firefighter-1001 Volunteer Certification from the Mississippi State Fire Academy. They both worked very hard for what they've earned and as their Chief, I cannot be any more proud for their willingness to put forth the time and effort to learn more about the job at hand. Firemen conducted regular training on Fire Engine Operation and Maintenance on all equipment.

4. Unfinished Business – Boyd Rate Increase. Town Clerk said that Mike McCool called and said the draft looked good. When the final Intent is filed all 2018 financial documentation to be included as well. Howard Davis is in the process of getting the documentation.
5. New business discussed was the advertisement for proposals for engineering services for a new CDBG Grant for 2019. Chris Pope with North Central Planning & Development opened the submitted proposal. Only one proposal was submitted by Willis Engineering. 1st Item discussed, was the Basis FOR SELECTION OF NCPDD FOR CDBG PROJECT APPLICATION, ADMISTRATION AND CLOSEOUT. Alderman Givens made the motion for The Town of North Carrollton to select, North Central Planning and Development District, Inc. to provide all necessary application, program management, and administration services in connection with the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program for the 2019 Mississippi Development Authority funding cycle. Alderman carpenter made the second motion. Ayes- All, Nays – None. The board was given a copy of the proposal and a Summary Tab Sheet for scoring for the selection of Architect/Engineer or Consultant and Negotion of Professional Services Contract. The board completed their score sheets and Mr. Pope totaled the sheets. Mr. Pope said that he will submit the said documentation to John Wiggers with NCPDD to be submitted.
6. Mayor Strachan said that he received a letter for Ms. Wendolyn Davis – Teacher /Sponsor – Law and Public Safety I-II Corrections/ Emergency Services. Ms. Davis requested to have a bake sale/garage sale to help fund a trip for a Forensic Competition on April 9- 10th, 2019 in Jackson, MS. The sale will be on April 15th, 2019 form 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. The sale will be on the corner of George and Main Street. Alderwoman Sheppard made the motion for the bake sale. Alderman Carpenter made the second motion. Ayes – All, Nays – None
7. New business discussed was a quick overview of constructing of a new trail near Big Sand Creek. Chis Pope discussed an upcoming grant from The Mississippi of Wildlife Fisheries and Parks. This grant will pay up to 80% of the project cost. The grant has a 20% cash and/or in-kind match. Maximum grant size is \$120,000. Based on this amount is about \$18,000.00 of cash. Some of the engineering cost is not included in the cash and/in-kind money. Applications are due by March 31, 2019. This grant is also a reimbursement grant. Supervisor Jim Neill presented to the board a couple project ideas. Mr. Neill said that new bridge is going to about a \$5 million dollar project for both towns and the said area. The bridge will be wider, there will be walking space on both sides. There will be 2 pull off lanes. Supervisor Neil said that this would be a good time to get some in fracture around the Tabernacle which would include a concrete pad with restrooms, picnic tables, benches, lights etc. Mr. Neill said he has spoken with officials from both towns, county etc. Mr. Neill presented a sketch from Willis Engineering that Shane Correro did. Drawing was just an idea that can be tweaked. Mr., Neill said that they will probably get an engineers from Mississippi State that will rendered an actual plan of the said project. Mr. Neill said while they were moving all of the water lines etc., is the ideal time for this said project. There is 2.2 acres in the said area that is owned by the area churches. With the time-frame being as it is, the town needs to act upon this as quick as possible while the grant is available. After further discussion the Town of North Carrollton Mayor and Board of Alderman authorized Chris Pope with North Central Planning and Development District to apply for grant funds on the town’s behalf is an amount not to exceed \$120,000. Thereupon Alderman Sheppard offered and moved the adoption of the said RESOLUTION. Alderman Givens seconded the motion to adopt the foregoing Resolution. Ayes – All, Nays – None.
8. Alderman Givens gave a report on Dumping Sites in Carroll County. Beat 1- Dumping Site (McCarley, MS). There is a Dumping Site (Coila, MS). Alderman Givens also gave a handout for Rules for Dumping for the said sites. Alderman Givens just wanted to make the public aware of the said sites so the community will know.

9. Mayor Strachan requested that the board make a motion to record in the minute book the recently signed PROCLAMATION OF EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY that the Town of North Carrollton Board and the Carroll County Board of Supervisors signed of February 22, 2019. Alderman Carpenter made the motion, Alderman Givens made the second motion. Ayes- All, Nays None

Mayors Report

Mayor Strachan reported that on Tuesday, February 12, 2019 the worker that came to do community service work through Carroll County Justice Court finished his hours. This included picking up litter through the town, cleaning at city hall, and sweeping the streets and sidewalks. Mayor Strachan also had him to plant the rest of the daffodils in the park by the rail road tracks.

Mayor Strachan reported that on Wednesday, February 20, 2019 he attended the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) levee analysis and mapping procedures meeting. This was held at the Holmes County Emergency Management office in Tchula. The Abiaca Creek Levee System has been selected to be restudied using the LAMP process. The Levee Partnership Team for Carroll County is Shane Corro, floodplain administrator/Willis Engineering, Carroll County Board of Supervisors President Rickey Corley, and Mayor Strachan

Mayor Strachan said that he had talked to Carroll County MDOT regarding the traffic and parking safety issues on Main Street and they advised to put up a no parking sign.

Mayor Strachan reported that he had attended the Earthquake meeting in Batesville. This was an overview on objectives, ground truth, and Mississippi National Guard participation in the event of an earthquake.

Mayor Strachan reported that he was asked to be a member of the Marshall Elementary School Health Council and Mayor Strachan said he attended the first meeting on Monday, February 25, 2019 in the Marshall Elementary School library. Mayor Strachan said the meeting was about providing a coordinated approach to school health and the meeting was presented by Mandy Whitfield.

Mayor Strachan reported that he and City Clerk Glynnis Taylor on Friday, February 8, 2019 attended the reception for Sandy Williams, the new city clerk for the town of Carrollton. Mayor Strachan reported that he also attended on Sunday, February 24, 2019 the retirement reception for Linda McGregor, the longtime city clerk of Carrollton.

Mayor Strachan said that Casey Carpenter had completed the part of the 2019 Drainage Improvement Phase II for East Alley and Marshall Road. Mayor Strachan said he checked the streets after rains and the drainage was good. Mayor Strachan said as soon as the weather dries up Casey will begin the area by the Gin up the railroad tracks.

Mayor Strachan said that Thomas Auction came and got the backhoe Friday, March 1, 2019.

Mayor Strachan presented the following letter of support of North Central Planning and Development District's grant proposal to The Delta Workforce Development Area. On a motion by Alderman Givens and Second by Alderman Hearn, Ayes – All, Nays – None

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

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

Mayor

Clerk