

**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 **May 2, 2019** to conduct the following official business.

Official Attendance

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

Attendees

Carrollton Mayor Pam Lee, State Senator Lydia Chassaniol, Greenwood Convention/ Visitor Bureau Director Danielle Cox Morgan, Vaiden City Clerk Sonya Stokes Greenleaf, and Carroll County Beat 1 Supervisor Jim Neill

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

Agenda

Alderman Costilow made the addition of CNCVFD Camper and Trailer, Alderman Sheppard made the addition of Betty Van Meter property.

Motion: Sheppard

Second: Carpenter

All in favor

Minutes

Motion Carpenter

Second: Costilow

All in favor

Mayor Strachan presented the CNCVFD Monthly Report from CNCVFD Chief Jake Hurst. Public comment was made on behalf of CNCVFD Chief Jake Hurst.

Carrollton/North Carrollton Volunteer Fire Dept.
Activity Report

Monthly

Total Fire Calls: 3

Fire Calls:

1-Barn FIRE (April 6th), 1-Car Fire (April 20th), 1-Hay Bale Fire (April 28th)

Training:

Members performed routine maintenance on all apparatuses and reviewed vehicle operation training.

Senator Chassaniol addressed the board on the North Carrollton Tourism bill that passed the legislature during the 2019 session. She also discussed the Motion Picture Act that also passed the 2019 legislative session. Senator Chassaniol said that discussed what the tourism tax money can be spent for and can't be spent for. She said that the opportunities for tourism in our area are greatly improved by the new legislation. Both the movie bill to allow advertising funds to increase from the diversion of sales tax from hotels and restaurants will untimely benefit the tourism industry all over the state. Greenwood Convention/ Visitor Bureau Director Danielle Cox Morgan addressed the board about the benefits of tourism and economic development. Vaiden City Clerk Sonya Stokes Greenleaf addressed the board on the procedures of implementing the tourism tax. She gave a packet to Mayor Strachan and Mayor Lee of the resolutions that will need to be completed by each town. Mayor Strachan said that it would be good for both Carrollton and North Carrollton to hold the election on the same day for the tourism proposal.

Beat 1 Supervisor Jim Neill reported that the land for the park at the tabernacle was coming along good and attorney Ryan Taylor had been working on the deed. He also said that Carroll County was doing a lot of good work and he looked forward to continuing efforts with the county and towns.

Mayor Strachan reported to the board that Town CPA Howard Davis had submitted the paper work last Friday and Town Clerk, Glynnis Taylor will take the information from Howard and put on the data performance and nonperformance sheets to send to the Public Service Commission.

Mayor Strachan told the board that with the CNCVFD camper and trailer Town Attorney Ryan Taylor was looking to see how we could legally sale each trailer. Mayor Strachan reminded the board that the note at Peoples Bank will be due in August 2019.

Alderman Sheppard said that Betty Van Meter said that her property by the railroad track would be available for the town to use. Mayor Strachan said that her property could be included and used for the tourism proposals once the town acquired the land.

Mayor's report:

Mayor Strachan reported that the manhole covers on Winona Road were complete. Mayor Strachan said that he along with Carroll County Beat 1 Supervisor Jim Neill and Water Operator Galen Shumaker worked out a time to place the manhole covers and they were all completed with asphalt in the same morning.

Mayor Strachan reported that the leak had been repaired on East Alley Street; it was done the Monday after Easter while J.Z. George was closed. Mayor Strachan said that the town sent a press release to the news media to get the word out about the repair.

Mayor Strachan reported that he met with the Department of Human Services and Red Cross in Vaiden on Friday, April 19, 2019. Mayor Strachan said that the meeting was concerning the Carroll County Emergency Support Function. Mayor Strachan said that J.Z. George is designated as a Red Cross management facility. Mayor Strachan

said that the total in case of an evacuation is 558 people, and 279 people for an evacuation shelter.

Mayor Strachan reported that he had repainted the yellow street lines on Main Street and George Street.

Mayor Strachan said that he met with Donnie Cleveland on Monday, April 29, 2019 and they measured for the grates on at the corner of Main Street and by the boardroom. Mayor Strachan said he will pick the grates from Leflore Steel after they are done.

Mayor Strachan said that he and Wayne Carpenter had been working with someone sent from Carroll County Justice Court to do work for the town for a total of (10) days. Mayor Strachan said he spent Tuesday with him cleaning ditches and Wayne Carpenter had also this week picking up limbs, and planting flowers.

Mayor Strachan said that he along with Carrollton Mayor Pam Lee, Beat 4 Supervisor Claude Fluker, Beat 1 Election Commissioner April Neill, and State Senators Lydia Chassaniol attended the MEMA 4 Kids program at Carroll Academy on precautions to take during severe weather. Mayor Strachan said that the program was put on by the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency and Marshall Elementary School was testing that day, and there will be a later date. Mayor Strachan showed the board the activities book that was presented to each student that participated.

Mayor Strachan said that he talked to Tribble Electric about the weather siren not rotating. Jason Tribble came and replaced a fuse, Mayor Strachan said that it was observed on the Wednesday test of the siren and was working and rotating as it should.

Mayor Strachan presented the sewer forms for the CDBG application that need to be turned in to city hall by Tuesday, May 6, 2019. Mayor Strachan said that Clerk Glynnis Taylor and assistant clerk Hazel Hearn had did a great job in getting many completed. Mayor Strachan presented a print out of sewer customers with addresses that need to be filled out. Mayor Strachan divided up the list for the alderman and himself to take to the customers.

Mayor Strachan presented and read the letter from the Mississippi Rating Bureau Field Rating Representative Richard Parham. Mayor Strachan said that both towns were in good standing with a good rating. Mayor Strachan said that he and then CNCVFD Chief Andy Vining had met with Mr. Parham at the fire station and had a good thorough meeting. Mayor Strachan asked for the letter to be recorded in the minutes on a motion by Alderman Sheppard and Second by Alderman Costilow and all in favor.

Mayor Strachan presented a letter to the board from the Mississippi Municipal League that he had met the qualifications required to graduate as a Basic Municipal Official. Mayor Strachan had completed sixty hours of municipal education. Mayor Strachan asked for the letter to be recorded in the minutes, Motion: Alderman Sheppard, Second Alderman Givens.

Mayor Strachan presented the financial reports and after discussion it was decided that all bills to be paid were the ones that had amounts listed. Mayor Strachan said that with the meeting early in the month there were some that we had not received. All that had been received were listed on the docket of claims.

Motion: Carpenter - Second: Tom Hearn – All in Favor

Motion to Adjourn: Givens Second: Carpenter

All in favor

Mayor

Clerk

