

**ERWIN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES
MAY 1, 2008
REGULAR MEETING
ERWIN, NORTH CAROLINA**

The Board of Commissioners for the Town of Erwin with Mayor Patsy Carson presiding, held its regular meeting in the Town Hall on Thursday, May 1, 2008 at 7:00 P. M. in Erwin, North Carolina.

Board members present were Commissioners Norma Ennis, Randy Baker, Mark Whitman, William Corbett and Michael West.

Town Manager Alan Thornton, Town Clerk Pam Addison and Town Attorney Mac Hunter were present.

Mayor Patsy Carson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P. M.

Mayor Carson asked that everyone continue to remember Commissioner W.N. Porter. Commissioner Porter is at Betsy Johnson Hospital and is very ill.

Commissioner West gave the invocation.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

Commissioner Whitman made a motion to add **Consent Item (B)** Town of Erwin Resolution Recognizing Appreciation for Town Manager M. Alan Thornton. Commissioner Corbett seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously.

Commissioner Baker made a motion to add **Consent Item (C)** 07-0805 Budget Amendment and add **Item 6 (E) New Business** North Carolina DOT Town of Erwin Mowing Agreement. Commissioner Whitman seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously.

CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioner Baker made a motion to approve Items **(A)** Approval of Minutes for 4/03/08 Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting; **(B)** Town of Erwin Resolution Recognizing Appreciation for Town Manager M. Alan Thornton. **(C)** 07-0805 Budget Amendment. Commissioner West seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously.

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SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF CHIEF THOMAS E. CHANDLER

Mayor Carson presented Retired Chief Thomas E. Chandler a Resolution awarding him his Badge and gun upon retirement as of April 30, 2008.

Chief Chandler said he will be moving back to his home town of Mount Airy, North Carolina. Chief Chandler thanked the Town of Erwin and said The Erwin Police Department is the best in Harnett County.

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Harnett County's Sheriff Rollins presented Chief Chandler a token of thanks for this service and wished him the best of health and best wishes in whatever endeavor he takes.

During the meeting Chief Chandler was given the opportunity to sign off his dispatch radio for the final time.

MEETING RECESSED FOR RECEPTION

Commissioner Whitman made a motion to recess at 7:10 P. M. and was seconded by Commissioner Ennis. The Board voted unanimously.

Everyone gathered in the lobby for a reception in honor of retiring Chief Thomas E. Chandler.

RECONVENED

Commissioner Ennis made a motion to reconvene at 7:30 P. M. and was seconded by Commissioner Corbett. The Board voted unanimously.

Mayor Carson stated the Board will not be able to hold a Public Hearing for the Day Care Application located at 701 East H Street since there were no changes made in the new application.

PUBLIC HEARING**TOWN OF ERWIN CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION # CU08-02**

Commissioner Baker made a motion to open a Public Hearing at 7:31 pm for Town of Erwin Conditional Use Permit Application # CU08-02 and was seconded by Commissioner Ennis. The Board voted unanimously.

Joyce Raynor, applicant submitted a conditional use application seeking a conditional use permit to operate a garage at 2300 Dunn Erwin Road Bldg B. The property at 2300 Dunn Erwin Rd is located in B-2 zoned area.

All adjacent property owners were notified, property was posted, and the Public Hearing was advertised two consecutive weeks in a local newspaper. The Planning Board made a favorable recommendation with conditions that proper signage is posted to direct location for customer parking in rear and location of handicap parking spaces.

Mayor Carson requested that anyone wanting to speak in favor of Town of Erwin Conditional Use Permit Application #CU 08-02 for the establishment of a garage on the property located at 2300 Dunn Erwin Road Bldg B to come forward, take the oath, state their name and address for the record prior to beginning presentation of statement.

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John William Raynor, Jr. 2200 Dunn Erwin Rd, Dunn NC came forward and took the oath. Mr. Raynor stated he is requesting a conditional use permit to operate a garage at 2300 Dunn Erwin Rd. Mr. Raynor said the business will operate 8:00 am – 5:00 pm Monday -Friday.

Mayor Carson requested that anyone wanting to speak against Town of Erwin Conditional Use Permit Application #CU 08-02 for the establishment of a garage on the property located at 2300 Dunn Erwin Rd, Dunn NC to come forward, take the oath, state their name and address for the record prior to beginning presentation of statement.

No-one came forward.

Commissioner Ennis made a motion to close Public Hearing at 7:38 pm for Town of Erwin Conditional Use Permit Application # CU08-02 and was seconded by Commissioner Corbett. The Board voted unanimously.

MUNICIPAL ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE

Commissioner Baker made a motion to open a Public Hearing at 7:39 pm for Town of Erwin Municipal Animal Control Ordinance and was seconded by Commissioner Whitman. The Board voted unanimously.

Mayor Carson requested that anyone wanting to speak in favor of Town of Erwin Municipal Animal Control Ordinance to come forward, take the oath, state their name and address for the record prior to beginning presentation of statement.

No-one came forward.

Mayor Carson requested that anyone wanting to speak against Town of Erwin Municipal Animal Control Ordinance to come forward, take the oath, state their name and address for the record prior to beginning presentation of statement.

No-one came forward.

Commissioner Whitman made a motion to close a Public Hearing at 7:43 pm for Town of Erwin Municipal Animal Control Ordinance and was seconded by Commissioner Baker. The Board voted unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS**CONSIDERATION OF TOWN OF ERWIN CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT
APPLICATION #CU08-02**

Commissioner Baker made a motion to approve Conditional Use Permit Application #CU08-02 to operate a garage at 2300 Dunn Erwin Rd. under the condition that signs are posted to direct customer parking in rear and parking for handicap. Commissioner Ennis seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously.

MINUTES OF MAY 1, 2008 CONTINUED**CONSIDERATION OF MUNICIPAL ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE & INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT**

Commissioner Ennis made a motion to adopt the Municipal Animal Control Ordinance & Interlocal Agreement with the County of Harnett and was seconded by Commissioner Corbett. The Board voted unanimously.

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CONSIDERATION OF TOWN OF ERWIN PARTICIPATION IN FY 2008 SCATTERED SITE HOUSING PROGRAM

The Community Development Block Grant has funds available to help those who qualify based on need to receive funds for home renovation. The County of Harnett will be taking applications and choosing the applicants. Erwin residents may pick up applications at Erwin Town Hall. There were three homes in Erwin who received the grants last year.

Commissioner Baker made a motion to participate in the FY 2008 Scattered Site Housing Program and was seconded by Commissioner Ennis. The Board voted unanimously.

DISCUSSION OF PARTF SIGNATORY AUTHORITY

Commissioner Baker made a motion to appoint Pamela S. Addison, Town Clerk/Assistant Finance Officer as the delegate of PARTF Signatory Authority and Commissioner Ennis seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT-TOWN OF ERWIN: MOWING

Commissioner Whitman made a motion to approve the Mowing Agreement with the Department of Transportation and was seconded by Commissioner Ennis. The Board voted unanimously.

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OTHER BUSINESS

Town Manager/Budget Officer Thornton presented the Board of Commissioner the **FY 08/09 Proposed Budget**.

Commissioner Baker made a motion to schedule a **Budget Work Session** Monday, May 12, 2008 at 6:00 PM. Commissioner Ennis seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously.

Inter Department Budget Amendments were presented for Boards review.

MINUTES OF MAY 1, 2008 CONTINUED

The Board of Commissioners was encouraged to contact Legislators concerning the Municipal Annexation Law.

Everyone was invited to come out for the Grand Opening of the New River Park May 3rd.

RFP's for the search of a new auditor were mailed for the FY 07/08 audit.

PARTF Plans are available in the Managers Office for review.

Harnett Regional Agricultural Fair is May 20th at 6:00 PM.
RSVP before May 12th.

Town Hall Day is June 4th, 2008.

NC Rural Center subsidizes a grant With NC Steps and the Town of Erwin Application's was one of the finalists for a demonstration site. The NC Steps program would provide assistant and some funding if selected for renovations to our downtown. Someone from the NC Step program will be visiting soon to see the good, bad and ugly areas in our town. Everyone is encouraged to give their ideas and input of what they would like to see done in Erwin.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

REPORTS FROM BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Mayor and Board of Commissioners expressed their feelings about Erwin's Town Manager Alan Thornton's leaving and moving to Southport. All said he will be missed and they all appreciated what he has done for them and The Town of Erwin while he was our Manager.

Commissioner Whitman reminded everyone to come out to polls and vote on May 6th. One stop voting will also be at the Community Center on Saturday.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Ennis made a motion to adjourn at 8:15 P.M. and was seconded by Commissioner Baker. The Board voted unanimously.

MINUTES RECORDED AND TYPED BY PAMELA S. ADDISON, TOWN CLERK.

Town Clerk, Pamela S. Addison

Mayor Patsy M. Carson