

**ERWIN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 2, 2012  
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, February 2, 2012 at 7:00 P. M. in Erwin, North Carolina.

Board Members present were: Commissioners Frank Taylor, Randy Baker, Norma Ennis, William Turnage, Frankie Ballard, and Ricky Blackmon.

Town Manager Bryan Thompson and Town Clerk Cynthia Patterson were present.

Town Attorney Mac Hunter was present.

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

Commissioner Taylor gave the invocation.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Ennis made a motion to approve the Agenda as is and was seconded by Commissioner Blackmon. The Board voted unanimously.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

Commissioner Baker made a motion to approve **(Item A)** Approval of Regular Minutes on 01/05/2012, **(Item B)** Tax Releases/Refunds: #24-26, **(Item C)** Proclamation Recognizing February 2012 Erwin Citizen of the Month: Mr. John Richard Symmonds, Jr, and **(Item D)** Resolution authorizing the Disposition of Certain Personal Property by Public Auction and was seconded by Commissioner Ballard. The Board voted unanimously.

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 2, 2012 CONTINUEDPRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION TO MR. JOHN RICHARD SYMONDS,  
JR. FOR CITIZEN OF THE MONTH

Mayor Carson presented a plaque to Mr. John Richard Symmonds, Jr. for the Citizen of the Month. Mr. Symmonds is very active in the Erwin Community. He is currently serving as President of the Erwin Lions Club and Administrator of the Erwin Memorial Park. The words that best fit Mr. Symmonds are Genuine Compassion, Generosity, Loyalty and Enthusiasm with all he is involved with in the Erwin Community.

OLD BUSINESSCHICORA PHASE II SEWER PROJECT PRESENTATION AND  
COMMUNITY/BOARD QUESTION ANSWER SESSION

Town Attorney Mac Hunter informed the Board that he had agreements from the citizens in Chicora. Mr. Hunter stated that some of the citizens have stated they did not want this for various reasons. The bid process will take one to two months. Once the engineers have reviewed the bids, the Board will then be able to award the contract to begin work.

Mayor Carson asked if anyone in the audience had questions.

Some of the citizens were present and expressed their concerns. A question was asked when the bids were going out for bids. Town Manager Bryan Thompson stated that the Town was ready to send out for bids however it was suggested to meet with the engineer along with the Board and make sure nothing has changed. Staff should be able to send out bids next week. The construction should begin by the summer.

Mr. Michael Wicker, Engineer for this project informed the Board and the Citizens that there are three options. One option is to put a new pump inside the septic tank and let that be the pump chamber, second option is to go on the discharge side of the septic tank and intersect it before it goes to the drain field and put a pump chamber with in the septic tank provides the storage, and the third option, a couple of homes would have to do because of a bad septic tank, is we will put in a new pump chamber that also has the storage. So this will have a 500 gallon tank with the pump in it.

Citizens also expressed concern with the Warranty stating that the warranty is a 5 year warranty and will begin once the agreements are signed. With the project beginning in summer/fall some of the citizens feel like they will get 4 years of the warranty.

Commissioner Blackmon stated that the agreements should be amended to the date of installment of the pumps due to the fact that you cannot warranty something that is not installed. Other Commissioners felt the same way.

Town Attorney Mac Hunter stated that he can word the agreement to state whatever the Board feels like they need in the agreement.

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 2, 2012 CONTINUED

With that being said, Commissioner Blackmon made a motion to amend the agreement to 5 years from the date of Project Engineer Certification and was seconded by Commissioner Baker. The Board voted unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

SET SPECIAL CALLED MEETING TO CONSIDER PLANNING AND ZONING /BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT APPOINTMENTS

It was the Consensus of the Board to set a Special Called Meeting for Tuesday, February 21, 2012 at 5:30pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tim Morris President of the Erwin Parking Center came forward and addressed the Board. Mr. Morris stated that the idea was to give the Erwin Parking Center to the Town of Erwin and let Staff apply for grants in order to beautify the downtown area and in return let the Business Owners be allowed to use the parking lot. After some discussion, this will be one of the items to be discussed at the Special Called meeting on Tuesday, February 21, 2012.

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

Commissioner Taylor thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and encouraged citizens to come out and attend the meetings. Expressed concerns with accumulated trash on Price Street.

Mayor Carson will have March Citizen of the Month.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Blackmon made a motion to adjourn at 8:30pm and was seconded by Commissioner Ennis. The Board voted unanimously.

MINUTES RECORDED AND TYPED BY  
CYNTHIA B PATTERSON TOWN CLERK

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Patsy M . Carson,  
Mayor

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