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Minutes September 14, 2009

The regular monthly meeting of the Lansing Board of Alderman was held on Monday, September 14, 2009. In attendance was Mayor Jason Ring. Aldermen Bill Cline, Brenda Reeves, Dennis Trainor, and Israel Church. Also Bernice Prestwood, Town Clerk, Phil Trew, Ron Williams, Madelene Crawford, Mauvine Shepherd, Jack Brown Larry Blevins, Frenchy, George Rembert, Jeff Key.

Mayor Ring started the meeting at seven o'clock by asking for approval of the minutes. Bill Cline made a motion to except them. Dennis Trainor second, and all agreed and the motion was carried.

Mayor Jason Ring introduced Phil Trew from the N C High Country Council of Government, to speak on a mapping service that will show where our water/sewer lines are at. Mr. Trew brought a map of another towns mapping that they had done. It showed a good graphic of the lines in this town. The mapping is done by satellite and would have to wait until the leaves are gone from the trees.

Pricing would be \$48.00 per hour, or about \$2500.00. They could also do it per hour, not to exceed a certain amount. In his estimate he thinks it will take about eighty hours. Forty hours in the field and forty in the office. It will take lots of help from the town. We will need to get with Tim Church to show him where things are at. Sometimes a metal detector is used to find lines. One thing was needed in to find the values said Dennis Trainor. They cannot find the value, but Phil feels that they could come close. They would start by taking the map we have now, and section it off into several sections. They would start by finding the meters, manholes and some lines (it would be a good time to inspect the manhole). They could determine the age of the lines and maybe a leak

If the Town adds on it would be no problem to add that on to the map. The Board will talk about this and will get back to Phil on a later date, Mayor Ring read a letter of resignation from Shane Duncan.

“I Robert Shane Duncan have relocated outside of the Lansing City limits due to work obligations therefore; I must resign from the Lansing Town Board. Please accept this as my formal resignation from the board due effective immediately due to my relocation. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of the board even though my time was short.”

-Robert Shane Duncan.

The Board accepted the resignation. Jason Ring told the Board that the material for the roof was delivered today. Israel Church said that the vinyl was not delivered. He did not know why it was not, but he said they would deliver it tomorrow. Church said he did nothing wrong, and he did not owe the town anything. The bill from Lowe's was incorrect. They gave him a discount because he does business with them. And that belong to him. Trainor said that he was not hired to order the materials for the town. He was hired to do a job that he did not do. Church said and he could not because of the insurance price. He took the bid in December of 2008, and he knew before that he had to have insurance. Bernice Prestwood asked Church why he waited until July to check on the insurance. Church said that Bernice was only a secretary and could not talk. Bernice reply by telling Church to be careful very careful. Church also said that until June that he could buy insurance per job, but in June that that was no longer allowed. Church said he did not get a receipt at the time of purchase. He did not know why Lowe's give us a different receipt than what he was told. He would not pay the town the \$1835.00 difference between the receipt, and what his receipt said. He said he would give the town \$504.00 that the discount that Lowe's gave him belongs to him. He said again he did nothing wrong that he had good intentions. Dennis Trainor made a motion that the town accepts the material and \$504.00 to be paid back to the town (by September 25, 2009). Under the condition that the materials are all delivered and are in great condition. If any additional material is needed to finish the job other than rotten wood he is responsible or it also sign a contract stating this. Brenda Reeves asked when he could pay the \$504.00. Church said

that he could by next Friday (September 25, 2009). Brenda Reeves said that we put this off another month to get the contract signed and materials here. Brenda Reeves made a motion that we call a special meeting For Monday night (September 21, 2009) to have the contract signed. Dennis Trainor seconds the motion, and all agreed. Carried.

There is a meeting at the Rural Center September 15, 2009. Mayor Ring said it would not be possible for any one to attend. If we had attended meeting in 2009 or 2009 we did not have to attend. Bernice had sent two e-mails trying to find if we had attended any meeting. I have had no response.

Another meeting through the STEP Grant Nita asks permission to ask two people to attend. This meeting is in Marion, NC. Brenda made a motion to get 2 people to go to the meeting. Dennis Trainor seconds it. Everyone agreed.

The total bill for the two wells was \$33252.76. The town is waiting for the result of the drawdown tests until we can apply for a draw for money. Dewy Wright said that they would wave the finance charges until we could get the money from our grants.

The NC League of Municipalities said that you have to designate the number for a large gathering, before we could have a dog leash law. A birthday party could be considered a large gathering. Brenda Reeves suggested that a party over 10 be considered a large gathering

It was suggested that we get someone from the animal control to come and speak to the Board about this. Bernice will call and get someone to speak to us. We will table this until we get someone from animal control to speak to us. Also two people asked Bernice to bring up that they have stepped in dog feces, and something needs to be done. Could the owner of the dogs be responsible to get the poop up with a plastic bag?

Steve Farrington wants ten thousand dollar for the use of his land. There is more invitation needed on this property. It was suggested that we table this until we know that we have a well/ Dennis Trainor made a motion to table it and Brenda Reeves second. All agreed.

Ron Williams would like to ask that a cross walk be marked off by the state to show were to cross the street. Also that Jason's property is paved to continue the side walks from the Fire Department to Jason

Ring's Property. Jason said that the town did not have the money to pave the strip without a grant. Brenda made a motion to get in contact with the authorities in order to get the cross walk painted. Bernice will call the DOT and find out what can be done. Dennis second, all agreed carried.

Money from the STEP Grant has not been received. Bernice has sent several e-mails and left messages trying to get an answer why we cannot get the draw we requested. The last thing that was told to Bernice is that they are still reviewing the receipts.

We all are invited to the dedication ceremony and ribbon cutting for the Library.

Mike Blevins has in the agreement that he get a meter and a hook up. It was in the agreement and it should stand.

No 4-wheelers in the park. Dennis Trainor wants to talk to Everett Adams before a decision is made. The Fire Department is in charge of the park. A motion was made by Brenda Reeves to table until someone talks to Everett Adams. Bill second, motion carried.

Brenda Reeves has talked to Chuck Olive. He said he would be in Lansing three days a week. He has already caught several. He said the speed limit needed to be changed. Brenda suggested that 15mph citywide. Every one agreed on the 15 mph.

It has been approved that Justin Bunton be paid for his help on the website. The amount has not been agreed on. This is through the STEP Grant to pay him.

The Bid for the road was Chuck Barker Construction was the lowest at \$1800.00. The Board asks Bernice to check into the Barker Construction to see if he has a good record. Maybe with the BBB.

With no more business to discuss Mayor Ring ask for a motion to Adjourn. Bill Cline made the motion. Dennis Trainor second the motion and the motion was carried.

