

**TOWN OF GARLAND  
SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2015  
6:30 PM**

The special meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Garland was held at the Garland Town Hall in Garland, N.C. on Monday, November 16, 2015 at 6:30 pm.

The following members of the Board of Commissioners were present:

Haywood Johnson  
S. J. Smith  
Denise Toler  
Ralph Smith

The following member of the Board of Commissioners was absent:

Carolyn Melvin

Also present were Mrs. Sylvia Chestnutt of the *Sampson Weekly*, and Mr. Chase Jordan of the *Sampson Independent*. There were 10 citizens in attendance.

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

Mayor Winifred Murphy called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and welcomed everyone in attendance. Town Clerk, Pamela Cashwell, was present serving as clerk recording notes for the meeting minutes.

**QUORUM**

Mayor Murphy and Clerk Pamela Cashwell established there was a quorum present.

**TOWN CHRISTMAS LIGHT HANGING-SAFETY**

Mayor Murphy thanked Mayor Pro Tem Johnson and Commissioner Ralph Smith for assisting and supervising the staff as they hung the Christmas lights in town today. A harness was used and the staff were followed by one of the Commissioners with blinking lights on to alert traffic to slow down and move over.

**CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY HOURS**

The Business and Community Association requested to extend the hours for the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony to allow for vendors and other activities. Commissioner Ralph Smith made the motion to allow the extended hours as requested, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson and carried unanimously.

**NC STEP CONTRACT EXTENSION**

Mayor Murphy requested the Board consider one final amendment to the NC STEP IMPLEMENTATION GRANT and reconsider extending the contract for the grant until 12/31/2015. The following amendment was proposed:

<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
53-420-03	Façade Matching Grant		\$2,677.00
53-420-06	Business Assistance Retention		\$ 18.73
53-420-08	Downtown Beautification	\$2,695.93	
53-420-10	Resource/Business Information Center		\$ 0.20
TOTAL		\$2,695.93	\$2,695.93


The four items the remaining money would be used to pay for include:

Garland Laundromat	\$250.00 from Façade Matching Grants
Winifred Murphy	\$342.87 from Resource/Business Information Center for Postcards
Hall's Originals	\$ 298.43 from Downtown Beautification for Mural Seal
Leisure Craft, Inc.	\$ 2,407.86 from Downtown Beautification for (4) Trash Receptacles
TOTAL:	\$3,299.16

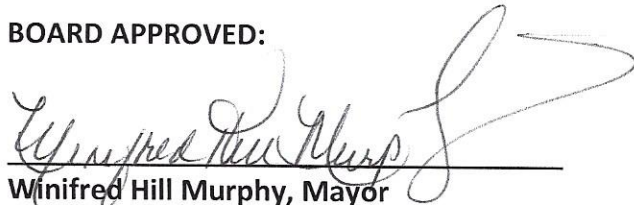
Commissioner Denise Toler made a motion to approve the amendment and contract extension as requested, seconded by Commissioner S. J. Smith and carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Ralph Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner S. J. Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

  
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Pamela Cashwell, Town Clerk/Finance Officer

BOARD APPROVED:

  
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Winifred Hill Murphy, Mayor