

TOWN OF GARLAND
PUBLIC HEARING
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2014
6:30PM

The Public Hearing of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Garland was held at the Garland Town Hall in Garland, N.C. on Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at 6:30pm.

The following members of the Board of Commissioners were present:

Haywood Johnson
Ralph Smith
S.J. Smith
Carolyn Melvin

The following members of the Board of Commissioners were absent:

Michael Strickland

Also present were Mr. William Cowan of Martin-McGill Engineering, Mrs. Emily Brown of the *Sampson Independent* and Mrs. Sylvia Chestnutt of the *Sampson Weekly*. There was also one citizen of Garland in attendance.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Mayor Winifred Murphy called the hearing to order at 6:30pm and welcomed everyone in attendance for the public hearing in reference to the Community Development Block Grant. Town Clerk, Jennifer Gray, was present serving as clerk recording notes for the meeting minutes.

QUORUM

Mayor Murphy and Clerk Jennifer Gray established that there was a quorum present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Murphy asked the members of the Board to review the presented agenda for consideration of approval. Commissioner Ralph Smith made a motion to approve the

agenda as presented. Mayor Pro-Tem Haywood Johnson seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion carried.

PRESENTED MATERIAL

Mayor Murphy addressed the public concerning the North Carolina Department of Natural Resources Community Development Block Grant for Infrastructure. Mayor Murphy introduced Mr. William Cowan of Martin-McGill Engineering to further address the citizens of the Community Development Block Grant and its purpose. Mr. Cowan stated that this is the second of the required public hearings for this board's intent to apply for the Community Development Block Grant Infrastructure Program. Mr. Cowan informed the board of the application deadline dates, the first of which being May 1, 2014. Mr. Cowan explained that the pump station and the piping at the town's waste water lagoon needed replacing. He also explained that an automatic transfer switch would be added to the station in the event of a power outage. The switch would enact a backup power supply, this prevent any type of threat of overspill. With the assistance of Envirolink, the town would look at replacing approximately ten thousand linear feet of sewer lines. The estimated cost of this project is 1.5 million dollars. Mr. Cowan explained that there is a 3 million dollar cap on CDBG funds at any one time. He also explained if the town applies for 1.5 million dollars at this time, it could also be eligible to apply for 1.5 million dollars in a future cycle. Mr. Cowan explained in the future that the town may want to look at water line rehabilitation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

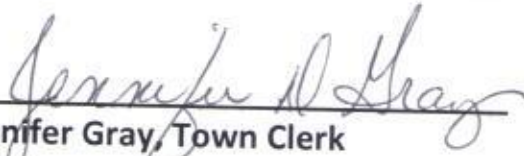
Mayor Murphy announced that at this time no one had signed in to speak regarding the Community Development Block Grant.

CLOSE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Commissioner Ralph Smith made a motion to exit the Public Hearing for the Community Development Block Grant. Commissioner S.J. Smith seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion carried.

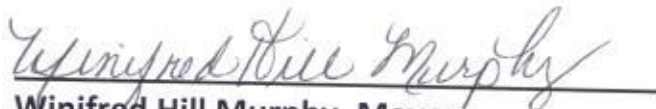
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Murphy announced the adjournment from Public Hearing. The Regular Meeting will reconvene at 7:00pm.



Jennifer Gray, Town Clerk

APPROVED:



Winifred Hill Murphy, Mayor