

**MINUTES
CITY OF DUNN
DUNN, NORTH CAROLINA
MAY 23, 2007**

The City Council of the City of Dunn continued the Special Call/Budget Work Session Meeting of Tuesday, May 15, 2007, on Wednesday, May 23, 2007 at 8:30 a.m. in the Dunn Community Building, 205 Jackson Road, Dunn, NC. Present at the continued meeting was Mayor J. Dal Snipes, Mayor Pro Tem Donnie Olds, Council Members Buddy Maness, Bryan Galbreath, Billy Tart, Billy R. Godwin, Jr. and Joey Tart. Also present was City Manager Ronnie Autry, Finance Director Renee' Daughtry, City Planner Steven Neuschafer, Building Inspector Mike Blackmon, Recreation Director Perry Hudson, Interim Police Chief B.P. Jones, Interim Public Works Director Billy Addison, Fire Chief Austin Tew, City Clerk Debra West and Daily Record Reporter Steve Reed.

*City Attorney P. Tilghman Pope was absent.
Daily Record Reporter Steve Reed arrived at 8:55 a.m.
Finance Director Renee' Daughtry arrived at 9:20 a.m.*

INVOCATION

Mayor Snipes opened the meeting at 8:39 a.m. and asked Council Member Joey Tart to give the invocation. Afterwards the Pledge of Allegiance was repeated.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Council Member Godwin, seconded by Council Member Billy Tart to enter closed session pursuant to the North Carolina open meetings law to discuss a personnel matter at 8:40 a.m. **Motion unanimously approved.**

Closed Session

Closed Session adjourned at 8:55 a.m.

Motion by Council Member Joey Tart, seconded by Council Member Billy Tart to approve the minutes of the closed session as recorded by City Clerk Debra G. West. **Motion unanimously approved.**

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR DECISION

RAIL INDUSTRIAL ACCESS AGREEMENT

Manager Autry explained that before the Council is an agreement between the North Carolina Department of Transportation and the City of Dunn whereby NCDOT will authorize the distribution of state financial assistance in an amount not to exceed \$124,000 for the construction of a rail industrial access track to serve the new Old Castle/Adams Products production facility, located on Gateway Drive in Dunn, NC. The rail project will consist of grading, installing a secondary turnout connection off an existing Food Lion spur, construction of a new approximate 1,500-foot rail spur track, erosion control and extension of a culvert.

Harnett County Economic Development asked that the City of Dunn apply for these monies as Old Castle is located in Edgerton Industrial Park II. After completion of the spur track, NCDOT will issue a check to the City of Dunn. Upon receipt of check, it will be forwarded to Old Castle.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Olds, seconded by Council Member Maness to adopt the Rail Industrial Access Agreement between the City of Dunn and the North Carolina Department of Transportation. **Motion unanimously approved.** *A copy of the Rail Access Agreement between NCDOT and the City of Dunn is incorporated into these minutes as Attachment #1.*

FY 07-08 BUDGET

Manager Autry presented the following revised accounts from direction given to him at the May 15, 2007 budget work session.

GENERAL FUND

REVENUE

- 10-351-0000 - Reduced \$15,000 – Mr. Autry and Chief Jones with Judge Corbett last week speculating that this revenue will be lost – monies have been budgeted to renovate the courtroom to add offices
- 10-353-0000 - Increased \$81,200 for Capital Outlay Items
- 10-361-0000 – Increased \$10,000, proposed \$100 increase per grave space – Existing \$500.00 - proposed \$600.00 ea. for (1-3 spaces)
Existing \$400.00 – proposed \$500.00 ea. for (4 or more spaces)
- 10-362-0000 – Increased \$45,000, proposed \$150 increase per grave opening – Existing \$350.00 - proposed \$500 weekday grave opening fee
Existing \$450.00 – proposed \$600 weekend and holidays

EXPENSES

- 10-410-5701 – Increased \$40,000, to cover possible litigation settlement
- 10-410-5702 - \$20,000 available fund balance
- 10-420-7400 - \$25,000 phone system for City Hall
- 10-443-5901 - \$116,000, 2.5% COLA
- 10-443-7000 - \$10,000 increase for 2 additional workstations
- 10-500-5400 - \$15,000, reduced
- 10-500-7403 - \$60,000, courtroom building improvements
- 10-510-7401 - \$25,000, police car
- 10-530-3400 - \$4,000, carpet/tile for fire station #2 (Harnett and Wilson)
- 10-530-3900 - \$5,000, increase for equipment
- 10-530-4700 - \$14,000, increase for radios
- 10-530-7402 - \$20,000, staff car
- 10-530-7403 - \$300,000, service truck (fire department)
- 10-550-6000 - \$5,000, planting projects
- 10-560-7401 - \$33,000, backhoe for cemetery
- 10-560-7402 - \$5,579, mower for cemetery
- 10-610-0700 - \$11,000 - \$6,000 for DOORS (curtain for Harnett Regional Theater/County will match this amount) and \$5,000 SIGN (for Chamber of Commerce to install Welcome to Dunn sign on east side of town)
- 10-620-7400 - \$49,000, playground equipment for Codrington Park & Tyler Park, and mower

Discussion was held about purchasing elevated bleachers at Tyler Park. Additional seating has been needed and especially this year since Dunn is hosting the 2007 North Carolina Dixie Youth Majors Baseball Tournament in July. Discussion was held about removing the current playground equipment that is in disrepair before the state tournament. New playground equipment will not be in place prior to the state tournament.

Motion was made by Council Member Godwin and seconded by Council Member Maness to authorize the Recreation Director to order elevated bleachers for Tyler Park to be paid by the excess \$20,000 in revenue presented by City Manager Autry in the F/Y 07-08 budget. **Motion unanimously approved.**

WATER FUND

REVENUE

- The proposed Nextel antenna installation on Powell Avenue Water Tank would generate approximately \$20,000 in revenue. These monies could possibly be used toward debt service.

EXPENSES

- 30-720-5900 – \$27,500, 2.5% COLA
- 30-720-7501 – \$171,918 Contingency
- 30-821-3201 – \$5,000, reduced
- 30-821-5700 - \$5,000, reduced

CAPITAL OUTLAY ITEMS TO BE FINANCED

Backhoe for Cemetery	\$33,000
Police Car	\$25,000
Fire Radios	\$24,000
Playground Equipment	\$40,000
Mower for Recreation	\$ 9,000
Fire Dept. Car	<u>\$20,000</u>
TOTAL	\$151,000

Fire Service Truck \$300,000

A proposed budget will be available by June 1st and a public hearing will be scheduled for June 7th along with the budget ordinance and increased fee schedule.

Discussion was held about leasing additional space to Hope Ministries at the Harnett Primary Property. Mr. Autry stated that there is a renewal clause in the Harnett Primary School property agreement that states the lease will automatically renew at the end of the 10 year initial lease ending November 30, 2008 for an additional 10 year period provided the City does not cancel the agreement.

FIRE PERMIT FEES

A portion of the Fire Department fee schedule will increase. Permits affected are as follows:

PERMIT TYPE	Current Cost	Proposed Cost
Automatic Fire Extinguishing System	\$25.00	\$50.00
Compressed Gases	\$25.00	\$50.00
Fire Pumps & Related Equipment	\$25.00	\$50.00
Industrial Ovens	\$25.00	\$50.00
Hot Work Operations/Programs	\$ 0.00	\$50.00

Council Member Joey Tart asked that he be excused from the June 7th City Council meeting. He will be out of town. Council consensus was to excuse Mr. Tart.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

J. Dal Snipes
Mayor

Attest:

Debra G. West
City Clerk