

July 7, 2003

Mayor Goldsborough called the meeting of the Denton Town council to order on this date at 7:00 p.m., leading everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Mayor Goldsborough requested everyone remain standing for prayer, and noting the passing of former Denton Town Commissioner Gerry Warwick. Prayer was led by Rev. Hal Perry.

Mayor Goldsborough asked that the record reflect that all Council members were present. Council member Horsey made a motion to approve the minutes, amending the spelling of Reverend Dieter, as presented for the June 16, 2003 Council meeting, second by Council member Stockley, the motion passed unanimously with all members in favor, 5-0.

Old Business

Agenda #1 - Tax Differential

The Council discussed the Caroline County Association of Municipalities' support for the petition drive for referendum to the County's repeal bill of their existing municipal tax differential provisions. Councilmember Branson made a motion to support the tax differential petition. This motion was seconded by Councilmember Horsey. The motion passed unanimously with all members in favor 5-0.

New Business

Agenda #1 - Well #2 Property on Edenton - The Council discussed the old well house on Edenton which is rapidly deteriorating and ins in need of significant maintenance. Scott Getchell, Superintendent of Public Works, was present and provided background on the status of the well house. He recommended that the board offer the property to Ms. Hadley at no charge, later acknowledging that she would be responsible for all of the cost associated with the transfer. Councilmember Branson made a motion to approve the transfer of the property as recommended by Scott Getchell, this motion was seconded by Councilmember Stockley. The motion passed unanimously with all members in favor, 5-0.

Agenda #2 - Water Tower Contracts - A recommendation from the Denton Utility Commission to contract maintenance services from the Utility Service Company had been provided to the Council. Mr. Andy Smith, a representative from Utility Service Company, and Scott Getchell, Superintendent of Public Works, were present to discuss the proposed maintenance contract services for Denton's municipal water towers. A copy of the proposed work schedule, payment plan and copies of the contract were provided to the Board. It was noted that the Water Fund Budget reflected the maintenance agreement charge. Councilmember Horsey made a motion to contact services with Utility Service Company. This motion was seconded by Councilmember Foster. The motion passed unanimously with all members in favor 5-0.

Agenda #3 - Board of Appeals Appointment

Councilmember Foster made a motion to re-appoint Sassy Daniels of 301 S. Seventh Street to a three year term with the Board of Appeals. This motion was seconded by Councilmember Stockley. The motion passed unanimously with all members in favor 5 - 0.

Agenda #4 - Annexation Request

The Council reviewed the request for annexation submitted by Arnold W. and Ruth L. Jensen; and Arnold and Christian Edward Jensen for the property that fronts on Foy Road. The request does not include annexation of Foy Road. The request consists of two parcels of land (161.967 acres) that immediately abut property owned by 9585 Legion Road L.L.C., Town of Denton, and Merry Lee Beavon, all of which are within the town limits on Legion Road. Councilmember Branson made a motion to refer the annexation request to the Planning Commission. This motion was seconded by Councilmember Horsey. The motion passed unanimously with all members in favor 5 - 0.

Agenda #5 - Denton Industrial Park

J.O.K. Walsh was present and provided the Council with background on the proposed Industrial Park addition by Boaters World. The Council reviewed the proposed elevations plans, as covered by the Covenants for the Industrial Park. Councilmember Horsey made a motion to approve the elevation plans submitted with the Park Lane block to be increased to 10'. This motion was seconded by Councilmember Stockley. The motion passed unanimously with all members in favor 5 - 0. The board also discussed fostering a potential amendment to the Covenants to provide flexibility to the use of materials on the facade of the building. The Council also discussed appropriation of funds from the Economic Development Fund to assist with alleviating gap in financing.

Agenda #6 - Personnel

At 7:28 p.m. the regular meeting was closed and an executive session was opened to discuss personnel.

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Other New Business

The Board discussed MML Conference noting that Mayor Goldsborough, Councilmember Foster, Terry Fearins and Janie Foster were in attendance at this years event.

With no further business to discuss, Mayor Goldsborough adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

*Terry S. Fearins
Administrator*

