

**CLOVER TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2008
CLOVER SCHOOL DISTRICT BUILDING
604 BETHEL STREET
6:30 PM**

MINUTES

The Clover Town Council held a regular scheduled meeting on December 8, 2008, after proper notification. Mayor Donnie Grice and Council members Granita Boyd, Bruce Henderson, Ann Harvey and Jay Dover were present. Council members Wes Spurrier and Robert Jackson were absent. Shannon Nix, Town Clerk; Allison Harvey, Town Administrator; Hilda Hopper, Town Treasurer; Mark Geouge, Public Works Director; Greg Holmes, Recreation Director; Legrand Guerry, Police Chief; Chuck Neil, Police Captain; Charlie Love, Fire Chief and Steve Skinnell, Fireman, were also in attendance. Shannon Greene with the *Enquirer-Herald* was also present.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Grice called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and Councilwoman Harvey led in prayer and pledge of allegiance.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Councilman Dover made a motion to add item H. under New Business: Recognition of the Mack E. McCarter Award Recipient. Councilwoman Harvey seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

PUBLIC ADDRESS

No comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

A. November 10, 2008

Councilman Dover made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Councilwoman Harvey seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Second Reading on Ordinance 08-13 Annexation of property located at 902 South Main Street, owned by Johnny Ridley, Jamie Ridley, and D'Etta Neelands, Tax Map # 363-93

Councilman Henderson made a motion to approve the second reading on Ordinance 08-13. Councilman Dover seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

B. Ammonia Study

Mrs. Harvey informed Council that there was no need to vote on the Ammonia Study. She said there would be testing over the next three months to try to determine the cause of the high ammonia readings in the wastewater.

NEW BUSINESS

A. First Reading on Ordinance 08-14, Water, Sewer, Sanitation and Landfill Ordinance

The ordinance increases the landfill charge by \$1, from \$6.30 to \$7.30 per month. Councilman Dover made a motion to approve second reading on Ordinance 08-14. Councilwoman Boyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

B. Larne Building Rental Fees

The rental fee was proposed to be increased by \$25 and the deposit by \$50. Councilwoman Harvey made a motion to approve the new Larne Building Rental Fees effective for all rental contracts issued after December 31, 2008. Councilwoman Boyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

C. Public Invocation Policy

Councilman Dover made a motion to approve the Public Invocation Policy. Councilman Henderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

D. Master Plan Approval for Clover Community Park Expansion

Councilman Dover made a motion to defer until a later date. Councilwoman Harvey seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

E. Appointments

Planning Commission – Councilwoman Boyd made a motion to appoint Dianne Watson and Mike Carroll to the Planning Commission. Councilman Henderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Board of Zoning Appeals - Councilman Henderson made a motion to appoint Angé Westmoreland and Willie Vaughn to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Councilwoman Boyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Fire Department – Mayor Grice announced that Mark Geouge no longer wishes to serve as Assistant Fire Chief. He will continue being a volunteer fireman. Councilman Dover made a motion to appoint Steve Skinnell as Assistant Fire Chief and Charlie Love as Fire Chief. Councilwoman Harvey seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Clover Housing Authority – Councilwoman Harvey made a motion to appoint Robin Wallace to the Clover Housing Authority. Councilwoman Boyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Economic Development Board – Councilman Dover made a motion to appoint the following to the Economic Development Board:

Bruce Henderson	Kelly Kane
Donnie Grice	Nick Sloane
Mack McCarter	Bobby Meek
Brent Clinton	Jim Hayes
Terence Murchison	Jerry Helms
Don Hartsoe	Tom Crates
Vance Stine	Christine Gourley
Jimmy Sprouse	

Councilwoman Harvey seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

F. Vehicle Purchase – Recreation Department

Councilman Dover made a motion to approve the Vehicle Purchase for the Recreation Department not to exceed \$20,075. Councilwoman Harvey seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

G. FY 2008-2009 Year to Date Budget Review

Mrs. Harvey noted Councilmembers received a year-to-date budget analysis in their packet plus explanatory notes of some line items. Although specific budget amendments are not being requested at this time, Mrs. Harvey has frozen new hires and taken other steps to cut back on expenditures. Staff will continue to keep Council updated on the budget, especially on the property tax revenues.

(Amended) H. Mack E. McCarter Award Recipient

Mayor Grice announced that Homer Kimbrell, SC State Constable, is the recipient of the Mack E. McCarter Award this year. Mr. Kimbrell volunteered over 1000 hours last year at the Clover Police Department.

INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Administrator's Report

Mrs. Harvey updated Council on the following:

- Final walk through of the streetscape scheduled in one week.
- Councilman Spurrier attended the bike path meeting and made suggestions about potential bike paths in the Clover area
- Thanked Homer Kimbrell for his volunteering to the Police Department
- Thanked Mark Geouge and his workers for spending many hours on the Christmas Tree at the square.

B. Council Comments

Boyd – Thanked Fire Department for the dinner.

Henderson – Thanked everyone for coming and said the Economic Development Board was a great group.

Dover – No comments

Harvey – Congratulated Homer Kimbrell, recipient of the Mack E. McCarter Award. Thanked the Fire Department for the dinner and thanked everyone for coming.

Grice – No comments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Councilman Dover made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Henderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM.