Town of New London Board of Commissioner's Meeting October 4, 2022

Mayor Tate Daniels welcomed everyone and opened the Commissioner's Meeting. Present for the meeting were Mayor Daniels, Commissioners Bill Peak, Richard Kimmer, Johnny Chestnut, Christy Starnes, Marcus Mullis, and Town Manager Susan Almond. Visitors present at the meeting were Elizabeth Chestnut and Avery Mauldin.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Chestnut. Mayor Daniels asked if there were any changes to the agenda. There being no corrections, Commissioner Mullis made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Kimmer. Motion carried.

Mayor Daniels asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes from the September meeting. There being no corrections, Commissioner Mullis made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Chestnut. Motion carried.

Sewer Report- Commissioner Peak reported the generator at the Spring Street Pump Station encountered a problem that has been repaired. He also noted an increase in plastic pellets at the Fiberon Pump Station that will be addressed with the Plant Manager.

Code Enforcement- No changes to report regarding the existing code report. Commissioner Chestnut reported on a noise issue at the Fiberon Plant that Mayor Daniels resolved.

Museum Update- Commissioner Starnes noted that the mini-split unit was replaced, and the museum was open on Sunday. A notice will be sent out with the bills noting the museum will be open the first Sunday of each month from 2:00 - 4:00pm.

Street Update- Commissioner Kimmer reported that Depot Street has an area in the asphalt starting to sink. Mayor Daniels noted that Mr. Rusty Russell will be working on patching other streets in town and he can look at Depot Street as well.

Mrs. Almond reported on the following:

- CD Rates- We have been in contact with local banks regarding their interest rates and investment opportunities. Commissioner Chestnut made a motion to move up to \$2 million dollars from our General Fund Money Market to a CD, seconded by Commissioner Peak. Motion carried unanimously.
- Land Use Plan- The Planning Board will begin reviewing the Land Use Plan and recommend updates in the near future.
- Local Church's Trunk or Treat at New London Memorial Park: Saturday, October 29th.
- Christmas in the Park: Friday, December 2nd, 6:00 8:00pm.

Mayor Daniels gave an update on the following:

- Park Update- The rustic shelter is complete and grass seed has been sewn. Picnic table options
 were presented to the Town Board. Commissioner Chestnut made a motion to purchase (4) brown
 Colossus picnic tables from Treetop Products, seconded by Commissioner Kimmer. Motion
 carried unanimously.
- Cemetery Update- The cemetery plat surveyed by Mr. Dent Turner was presented to the Town Board which included 7 new sections and 384 lots. Commissioner Peak made a motion to accept this cemetery plat to include installing sidewalks and allow flat markers only in this new section seconded by Commissioner Mullis. Motion carried unanimously.
- Upgrade Phone & Internet- Kinetic by Windstream can install fiber optic cable at the Town Hall and provide a new phone system that would be a savings of over \$40 per month on phone and internet charges.
- Paving at cemetery- Mr. Rusty Russell's quote was \$5,800 for patch work and \$18,776 for overlay work to repave Cemetery Drive. The Town Board agreed to proceed with this quote.
- Property on Hwy 52- We were notified that Efird Farms which is located outside the town limits on US Hwy 52 N (tax record 7061), asked to be annexed in the City of Albemarle but the topic was put on hold until further notice.

A closed session was called. The Commissioner's Meeting reconvened.

The agenda being accomplished, the meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Minutes submitted by Susan Almond, Town Manager.