

Town of New London

Board of Commissioner's Meeting

February 4, 2025

Mayor Tate Daniels welcomed everyone and opened the Commissioner's Meeting. Present for the meeting were Commissioners Richard Kimmer, Bill Peak, Timothy Higgins, Bob Loflin, and Town Manager Susan Almond. Visitors present at the meeting were Norman & Connie Williams and Deputy Bryce Kaus. Commissioner Sid Lanier was absent from the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Kimmer. Mayor Daniels asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Commissioner Kimmer made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Higgins. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Sewer Report- Commissioner Peak reported that the sewer pump at Oak Street was not working properly so the pump was pulled out and reset.

Street Update- Commissioner Kimmer reported that a street light globe at the corner of Ferry Road and Church Street had to be replaced. Commissioner Higgins noted that the NCDOT added a cold patch to the large hole at the intersection of Hwy 8 and Old 52, but we need to contact them to see if this is a temporary fix until the weather warms up. Commissioner Higgins reported that he will repair the damaged storm drain grate at the corner of Spring Street and Depot Street. Mayor Daniels noted that dirt has settled, and the road is sinking in front of 315 Spring Street.

Museum Update- Mrs. Almond noted that Sid & Mitzie Lanier volunteered at the museum on Sunday, and they had a few visitors.

Mrs. Almond reported on the following:

- **Town Limits Signs-** The New London Incorporated 1891 signs at the town entrances are all weathered and need to be removed.
- **Board Meeting Schedule-** Commissioner Peak made a motion to change the June Board Meeting to Tuesday, June 10th at 7pm at the Community Center, seconded by Commissioner Kimmer. Motion carried unanimously.
- **COG Meeting-** The Town of Badin will host the next COG meeting on Tuesday, February 25th at 6:30 pm at the Badin Inn.

Mayor Daniels gave an update on the following:

- **Senior Meal Distribution- Community Center-** The projected start date for meals on wheels for home delivery volunteer pick up/drop off is March 3, 2025. Stanly County Senior Services is anticipating the dine-in lunches at the community center to begin around April-May, after the parking lot is paved. The Board discussed paving options and Commissioner Kimmer suggested we have an alternate driveway from Vine Street that would connect to the parking lot. We will obtain quotes for paving that would include both options.
- **Stanly County Crimestoppers-** This organization was reactivated two years ago. They have raised \$22,000 so far and are requesting donations that help lead to the arrest and conviction of criminals. Their purpose is to assist in the investigation of crimes by offering cash rewards to an informant upon the arrest and conviction of a serious felony crime. Commissioner Loflin made a motion to give Stanly County Crimestoppers a donation of \$500, seconded by Commissioner Peak. Motion carried unanimously.

A Closed Session was Called. The Commissioner's Meeting reconvened. Commissioner Kimmer made a motion to offer \$50,000 to purchase the property at 104 W. Depot Street since it adjoins the town's property, seconded by Commissioner Peak. Motion carried unanimously.

The agenda being accomplished, the meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.
Minutes submitted by Susan Almond, Town Manager.