

Town of New London

Board of Commissioner's Meeting

March 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, Sid Lanier, Bob Loflin, and Town Manager Susan Almond. Visitors present at the meeting were Mitzie Lanier, John & Cathy Kimmer, Norman & Connie Williams and Deputy Bryce Kaus.

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

Mayor Daniels asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes from the February 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 everything is working fine with the sewer system.

Museum Update- Mr. Lanier noted that John & Cathy Kimmer volunteered at the museum on Sunday, and they had one visitor.

Mrs. Almond reported on the following:

- **Senior Meals Update-** Volunteer pick up and drop off for meals on wheels began yesterday at the Community Center. Dine-in lunches for seniors 60 and older are projected to begin in April or May.
- **New Water Meters Installed-** Pfeiffer North Stanly Water Association replaced old and outdated water meters on several streets in town by installing 84 new radio read water meters in New London over the last few weeks.
- **Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off-** Stanly County residents may drop items off at the Ag Center on Saturday, April 5th from 9:00 – 1:00.
- **Bulk Waste (Extra Household Trash) Pick-up for New London Residents-** Saturday, April 12th.

Mayor Daniels gave an update on the following:

- **Property at 104 Depot Street-** The Russells agreed to accept our offer to purchase their house at 104 Depot Street which adjoins our museum property. They asked permission to store items in the house until June 30th. Commissioner Higgins made a motion to purchase the property at 104 Depot Street from Rick & Deanette Russell for \$50,000, seconded by Commissioner Kimmer. Motion carried unanimously.

- **Cameras at Pump Stations-** Wise eye cameras with solar panels were recently installed at 3 of our sewer pump stations for safety precautions for a cost of \$740.
- **Parking Lot-** Roger Russell gave a quote to pave the existing gravel parking area behind the Town Hall for a cost of \$23,380, which includes paving from the basement to the parking lot. The cost for an exit driveway from the parking area to Vine Street is \$11,648. Striping and parking bumpers would cost \$1,800 with a grand total of \$36,728.00. Commissioner Kimmer made a motion to accept Mr. Russell's quote for the complete project, seconded by Commissioner Peak. Motion carried unanimously.
- **Dedication of a Marker for Revolutionary War Patriot Thomas Biles-** The Yadkin River Patriots Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) along with other organizations are sponsoring a marker dedication event to honor Thomas Biles, a Revolutionary War Patriot whose family was instrumental in the development of Bilesville, which eventually changed to New London. The dedication of the marker will be held at the New London Cemetery on Saturday, March 22, 2025 at 11:00 am.
- **Park Update-** NC State Representative Cody Huneycutt is still working on potential grant money for New London for future park projects but that request is on hold as a lot of funds are still being used in Western North Carolina due to the hurricane damage.

The agenda being accomplished, the meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm.
Minutes submitted by Susan Almond, Town Manager.