

December 19, 2024
Special Meeting

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:43 pm. Mayor Larry W. Adams was present along with the following Commissioners: Dawn Hobson, Neal Nichols, Martin Hauser, Earl Norman, and Kurt Held.
2. Mayor Adams stated the purpose of the special meeting was to address ARP funds of approximately \$87,000 which were set aside for the water tank repairs that were not used. Carter Spradling was present from the Piedmont Triad Regional Council and he informed the board that the Board needed to state the amount the Town was planning on spending and further informed the Board that 3 quotes are needed for expenditures between \$30,000 and \$90,000 and that expenses under \$30,000 are considered regular expenses and that there are no special considerations are needed for those expenditures. Commissioner Norman inquired as to whether the Town had to choose the lesser of the 3 quotes and Mr. Spradling stated that the Town does not have to choose the cheapest, the Town must simply consider 3 quotes.
3. Commissioner Held presented 4 quotes to the Board for backhoe's available for purchase that would meet the Town's needs. The machines are all configured with a cab, AC and heat, a coupler with a bucket and forks. He further explained that the coupler and 2 attachments are more versatile products. The range of the quotes is \$80,000 to \$120,000, all are between the 2,000 to 4,000 hour range and all are used. He further stated that the cost of a new machine is approximately \$150,000 to \$175,000. He informed the Board that the lifespan of the machines are approximately 10,000 hours. The first proposal was for a 2019 420F IT machine from Carolina Cat, has 2,856 hours with a current asking price of \$80,000 plus tax. Commissioner Held saw this machine in person, the machine had an oil leak, needed new tires, had some cosmetic damage, needed to be serviced and the teeth on the backhoe needed to be replaced, the bucket pins also had some wear but were not bad. This machine was offered with a 250-hour, 12 month warranty. The second proposal was from John Deere for a 2021 310 SL machine with 3,071 hours and it was 92,000 plus tax. The 3rd proposal was for a Case 2023580 SV machine with 300 hours and the cost was \$119,500 plus tax. The final proposal was from Carolina Cat and was for a 2019 420F IT machine with 1,859 hours with a cost of \$102,000 plus tax. Clerk Miller stated that the ARP funds do not cover sales tax and Mayor Adams informed the Board that the sales tax would be approximately \$5,400 which would have to be paid from other funds. Commissioner Norman made a motion to move forward with the purchase of the machine in first proposal. Commissioner Nichols seconded. The motion carried 4-0, with Commissioner Held abstaining.
4. Chief Shore present two quotes from Marvin's Garage Doors to upgrade the Town's buildings and install appropriate garage doors to store the backhoe that the Town hopes to purchase. The first quote was to install a 10 by 10 garage door and to make necessary repairs to accommodate this door. This quote was \$5,300. The second quote was to install a larger 13'

by 12' door and to make the necessary repairs to accommodate this door. The quote for the larger door is \$12,500. Chief Shore further stated that electrical work is needed to be completed for either proposal and the cost of the electrical work is \$1,392.72.

Commissioner Held made a motion to proceed with the proposal for installing the 13' by 12' garage door and proceeding with the electrical work. Commissioner Hauser seconded. The motion carried 5-0. Commissioner Nichols then made a motion to amend the budget to expend up to \$80,000 of ARP funds for the purchase of a backhoe and to use the remaining \$7,318.04 for the garage door upgrade.

Commissioner Hauser seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Commissioner Hauser then made a motion to authorize Mayor Adams and Clerk Miller as signatory authority for the Town for the purchases and proposals approved at this meeting and to allow the purchase orders to be signed prior to December 31, 2024. Commissioner Nichols seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

5. Clerk Miller stated that she had looked at a filing cabinet, as well as some other office furniture having a cost of approximately \$600. The Board stated that all ARP funds would be used and that there wouldn't be funds at this time for these expenditures.
6. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Held seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

1-13-2025

Date

Larry W. Adams

Larry W. Adams, Mayor

Bettina Miller

Bettina Miller, Town Clerk/Administrator