

**TOWN OF GARLAND
BUDGET PLANNING SESSION & SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
THURSDAY, MAY 28, 2015
6:00 PM**

The budget planning session and special meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Garland was held at the Garland Town Hall in Garland, N.C. on Thursday, May 28, 2015 at 6:00 pm.

The following members of the Board of Commissioners were present:

Haywood Johnson
Ralph Smith
S. J. Smith
Denise Toler (Arrived at 6:10 pm)

The following member of the Board of Commissioners was absent:

Carolyn Melvin

Also present were Mrs. Sylvia Chestnutt of the *Sampson Weekly*, and Mr. Chase Jordan of the *Sampson Independent*. Three citizens were in attendance as well.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Mayor Winifred Murphy called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and welcomed everyone in attendance. Town Clerk, Pamela Cashwell, was present serving as clerk recording notes for the meeting minutes.

QUORUM

Mayor Murphy and Clerk Pamela Cashwell established there was a quorum present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Winifred Murphy asked the members of the Board to review the presented agenda for consideration of approval. Commissioner Ralph Smith made a motion to table items 5, 6, and 7 until the next regular board meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Haywood Johnson seconded the motion. Mayor Murphy stated the items were important and needed to be discussed this evening. Commissioner Ralph Smith stated the charter states if all the members aren't present and the absent members didn't sign a written waiver the items could not be discussed or the special meeting held. The motion passed unanimously.

BUDGET PLANNING SESSION

Clerk Cashwell presented copies of the 2015/2016 proposed budget and budget message to the board. (See attached). Clerk Cashwell read and discussed both documents. Mayor Murphy thanked Finance Officer Cashwell for her hard work with preparing the proposed budget ordinance. Board members also voiced appreciation for the work on the proposed budget. Commissioner Ralph Smith made a motion to approve the 2015/2016 proposed budget ordinance to advertise in the paper and schedule the public hearing for June 23, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Haywood Johnson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Haywood Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Ralph Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 pm by Mayor Winifred Murphy.

Pamela Cashwell

Pamela Cashwell, Town Clerk/Finance Officer

BOARD APPROVED:

Winifred Hill Murphy

Winifred Hill Murphy, Mayor