

REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2007

The regular meeting of the Hope Mills Board of Commissioners was called to order by Mayor Dees at 7:30 p.m. Commissioners Collins, Smith, Gorman, Luther, and Legge were present.

Others present were Town Manager Randy Beeman, Town Attorney William R. Davis, Public Works Director Bruce McLaurin, Human Resources Administrator Kimberly Lockamy, Fire Chief Chuck Hodges, Chief Building Inspector Mike Bailey, Police Chief John Hodges, Police Captain John Smith, Maxey Dove and Kenny Bullock, representing the Parks and Recreation Department.

Rev. Michael Bost, Camden Christian Fellowship, gave the invocation, and Commissioner Luther led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS, ADDITIONS, DELETIONS.

Mayor Dees noted a corrected resolution for consent agenda item (e) which needed to be added.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to add the corrected resolution as requested. Commissioner Legge seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Dees stated Parks and Recreation Athletic Supervisor Maxey Dove wished to make a presentation concerning obtaining officials for events.

Commissioner Legge made a motion to add the presentation as requested. Commissioner Luther seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

2. STATUS REPORT ON HOPE MILLS LAKE/DAM PROJECT.

Mayor Dees stated the work continued despite the heat as he rides by there sometimes and sees them working and he is amazed that they are continuing in the heat. He said they were getting ready to move to the eastern side of the spillway to begin work clearing the old crib dam area. He noted he had been in contact again with Mr. Robinson of the Wake Forest Archeology Department and he is going to come and observe while they are cutting off the exposed area and removing it. Mayor Dees noted if they have to dig down into the unexposed area Mr. Robinson will be there to observe that as well in case there is anything that he needs to document as part of the ongoing process with the regulatory agencies. He said Mr. Robinson was also going to help document and store the materials as they move them from the site for historical purposes later on.

Mayor Dees said they were continuing to work with the Public Works Commission to shore up the sewer line and add some additional pilings and support beams before they divert the water. He noted they were going to concrete that area today or tomorrow and hopefully they will be done by the end of the week and once they clear the brush and move the dirt that they had to move to do that, they will divert the water and begin tearing down the rest of the old dam.

Mayor Dees opened the floor for public comments and/or questions, and there were none.

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3. INFORMATION PRESENTATION BY MR. EDDIE MAYNOR, CHAIRMAN OF THE CUMBERLAND COUNTY ABC BOARD CONCERNING THE NEW ABC STORE ON HOPE MILLS ROAD.

Mr. Eddie Maynor, 3718 Floyd Drive, stated he appreciated the opportunity to address the Board concerning a preview of what was coming to Hope Mills. Mr. Maynor stated Mr. Gene Webb, Executive Director of the ABC Board, was present and they were pleased to announce the proposed ABC Store to be located on Hope Mills Road. Mr. Maynor stated he felt that often the public felt ABC Stores had a negative connotation, but he believed there were a lot of positives. Mr. Maynor said citizens had been asking why was the ABC Store moving from Rockfish Road to Hope Mills Road, and the reason was due to increased volume of business and also the congestion at the current location. Mr. Maynor noted that the Hope Mills ABC Store was the third largest sales tax producing business in Hope Mills. Mr. Maynor distributed a drawing of the proposed store to the Governing Body and briefly reviewed the site and the construction of the facility. Mr. Maynor noted that the Hope Mills store last year generated gross sales in the amount of \$1,632,000.00. He stated that the projected opening for the store was 2008, and they planned to sell the store located on Rockfish Road. Mr. Maynor also briefly reviewed the distribution of profits from the ABC Board to organizations throughout the county. In conclusion, Mr. Maynor expressed appreciation to the Board for allowing the presentation and stated he was excited about the location of the new store and looked forward to all the positive benefits from this location.

4. PRESENTATION BY ATHLETIC SUPERVISOR MAXEY DOVE CONCERNING CONTRACTING FOR OFFICIALS FOR RECREATIONAL EVENTS.

Mr. Dove stated that the Parks and Recreation staff had been reviewing the possibility of obtaining an agent to assist with securing officials for athletic events. He stated that funds were currently available in the budget to cover this as contracted services, and staff was working with an agent on a proposed contract. Mr. Dove noted that officials had to be secured for approximately 1,207 various athletic events. He stated that this type of contractual arrangement was becoming more prevalent throughout the state, and briefed the Board on the Town's current policy of hiring officials as part-time employees. Mr. Dove also noted there was an extreme amount of paperwork to enroll these part-time employees including background checks, hiring, training, etc. Mr. Dove stated that he would like the Board to consider pursuing the possibility of hiring an agent to secure officials for all athletic events.

Mayor Dees stated he understood the request was to explore the possibility of current Town funds to hire a booking agent and this would free many man-hours on both the Athletic Supervisor as well as the Human Resources Administrator. Mr. Dove stated he did support the Town considering hiring a booking agent and the agent being considered was qualified through the Southeast Athletic Officials Association. He stated he felt the Town would break even if not ahead because the Town would not be paying FICA taxes and Workers Compensation insurance.

Mayor Dees stated he understood Mr. Dove was asking for permission to proceed pending approval by the Town Manager and

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Town Attorney.

Commissioner Legge commented he had spent a lot of time with Mr. Dove who spends an extreme amount of time scheduling officials. Commissioner Legge said he thought this was a great idea to have a booking agent as it would save both time and work hours not only for the Parks and Recreation Department but Human Resources and Finance as well.

Commissioner Legge made a motion to authorize the Athletic Supervisor to proceed with negotiations on a contract for booking agent for officials for events subject to the approval of the Town Manager and Town Attorney. Commissioner Collins seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

There were none.

6. MAYORAL PROCLAMATION: 2007 FALL LITTER SWEEP - SEPTEMBER 15-29, 2007.

Mayor Dees read the proclamation, and noted Saturday, September 22nd, would be the Town's Annual Fall Clean-up Day. He encouraged all citizens to participate in this community wide event.

7. CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Dees presented the consent agenda and asked the Board if there were items they wished moved to the regular agenda for discussion.

Commissioner Smith noted one correction under Official Comments, and the Town Clerk acknowledged the correction.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Commissioner Luther seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

- a) Consideration to approve Minutes of the August 6, 2007 Regular Meeting.

Minutes approved with correction as noted.

- b) Consideration to adopt ordinance amendment Section 90-356. Traffic Schedules, Speed Limits establishes 45 mph speed limit for the Hope Mills Bypass as recommended by the NCDOT.

The North Carolina Department of Transportation presented a request for the Town Board to consider adopting an ordinance declaring the speed limit along NC# 162 (Hope Mills Bypass) where it enters and exits the town limits of Hope Mills. The NCDOT requested approval of establishing a 45 mph speed limit.

AMENDMENT
TO THE
CODE OF ORDINANCES
OF THE
TOWN OF HOPE MILLS, NORTH CAROLINA

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The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Hope Mills, North Carolina, in order to promote public safety on the streets and highways of the Town of Hope Mills, does ordain:

Section 1. That Chapter 90: Traffic and Vehicles; Section 90-356, Traffic Schedules, Schedule I: Speed Limits, be amended by adding the following:

<u>Street</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Ordinance Date</u>
Hope Mills Bypass (NC 162)	from a point 0.33 mile west of Legion Road to a point 0.18 mile west of Legion Road - 45 m.p.h.	September 4, 2007
Hope Mills Bypass (NC 162)	from a point 0.05 mile west of Quail Forest Drive to a point 0.12 mile east of NC 59 (Hope Mills Road) - 45 m.p.h.	September 4, 2007

Section 2. That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

Section 3. That all other provision of Chapter 90 shall remain as currently codified.

ADOPTED this 4th day of September, 2007.

EDDIE DEES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Phyllis C. Register, MMC, Town Clerk

Ordinance Amendment adopted.

- c) Consideration to approve \$1,280.00 bid from MCS Welding for completion of the MacRae Cemetery fencing project.**

Public Works Director Bruce McLaurin presented a request from the Historic Advisory Committee to complete the fencing at MacRae Cemetery. He reported the design was approved by the Historic Committee and the design added an eight foot arch to the entrance and six feet of fencing on each side of the arch. Mr. McLaurin noted lettering would be at the top of the arch, and the iron fencing would match the existing fence. Mr. McLaurin reported the original Historic Grant the Town received for fencing this cemetery was \$14,000.00, and the current fencing cost \$13,176.00 leaving a balance of \$824.00 to be applied to the cost of the additional fencing.

Mr. McLaurin recommended the Board approve the \$1,280.00 bid from MCS Welding, and stated funds were currently available in the Building and Grounds Contracted Services account for this expenditure.

MCS Welding bid approved.

- d) Consideration to adopt Resolution directing the Clerk to perform sufficiency study for voluntary annexation petition of 2.82 acres located on the south side of Elk Road, property of Florene T. Lucas, et al.**

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CLERK TO INVESTIGATE
A PETITION RECEIVED UNDER G.S. 160A-31
Annexation #07-3

WHEREAS, a petition requesting annexation of an area described in said petition was received on August 22, 2007 by the Board of Commissioners for 2.82 acres, property of

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Florene T. Lucas, et al, located on the south side of Elk Road; and east of and adjacent to the western line of PIN 0424-35-1575 that is present the Hope Mills town limit line; and

WHEREAS, G.S. 160A-31 provides that the sufficiency of the petition shall be investigated by the Town Clerk before further annexation proceedings may take place; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Hope Mills, North Carolina, that:

The Town Clerk is hereby directed to investigate the sufficiency of the above described petition and to certify as soon as possible to the Board of Commissioners the result of her investigation.

ADOPTED this 4th day of September, 2007.

EDDIE DEES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Phyllis C. Register, MMC, Town Clerk

Resolution adopted.

e) **Consideration to adopt Resolution concerning an Early Action Compact (new air quality standards).**

The Fayetteville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization submitted a resolution concerning a proposed revision to the ozone standard. Ms. Emilie Helms, Air Quality Coordinator, reported the EPA suggested the need to revise the standard for the betterment of human health. Ms. Helms noted the Air Quality Stakeholders supported the adoption of the resolution for the entire Early Action Compact, and stated the resolution basically acknowledged the continued need to improve human health and safety and also requested that the option for early action compacts be available again in the future.

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE
TOWN OF HOPE MILLS, NORTH CAROLINA**

Whereas, the *Federal Clean Air Act*, through the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), establishes air quality standard to protect public health and welfare; and

Whereas, the EPA must regularly update the air quality standards to provide increased protection for children and other at risk populations against an array of ozone related adverse health effects; and

Whereas, the EPA proposes to revise the level of the 8-hour standard to a level within the range of 0.070 to 0.075 parts per million (ppm); and

Whereas, the proposed rule is included within the 40 CFR Part 50, Page 37818, Docket ID EPA-HQ-OAR-2005-0172, "National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone;" and

Whereas, North Carolina has acknowledged the importance of air quality standards in promoting quality of life, economic development and health; and

Whereas, the benefits of a continued *Early Action Compact* include: clean air

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sooner, delaying or avoiding nonattainment designation, minimizing the impact of air quality standards on new industrial and transportation construction, less complicated conformity plans, development of local standards in partnership with stakeholders and the state; and

Whereas, the past, present and continued cooperative efforts of the *2002 Cumberland County Early Action Compact* have made significant improvements in Air Quality; and

Now, therefore be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners, that should the EPA select a new ozone standard of 0.075 ppm or lower, we request the ability to join with the other Cumberland County municipalities to enter into an *Early Action Compact*.

Adopted this 4th day of September, 2007.

Eddie Dees, Mayor

ATTEST:

Phyllis C. Register, MMC, Town Clerk

Resolution adopted.

f) Consideration to authorize purchase of \$13,000.00 WindowWare Permitting Software for the Inspections Department.

Chief Building Inspector Mike Bailey presented a request to authorize the purchase of permitting software which was approved in the current FY 07-08 budget.

Mr. Beeman noted budget purchases over \$5,000.00 required Board approval, and recommended the Board authorize the \$13,000.00 purchase of the budgeted software for the Inspections Department.

Purchase of software authorized.

"END CONSENT AGENDA"

8. PUBLIC HEARING: CASE NO. P07-60. CONSIDERATION OF REZONING TWO PARCELS TOTALING 1.68 ACRES FROM R6 AND C1(P) TO C(P), OR A MORE RESTRICTIVE ZONING DISTRICT, AT 4974 AND 4958 CAMERON ROAD, OWNED BY BILTMORE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.

Mr. Ed Byrne, Cumberland County Planning Department, displayed a map of the subject property, and reviewed the current zoning and land uses of the area. Mr. Byrne reported the Hope Mills Zoning Board considered this case at its August 27th meeting, and recommended approval of O&I for the 1.42 acre tract, 4974 Cameron.

He noted the Zoning Board recommended that the current zoning C1(P) for the 0.26 acre tract, 4958 Cameron Road, remain as currently zoned.

Mr. Byrne reported the Planning and Inspection staff recommended denial of the request for C(P), however the staff did recommend O&I for the larger tract that is currently zoned R6 based on the following:

1. Although the recommendation is not consistent with the 2010 Land Use Plan, which calls for Medium Density Residential and Open Space at this location, O&I(P) on

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the larger tract would be in character with the uses and character of the general area.

2. The subject properties are located on Major Thoroughfares.

The staff did consider the C1(P) district for the larger tract, but did not find that all the uses allowed in the C1(P) district would be suitable at this location. There are no other suitable zoning districts to be considered for this site.

Mayor Dees opened the public hearing. There being no one speak in favor or in opposition to the matter, the public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Luther commented there was a lot involved in this matter due to the proposed widening of Legion Road. She noted the proposed widening included a median down the center of Legion Road. Additionally, she expressed concerns relative to the traffic in this area with River Road being closed. Commissioner Luther stated it was her opinion in the best interest of the Town, the citizens, and the property owner, that the Board should consider the recommendation of the Zoning Board and County Planning staff to rezone the large parcel O&I only.

Commissioner Luther made a motion to rezone the large parcel O&I and that the other smaller tract remain as currently zoned C1(P). Commissioner Collins seconded the motion.

In response to a question from Commissioner Smith, Mr. Byrne responded that the Planning Staff recommended O&I, however, the Board had the option to rezone this property as it so chose to.

The motion carried unanimously.

AMENDMENT
TO THE
ZONING ORDINANCE
OF THE
TOWN OF HOPE MILLS, NORTH CAROLINA

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF HOPE MILLS, NORTH CAROLINA, DOES ORDAIN:

1. That an area located at **4974 Cameron Road (1.42 ac.)**, owned by Biltmore Construction Company, Inc., and being more particularly described as follows is hereby rezoned from R6 Residential District to **O&I Office & Institutional District**.

4974 Cameron Road (0414-83-2134)

BEING THAT certain 1.42 acre, more or less, tract of land as described in deed recorded in Book 332, Page 598, of the Cumberland County, North Carolina Registry.

2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Hope Mills, North Carolina, this 4th day of September, 2007.

EDDIE DEES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Phyllis C. Register, MMC, Town Clerk

9. **PUBLIC HEARING: CASE NO. P07-68. CONSIDERATION OF REZONING A 1.51 ACRE PORTION OF AN 11.09 ACRE TRACT FROM R10 RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO R5A RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, OR A MORE RESTRICTIVE ZONING DISTRICT, LOCATED SOUTHWEST OF ELK ROAD EAST OF AFTON AVENUE, OWNED BY BROADWELL LAND COMPANY.**

Mr. Byrne displayed a map of the subject property, and reviewed the current zoning and land uses of the area. Mr. Byrne reported the Zoning Board at its August 27th meeting recommended approval of R5A Residential District for this property.

Mayor Dees commented he understood that a majority of the property was surrounded by R5A zoning, and further the Zoning Board agreed with the Planning Staff recommendation. Mr. Byrne confirmed that the property on three sides was currently zoned R5A.

Mayor Dees opened the public hearing. There being no one to speak in favor or in opposition to the matter, the public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Legge made a motion to rezone the property in Case P07-68 from R10 to R5A. Commissioner Luther seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

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THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF HOPE MILLS, NORTH CAROLINA, DOES ORDAIN:

1. That an area located southwest of Elk Road, east of Afton Avenue, being a 1.51 acre portion of an 11.09 acre tract, owned by Broadwell Land Company., and being more particularly described as follows is hereby rezoned from R10 Residential District to R5A Residential District.

0424-24-1587

BEGINNING at a point in the Town limit line of Hope Mills, said point being the southern most corner of Florene Lucas as described in Deed Book 6523 at page 781, said point also being the western most corner of Florene Lucas as described in Deed Book 4604 at page 471, thence with a line south 48 degrees 37 minutes 45 seconds west a distance of 209.96 feet to a point; thence south 29 degrees 34 minutes 45 seconds west a distance of 131.72 feet to a point; thence south 02 degrees 09 minutes 15 seconds east a distance of 338.81 feet to a point; thence north 77 degrees 08 minutes 15 seconds west a distance of 19.51 feet to a point; thence with a curve turning to the right with an arc length of 86.30', with a radius of 230.00', with a chord bearing of north 66 degrees 23 minutes 16 seconds west, with a chord length of 85.80' to a point; thence north 55 degrees 31 minutes 04 seconds west a distance of 72.11 feet to a point in the dividing line of United Resorts/Duggins LLC as described in Deed Book 6537 at page 597 and Broadwell Land Co., as described in Deed Book 6905 at page 6; thence with said dividing line north 19 degrees 12 minutes 20 seconds east a distance of 600.40 feet to a point a common corner of said Broadwell, Duggins and Lucas; thence with the dividing line of said Broadwell and Lucas south 72 degrees 07 minutes 51 seconds east a distance of 178.00 feet to the point

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and place of beginning containing 1.51 acres and being a portion of the land described in deed to Broadwell Land Company and recorded in Deed Book 6905 at page 6 Cumberland County Registry.

2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Hope Mills, North Carolina, this 4th day of September, 2007.

EDDIE DEES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Phyllis C. Register, MMC, Town Clerk

10. CONSIDERATION TO AMEND THE REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE OCTOBER 15, 2007 REGULAR BOARD MEETING DUE TO A CONFLICT WITH THE N. C. LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE, OCTOBER 14-16, 2007.

Mr. Beeman reported the regularly scheduled Board meeting on October 15th would be held during the Annual North Carolina League of Municipalities Conference. He stated there were afternoon and evening events scheduled that conflicted with the Board meeting.

Mr. Beeman requested the Board consider either cancelling this meeting or rescheduling the meeting to another date, possibly Tuesday, October 16th or Monday, October 22nd. He stated staff would need a determination of the meeting date as soon as possible in order to schedule public hearings and publish legal ads.

Mayor Dees noted there would be no travel involved in those attending the Annual League Conference as it was being held in Fayetteville this year, and asked the Board to consider moving the meeting to October 16th or October 22nd.

Commissioner Collins stated he agreed with rescheduling the meeting to Tuesday, October 16th.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to cancel the October 15th Board meeting and reschedule the same to Tuesday, October 16th. Commissioner Luther seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS:

a) Town of Hope Mills 2007-2008 Tax Levy as submitted by the Cumberland County Tax Administrator.

Mr. Beeman presented the 2007-2008 tax levy for the town as provided by Mr. Aaron Donaldson, Cumberland County Tax Administrator.

b) Notice of award from the NCLM Risk Management Services for a \$250.00 Safety Grant to be used to purchase protective equipment, training, or other safety programming.

Mr. Beeman announced the Town had been awarded a Safety Grant for \$250.00 which was a result of a drawing held at the RMS Loss Control Summer Training Workshop held in Raleigh on August 7, 2007. He noted the \$250.00 award could only be used to purchase protective equipment, training, or other safety program needs that would help to reduce losses.

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- c) **South View High School Homecoming Parade, Sunday, September 23, 2007, 3:00 p.m., beginning at Hope Mills Middle School proceeding up Legion Road to Elk Road into the South View High School Parking Lot.**

Police Chief John Hodges reported South View High School had requested assistance with traffic control for their homecoming parade scheduled for Sunday, September 23rd, 3:00 p.m. Chief Hodges noted the parade would begin at Hope Mills Middle and proceed up Legion Road to Elk Road, turn right onto Elk Road and then proceed into the South View High School parking lot where the parade would terminate. He remarked the parade would consist of 75 units, and said he did approve the application for parade permit as signed by Principal Brian Edkins.

Mr. Beeman provided a copy of the letter submitted to the North Carolina Department of Transportation requesting permission to temporarily close a portion of Legion Road and a portion of Elk Road on Sunday, September 23rd.

12. OLD BUSINESS.

There was none.

13. STAFF CONCERNS.

There was none.

14. OFFICIAL CONCERNS.

Commissioner Smith commented as follows:

1. Thanked Rev. Bost for bringing the invocation.
2. Thanked all the citizens for attending the meeting.

Commissioner Gorman commented as follows:

1. Thanked everyone for attending the meeting.
2. Briefly reviewed the Police Department July activities report, and thanked all the police officers for their hard work. Commissioner Gorman also mentioned the Fire Department monthly activity report and all the numerous calls they responded to last month.
3. Thanked all employees for working in the extreme heat conditions.
4. Noted at the lake gazebo there was some rebar protruding that needed immediate attention.
5. Stated at the August 27th Appearance Commission meeting there were several concerns noted. Commissioner Gorman stated one concern was the cutting of trees behind Sammio's and also at an area near Commissioner Luther's house. Commissioner Gorman stated he had learned that the trees being cut behind Sammio's were on property actually located in the county and the Town therefore had no jurisdiction over this. In addition, Commissioner Gorman noted that the trees in the Bullard Street area had been removed by the Street Department crew in order to repair some storm drainage.

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6. Commissioner Gorman noted that the Appearance Commission also expressed concerns regarding junked and abandoned vehicles around town.

Mike Bailey, Chief Building Inspector, briefly reviewed the Town Ordinance definition of abandoned vehicles and junked motor vehicles. Mr. Bailey stated his department would be glad to investigate any situations and asked that the addresses be provided.

Commissioner Luther asked if the ordinance addressed vehicles being left at vacant houses or on vacant properties. Mr. Bailey requested that the address be provided and his department would investigate to determine the owner and determine the reason the vehicle was left at the property.

7. Commissioner Gorman noted that the Appearance Commission had a very good discussion on the Festival of Lights planned in December.
8. Stated that the Town clean-up day would be on Saturday, September 22nd and said the Board in the past had volunteered to clean Rockfish Road from Main Street approximately one mile up Rockfish Road.

Mayor Dees suggested that the Board clean the road all the way up to the Town Limit sign.

9. Reported he had received a citizen call and request for speed bumps on Archer Road. Commissioner Gorman asked the Manager to research this request and provide recommendations.

Commissioner Legge commented as follows:

1. Thanked everyone for attending the meeting.
2. Expressed appreciation to Mr. Dove for the presentation, and stated he thought contracting officials would benefit the Parks and Recreation Department as well as other departments.
3. Stated he hoped everyone had a safe and relaxing Labor Day holiday weekend.
4. Asked everyone to be constantly aware of safety as school was back in session.
5. Asked if the Police Department would be using the police car and mannequin in the school zone areas.

Chief Hodges stated the Traffic Section was patrolling all school zones, and they planned to utilize the mannequin later in the school year.

Commissioner Collins commented as follows:

1. Thanked everyone for attending the meeting.
2. Stated he appreciated the presentations made to the Board.
3. Asked the Manager to investigate the boat dock area as there was severe growth that needed weed eating and the

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cleaning of debris.

4. Congratulated the Mayor on his retirement from the SVHS Girls Softball team and said he was an experienced and deserving coach. He stated he had done a great job with the athletes over the years. Commissioner Collins stated he wished him the best next year when coaching T-ball.

Commissioner Luther commented as follows:

1. Commended the Town employees for attending the Risk Management Services Workshop held at the Recreation Center on August 7th, hosted by the North Carolina League of Municipalities, and said this was a very good meeting. Commissioner Luther remarked she wished more employees had attended the meeting.
2. Commended the Hope Mills Zoning Board on their very detailed and effective work.
3. Thanked all the citizens for attending the Board meeting and stated the Town needed volunteers and asked everyone to please volunteer.
4. Commented that some recently rezoned property on Hope Mills Road across from Tin City had been clear cut in the past few days and she was hopeful the owners would replace the trees.
5. Thanked Mr. Maynor for his presentation.
6. Thanked the Police Department for their prompt response to the recent bank robbery.
7. Recognized Mr. Maynor and Mrs. Jackie Warner, candidates in the 2007 Municipal Election.
8. Expressed condolences to the Jody Jarrell family in the passing of Mrs. Jarrell.
9. Asked if there were any plans to collect milk jugs this year for the Festival of Lights. A representative of the Appearance Commission commented from the audience they would not be collecting milk jugs this year and there would not be a collection point.

Mayor Dees commented as follows:

1. Thanked everyone for attending the meeting and hoped everyone had a great Labor Day weekend.
2. Reminded the Commissioners to contact Mrs. Register on their plans on attending the League of Municipalities Conference on October 14th -16th.
3. Stated there will be a number of young people from the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council attending the Youth Summit and that will be on Saturday, October 13th.
4. Congratulated Baptist Union Church who will be celebrating their 106th anniversary on Saturday, September 8th.
5. Congratulated Ms. Eva Reynolds, Hope Mills Senior

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Citizens Club, and said she will be 99 years old next week.

6. Stated he would like to extend his condolences to the family of Jody Jarrell in the passing of his wife.
7. Stated at the last meeting there was a mix up with retired dentist, Dr. William F. Grimes, who was going to make a presentation to the Friends of Hope Mills Lake. He noted that Dr. Grimes did send a check in the amount of \$2,000.00 to him to give to the Friends of Hope Mills Lake towards the spillway construction project.
8. Stated that Fire Chief Chuck Hodges gave him a memo today concerning the renaming of some roads in the area. Relative to the Hope Mills Bypass, he noted there was some discussion on what to actually name the Bypass. He stated there was some discussion on renaming the whole Bypass, but what he thought they had decided to do is as it stands right now was the section of the bypass between Legion Road and Camden Road will be Elk Road. The portion between Camden Road continuing past the Cumberland United Methodist Church to Cumberland Road will be George Owen Road as it has been and Bingham Drive will remain the same. Mayor Dees noted the section of Pinewood Drive that was cut off will be renamed and George Owen Road at Old Bluff Golf Course will be renamed as well.
9. Announced there will be a community forum on September 13th at the Arts Council on Hay Street, and any citizens interested in local government pertaining to the consolidation of county and municipalities are encouraged to attend.
10. Reminded everyone there were a lot of upcoming events; the Homecoming Parade, Cumberland County Fair on September 13th-23rd, State Fair October 12th-21st, International Folk Festival in downtown Fayetteville at Festival Park on September 29th and Hope Mills is a co-host of this year's event, Ole Mill Days is on Saturday, October 27th, and the next regular meeting is Monday, September 17th.

15. ADJOURNMENT.

At 8:36 p.m., upon a motion by Commissioner Collins, seconded by Commissioner Luther and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

EDDIE DEES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Phyllis C. Register, MMC, Town Clerk