

January 7th, 2014

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Randleman, NC 27317

A regular meeting of the Randleman Board of Aldermen was held on the above date with the following members present:

Melissa Blalock) Mayor Pro-Tempore

Cliff Bowman) Aldermen

Ray Hudson, Jr.)

Mike Dawkins)

Eric Ward)

Ron Niland) Consultant

Bob Wilhoit) Attorney

Mayor Jernigan) Absent

Don Hulbert, Pastor of First Wesleyan Church gave a prayer.

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Pro-Tempore, Melissa Blalock called the meeting to order. Mayor Jernigan was absent due to attending school for newly elected Mayors.

Approval of Minutes of December 3rd, 2013

A motion was made by Alderman Hudson, seconded by Alderman Bowman, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of December 3rd, 2013, investments, and department reports.

Public Comment

No one was present wishing to speak.

Recognition of City Employee – Milk Milks

Fireman Mike Milks was recognized as the employee of the month. Chief Marty Leonard stated that Mike started as a volunteer fireman in 1990 and became full time in 1994. In 2000 he was named as a shift captain and is a valuable employee.

Recognition of Community Business

Melvin's Variety owner Butch Hardy was recognized as the business of the month. He and his family have been in business for many years and Melvin's is a fixture in our downtown.

Jerry Holden /Wrecker Service

Mr. Holden addressed the Board and requested that the city's current towing policy be revisited.

There was discussion that this item should be considered at the Board retreat in February.

A motion was made by Alderman Bowman, seconded by Alderman Hudson, and upon the following vote the motion passed:

Ayes

Blalock

Bowman

Ward

Hudson

Nays

Dawkins

2012-2013 Audit

Mr. Ben Ripple with Bernard Robinson & Company was in attendance to present the 2012-2013 audit.

Some of the financial highlights were:

The assets of the City of Randleman exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the fiscal year by \$15,033,553 (net position).

The government's total net position increased by \$362,664 primarily due to property tax collections in the General Fund and utility charges in the Water and Sewer Fund.

As of the close of the current fiscal year, the City of Randleman's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$4,365,041 a decrease of \$761,889 in comparison with the prior year. Approximately 29.8% of this total amount, or \$1,299,835, is non spendable or restricted.

At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was \$1,997,538, or 47.1%, of total General Fund expenditures for the fiscal year.

The City of Randleman maintained its BBB+ bond rating from Standard & Poor's Corporation.

Polecat Creek Dam Report

Engineers from S & ME have conducted a Preliminary Dam Condition Assessment of the Polecat Creek Dam, which is currently classified as High Hazard Dam by NCDENR. Their findings show no need for emergency repairs, however, some maintenance repairs have been recommended.

Manager's Report

1. A Street Scape Project from the round-a-bouts to Academy Street and Naomi Street to City Hall are being considered by the D.O.T.
2. Tank Progress – The painting of the water tank on Hilliary Street is almost complete.
3. Phase II Downtown – Plans will be ready in February for the farmer's market and the veteran's memorial.
4. Canopy Removal – This project is still in the future plans for downtown.
5. Water Line Update – Progress is still being made on the replacement of old water lines.
6. Board Retreat – Tuesday, February 25th was set as the date for the board retreat.

Closed Session N.C.G.S.§143-318.11(3),(4),(5)(6)

A motion was made by Alderman Dawkins, seconded by Alderman Ward, and unanimously carried to go into closed session.

Reopen Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Alderman Dawkins, seconded by Alderman Bowman, and unanimously carried to re-open the regular meeting.

Appointment of Nick Holcomb as Interim Manager

A motion was made by Alderman Ward, seconded by Alderman Hudson, and unanimously carried to appoint Nick Holcomb as Interim Manager with a salary of \$32,000.

All American Associates

A motion was made by Alderman Dawkins, seconded by Alderman Bowman, and unanimously carried to approve a two year contract with All American Associates for consulting services with Ron Niland as the consultant.

Adjourn

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Bowman, seconded by Alderman Hudson, and unanimously carried.

**Melissa Blalock,
Mayor, Pro-Tempore**

**Peggy N. Hinshaw,CMC,NCCMC
Clerk to the Board**