



## BOARD OF ALDERMAN

Monday, January 08, 2024 at 6:00 PM

Landis Board Room

## MINUTES

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**PLEASE SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES**

**Present:** Mayor Meredith Smith, Mayor Pro-Tem Ashley Stewart, Alderman Tony Corriher, Alderman Darrell Overcash, Alderman Ryan Nelms

**Staff Present:** Town Manager Michael Ambrose, Human Resources Director/Town Clerk Madison Stegall, Finance Director Jeneen McMillen, Deputy Town Clerk Angie Sands, Town Attorney Rick Locklear, PZ&S Administrator Rick Flowe, Fire Chief Jason Smith, Police Chief Matthew Geelen, Police Officer Buddy Porter Jr.

### 1. INTRODUCTION:

#### 1.1 Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

#### 1.2 Welcome

Mayor Smith welcomed those in attendance.

#### 1.3 Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Smith led those in attendance in a Moment of Silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 1.4 Adoption of Agenda

**ACTION: A MOTION WAS MADE TO ADOPT THE AGENDA WITH THE REMOVAL OF 6.6.**

Moved by Ashley Stewart, seconded by Darrell Overcash

Motion Passed: 4-0

Voting For: Ashley Stewart, Darrell Overcash, Tony Corriher, Ryan Nelms

**2. CONSENT AGENDA:**

*All items below are considered to be routine by the Board of Aldermen and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless an Aldermen member so requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed in the appropriate corresponding Agenda Section to then be considered.*

**ACTION: A MOTION WAS MADE TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED SELECTING THE LOWEST BIDDER G&S HEATING AND AIR FOR THE HEATERS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT BAY.**

Moved by Ashley Stewart, seconded by Tony Corriher

Motion Passed: 4-0

Voting For: Ashley Stewart, Tony Corriher, Ryan Nelms, Darrell Overcash

**2.1 Consider Approval of Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes from December 11, 2023**

**2.2 Consider Approval of Continuation of Pool Chemical Contract for 2024 with Caribbean Pool**

**2.3 Consider Approval of 120Water to Conduct Lead Service Line Inventory**

**2.4 Consider Approval of New Heaters and Installation for the Fire Department Bay**

**3. PRESENTATIONS:**

**3.1 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Proclamation**

Mayor Smith Presented the 2024 MLK Jr. Proclamation and deemed January 15, 2024, Martin Luther King Jr. Day in the Town of Landis

**3.2 Employee Recognition- Life Saving Award- (Buddy Porter Jr.)**

Chief Geelen presented Officer Buddy Porter Jr. with a lifesaving award.

**4. CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

*All citizen comments are limited to 3 minutes.*

**4.1 Citizens' Comments**

- **Nadine Cherry- 410 W. Garden Street**

“With all the new construction going on at Town Hall and The Board of Alderman Room, I would think we may have been required to have a permit for this work. So, therefore, I hope someone did enquire about this issue. Federal monies I believe were used when some of this work was done way back in early 2000. I do hope the USDA was made aware of what’s being done. The covid monies the Town received to put in new plexiglass windows, at the places where we pay our bills. I would like to say this in finishing my comments this evening, I do hope that everyone had a chance to get their Town of Landis and Rowan County tax bills paid on time, so no one had to pay very high interest on these bills. Thanks, have a good evening.”

**5. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:**

**5.1 Consider Approval of Voluntary Annexation of Property on S. Chapel St.**

**ACTION: A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #2024-01-08-1 DIRECTING CLERK TO INVESTIGATE AN ANNEXATION PETITION.**

Moved by Ashley Stewart, seconded by Darrell Overcash

Motion Passed: 4-0

Voting For: Ashley Stewart, Tony Corriher, Ryan Nelms, Darrell Overcash

**ACTION: A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #2024-01-08-2 TO CALL A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PETITION FOR ANNEXATION SET FOR FEBRUARY 12, 2024, AT 6:00 PM**

Moved by Ashley Stewart, seconded by Darrell Overcash

Motion Passed: 4-0

Voting For: Ashley Stewart, Tony Corriher, Ryan Nelms, Darrell Overcash

**6. CONSIDERATIONS:**

**6.1 Consider Approval of New Lake Corriher Park Signs**

Discussion was had amongst Board members regarding how the Lake Corriher Park signs should look and where to place them. The Board asked to get 3 revised quotes.

**ACTION: A MOTION WAS MADE TO TABLE ITEM 6.1 UNTIL FEBRUARY 6, 2024.**

Moved by Ashley Stewart, seconded by Ryan Nelms

Motion Passed: 4-0

Voting For: Ashley Stewart, Ryan Nelms, Tony Corriher, Darrell Overcash

**6.2 Consider Approval of Reducing the Speed Limit in the Oaks of Landis**

Chief Geelen explained to the Board that we had numerous complaints about speeding in the Oaks of Landis. It is his belief that reducing the speed limit to 15 MPH and more enforcement will greatly improve the safety of the community and address the concerns of the citizens.

The HOA President of the Oaks of Landis, Shelly Morgan, expressed her concerns about the speeding in the Oaks of Landis as well. She agreed with Chief Geelen that the speed limit should be changed from 25 MPH to 15 MPH.

**ACTION: A MOTION WAS MADE TO REDUCE THE SPEED LIMIT IN THE OAKS OF LANDIS FROM 25 MPH TO 15 MPH**

Moved by Darrell Overcash, seconded by Ashley Stewart

Motion Passed: 4-0

Voting For: Darrell Overcash, Ashley Stewart, Tony Corriher, Ryan Nelms

**6.3 Consider Update Regarding Speed-Related Concerns on South Kimmons Street**  
Chief Geelen updated the Board regarding speed concerns on South Kimmons Street. The Landis PD conducted a six-day speed study. The average speed was 28.17 MPH one way and 25 MPH the other way. With continued traffic enforcement measures in that area, he believes we will have our problem resolved.

**6.4 Consider Approval of Surplusing the ODB Leaf Machine with a Reserve of \$10,000**

**ACTION: A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE SURPLUSING THE OBD LEAF MACHINE WITH A RESERVE OF \$10,000.**

Moved by Ashley Stewart, seconded by Ryan Nelms

Motion Passed: 4-0

Voting For: Ashley Stewart, Ryan Nelms, Tony Corriher, Darrell Overcash

**6.5 Consider Discussion of Downtown Revitalization**

Town Manager Michael Ambrose and Mayor Smith met with Representative Krutchfield and Senator Ford regarding issues around town. The town was given \$100,000 through legislature to revitalize the downtown areas. The Board discussed what they would like to see the money used for.

Mayor Smith expressed that both North and South Central Ave needs new banners and Town Hall does as well. Mayor Smith also talked about some of the brickwork around the shrubs downtown that needs some work but was cautious if the Railroad owned that property. Attorney Locklear stated that the Town does own the property where the shrubs are planted so there would be no issue with revamping them. Mayor Pro Tem Stewart stated that he would like to see nice landscaping done on N and S Central Ave.

**6.6 REMOVED - Consider Approval of Remodel for Board Room Foyer and Town Hall Lobby Floor Removed.**

## **7. REPORTS:**

**7.1 Departmental Reports (Included in the Board packet)**

**7.2 Financial Report (Included in the Board packet)**

**7.3 Town Manager Report (Included in the Board packet)**

## **8. UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**8.1 Upcoming Events (Included in the Board packet)**

Mayor Smith reminded everyone that Town Hall would be closed on Monday, January 15, 2024, for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

**9. CLOSING:**

**9.1 Board Comments**

No comments

**9.2 Motion to Adjourn**

**ACTION: A MOTION WAS MADE AT 6:47 PM TO ADJOURN.**

Moved by Ashley Stewart, seconded by Tony Corriher

Motion Passed: 4-0

Voting For: Ashley Stewart, Tony Corriher, Ryan Nelms, Darrell Overcash

Respectfully Submitted,

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Madison T. Stegall, Town Clerk