

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Town of Sylva Board of Commissioners
August 09, 2018

The Town of Sylva Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting on August 9, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room of Municipal Hall, 83 Allen Street, Sylva, N.C.

PRESENT: Lynda Sossamon, Mayor
Barbara Hamilton, Vice-Mayor
Mary Gelbaugh, Commissioner
Harold Hensley, Commissioner
Greg McPherson, Commissioner
David Nestler, Commissioner

Amanda Murajda, Town Clerk
Eric Ridenour, Town Attorney

ABSENT:

Mayor Sossamon called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT: Rick Bryson (Asst. Police Chief) and Tammy Hooper (Police Chief).

VISITORS: Phil Haire and Dave Russell.

AGENDA: *Commissioner Nestler made a motion to add an item to the agenda for the discussion of contacting Asheville Design Center for help with the NC Hwy 107 project. The motion carries with a unanimous vote. Commissioner Gelbaugh made a motion to approve the amended agenda. The motion carries with a unanimous vote.*

CONSENT AGENDA: *Commissioner McPherson made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion carries with a unanimous vote.*

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Phil Haire addressed the board and discussed the overgrowth of kudzu in the Town of Sylva.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Sossamon attended the Police Department's National Night Out celebration.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Commissioner Gelbaugh would like to research if there is a way to keep in constant communication with residents and business owners throughout the Highway 107 project. She told the board that she witnessed the Sylva Police Department patrolling speeding cars on Highway 107 contrary to what comments were made at a previous public hearing. Gelbaugh also attended the departments National Night Out celebration. Commissioner McPherson thanked the Police Department for the celebration. He noted that he was happy to see the attendance at the Highway 107 public hearing. He added that he did not appreciate Representative Mike Clampitt's comments during the hearing. Commissioner Hamilton thanked the Police Department for their work and commended them on a successful National Night Out celebration.

MANAGERS REPORT: Manager Dowling was at the NC Main Street Manager's meeting in Morehead City, NC.

MAIN STREET REPORT: None.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: None.

NEW BUSINESS

ASHEVILLE DESIGN CENTER: Commissioner Nestler would like the board to consider contacting Asheville Design Center about assistance with improving NCDOT design for the new Highway 107 project. *Commissioner Nestler made a motion to direct the Town Manager to contact Asheville Design Center and schedule a meeting for the board to meet with them. The motion carries with a unanimous vote.*

ADJOURNMENT: *Commissioner Hensley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. The motion carries with a unanimous vote.*

Lynda Sossamon
Mayor

Amanda W. Murajda
Town Clerk