

**State of Mississippi  
Carroll County  
Town of North Carrollton**

**MINUTES**

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, that the Regular Session for the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the Town of North Carrollton, Mississippi were held on **October 1, 2013**, to conduct the following official business.

**Official Attendance**

Mayor Dianne S. Slocum	Present
Alderman Tom Hearn	Present
Alderman Mitchell Costilow	Absent
Alderman Edward Carpenter	Present
Alderwoman Jenifer Houston	Present
Alderman Christopher R. Givens	Present
Town Clerk Glynnis Taylor	Present
Water Director Galen Shumaker	Present
Account - Howard Davis	Absent
Attorney – Ryan Taylor	Present

**Public Attendee(s)**

Susie James – Reporter for the Conservator  
Tracy Robinson – Carroll County 4H

**Agenda Attendee(s)**

**Mayor, Dianne S. Slocum called the meeting to Order** at 6:00 and Alderman (Brother) Edward Carpenter opened with prayer.

1. Mayor Slocum asked the board to accept the agenda as was. Alderwoman Houston made the motion to accept the agenda. Alderman Givens made the second motion. Ayes – All, Nays - None
2. The board of Aldermen and Alderwoman reviewed the minutes. Alderman Carpenter made the motion to approve the minutes. Alderwoman Houston made the second motion. Ayes – All, Nays – None
3. Public Comment was made by Tracy Robertson – Carroll County 4H spokesperson. Ms. Robinson asked the board for permission to use the old ball field adjacent to the Blue Ox Lumber Company. The field in question was the one in the “hole”. Ms. Robertson teaches two (2) sports, one being Youth on Target and the other is ATV Rider course. The courses will start October 24, 2013 thru May 2014. After further discussion the board voted to grant permission for use of the ball fields for the said sports. Alderwoman Houston made the motion; Alderman Carpenter made the second motion. Ayes – All- Nays – none

4. Unfinished business was an update on the sale of the bush hog / finishing mower. Alderwoman Houston said she is still waiting to hear from the man about a price for the equipment. Also Alderwoman Houston submitted a quote for an AG Sprayer. The quote submitted was from AG Spray Equipment, Greenwood, MS. A 200 gallon pco skid sprayer with a 5.5 hp Honda centrifugal pump with a 12" manual hose reel. The quote was for a cost of \$2,730.00. Other unfinished business discussed. Culvert for Dr. Sanders, Mayor Slocum said the culvert has been delivered and will be installed by Supervisor Herbert. Also another load of cold mix has been order for the speed bumps and Supervisor Herbert will have that delivered as well. Mayor Slocum said the town has received no word on the grant for painting the water tanks. Mayor Slocum said she called Governor Phil Bryant's office and spoke to a Mr. Champion who is from Greenwood regarding the said grant.

5. New business discussed was approval of participating in the development of the District Three (3) Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan and to designate Gail Beard to represent the Town of North Carrollton. Alderman Hearn made a motion to participate in the plan and to designate Gail Beard as representative for the town. Alderman Carpenter made the second motion. Ayes – All, Nays - None

6. Alderwoman Houston gave an overview of the upcoming Big Sand Creek Festival scheduled for October 5, 2013. Everything is coming together. Alderwoman Houston along with Mrs. Barbara Sheppard was on Good Morning Mississippi this morning to promote the Big Sand Creek Festival as well as the Carrollton Pilgrimage. Some events have been amended and changed. Everything as of now is a go. Mayor Slocum also commended Alderman Givens along with the Masonic Lodge for cleaning up the sidewalks. Mayor Slocum also commended the board and the whole town working together for the said event. Mayor Slocum suggested that we prepare letter to hand out to businesses and residents to urge everyone to clean up and help make the town ready for the festival and the upcoming homecoming parades. Mayor asked the clerk to prepare the said letter. Also Mayor Slocum commended Alderman Costilow for the flag stands he made for the board room.

7. Other new business discussed was the upcoming Delta State Luncheon, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013. Mayor Slocum said that she could not attend; if anyone was like to represent the town then they could go. Alderman Carpenter gave an update on the Cross and said that our FCA students in our area will meet the Grenada County FCA students at the Carroll County Line on Highway 35. The students will the carry the cross to the Carrollton Courthouse. Arrival time is estimated around 4:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. The FCA students will then hand the cross off to the Carrollton / North Carrollton Mayors. Then the mayor will welcome everyone and there will be a small program given by the students.

8. Other new business discussed was the town well yard property. Mayor Slocum informed the board that Wayne Carpenter said that someone had ruttet it up. Mayor Slocum said she had looked at the said property and Wayne suggested we build a fence and put a ten (10) foot gate up to keep out other trespassers. After further discussion Alderman Hearn said he would assess the area and report back to the board.

9. Mayor also gave a report on the flooding the recent heavy rain caused, especially on Morgan Street. Mayor Slocum said the only thing she knows to do is perhaps clean the ditches and culverts out. After further discussion the board agreed again for Galen Shumaker to clean the ditches out. Mayor also said she has attended a meeting with MDOT. Mayor said that she will be persistent in trying to obtain some culverts for the town. The Carroll County Schools system in North Carrollton has 16 buses/routes, 1,023 students and 120 employees. The town needs to do everything in its power to maintain adequate roads for the schools.

10. Also under reports Mayor Slocum read a letter to the board from Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Palmertree. The letter stated that their fence was damaged due to a driver losing control and crashing into their fence. Mrs. Palmertree said this was the second time in recent years that this has happened. Mrs. Palmertree requested that the town install another speed bump and also guard rails outside their fence that is adjacent to the curve. After further discussion the board decided to install another speed bump and to take under consideration and evaluate the request for the guard rails.

11. Mayor said that the annual Certification – Municipal Compliance Questionnaire had been completed. Also the Public Depositors had been completed. The 2013 and 2014 Budget Public Hearing and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Hearing for the CDBG Sewer Improvements Projects was also held. The town also received a submission of a request letter for verification of eligibility on American Infrastructure and the award notification regarding sewer improvements.

12. The clerk presented the financial report and the payables to the board for approval. Alderman Carpenter made the motion to accept the financial report and pay the payables. Alderwoman Houston made the second motion. Ayes – All, Nays – None

Mayor Slocum asked the board to go into an Executive Session on a Personnel issue. The board went into an Executive Session on a motion by Alderman Hearn and seconded by Alderman Carpenter with all in favor.

The board then came out of Executive Session on a motion made by Alderman Carpenter and seconded by Alderwoman Houston with all in favor.

The Mayor announced that the Board was out of Executive Session

Therefore being no further business Alderman Tom Hearn made the motion to adjourn. Alderman Carpenter made the second motion. Ayes – All, Nays - None

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MAYOR

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TOWN CLERK