

**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 **September 5, 2017** to conduct the following official business.

Official Attendance

Mayor Cooper L. Misskelley	Present
Alderman Tom Hearn	Present
Alderman Mitchell Costilow	Present
Alderman Edward Carpenter	Present
Alderman Christopher R. Givens	Present
Alderman Ken Strachan	Present
Water Director Galen Shumaker	Present
CPA - Howard Davis	Present
Attorney – Ryan Taylor	Absent

Public Attendee(s)

Upchurch Telecom – Tim Welch – Absent

Agenda Attendee(s)

Howard Davis – CPA - Present

Mayor, Cooper L. Misskelley called the meeting to Order at 6:00 p.m. and Alderman Carpenter opened with prayer.

1. Mayor Misskelley asked the board to approve the agenda. Ken Strachan asked to amend the agenda by adding a report on the Veterans Cemetery in Kosciusko, Ms. Alderman Strachan made the motion to amend and approve the agenda. Alderman Carpenter made the second motion. Ayes – All, Nays – None.
2. The board of Aldermen reviewed the minutes. Alderman Carpenter made the motion to approve the minutes. Alderman Hearn made the second motion to approve the minutes. Ayes- All, Nays-None.
3. Unfinished business discussed was the advertisement for the brochure for the upcoming Carrollton Pilgrimage – 2017. Alderman Strachan said that Ms. Milton, Advertising Consultant for the Conservative, called him regarding the said advertisement. Alderman Strachan said that for a ½ page ad will be at a cost of \$125.00. Alderman Strachan said that he has all the info ready to send the Conservative like he had submitted previously for the recent sports edition. After

further discussion Alderman Costilow made a motion to purchase the ad. Alderman Strachan made a second motion. Ayes- All, Nays – None.

4. Other unfinished business discussed was the Boyd Rate Increase. Water Director, Galen Shumaker said the Profit & Loss report submitted to the Public Service Commission showed a loss of \$20,000, plus the money that was taken From North Carrollton Water to fund Boyd put the loss at around \$60,000. Mr. Shumaker submitted a report for the board to review of the current gallons used at Boyd. The board reviewed the report and voted for Mr. Shumaker to proceed with the proposed rate increase, which is the same present rate as the Town of North Carrollton. The board discussed the proposed rate and length. Alderman Carpenter made the motion to proceed with the said rate increase. Alderman Hearn made the second motion. Ayes- All, Nays – None.

5. New business to be discussed was the request of tower service for residential internet. Mr. Tim Welch was absent to discuss the said request.

6. New business discussed was the proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year 2017 – 2018. Mr. Davis said the town has an excess cash starting out right for the upcoming budget year. Mayor Misskelley said it is difficult for a town to operate on 35 mills with 2 of those mills going toward the Fire Fund. Compared to what other towns present mills are, our town millage is very low in comparison. A mill for North Carrollton generates around \$1800.00. After further discussion Alderman Carpenter made the motion to adopt and approve the proposed budget. Alderman Strachan made the second motion. Ayes- All, Nays – None.

7. Other new business discussed was the 1999/2000 model school bus that was given to the fire department to be used as a mobile command center. The purchase of a ready to use trailer will eliminate the need for the bus. The bus has a server wiring issues, and due to its condition the fire department would like to “scrap” the bus by the way of the board’s vote. Once “scrapped” the fire department will send the bus to the scrap yard and those funds will be sent back to the town to be put on the loan for the new command trailer. The bus will be sold to the scrap yard at a market value price. Alderman Strachan made the motion to scrap the bus. Alderman Hearn made the second motion. Ayes – All, Nays – None.

8. Reports:

- Mayor Misskelley gave a report regarding the drainage issues at Mrs. Palmertree’s residence. Mayor Misskelley said that he responded to Mr. Palmertree letter and has also contacted Rural Development, Area Specialist, Timothy Baker, Willis Engineering, Kim Vance and Water Director, Galen Shumaker to also to find any funding for the said issue. Mayor Misskelley asked the board to assess the situation as well and see if they can come up with any solutions to address the situation. Mayor Misskelley said that he even attended the Carroll County Board of Supervisors meeting to see if he could get any assistance cleaning out the ditches in areas where a track hoe is needed. Mayor Misskelley said the only supervisor to offer assistance was Supervisor Beat 1, Mr. Jim Neil, even though the area was not in his beat.
- Report was given reading the Annual Changes to Gasoline Diversion, due to the change North Carrollton will receive \$191.73 each month related to gasoline diversion. This change will

become effective in September 2017 revenue distribution payment, and is combined with revenue from the sales tax city diversion and any special levies the city may/may not have adopted.

- Sales Tax was down
- Alderman Costilow said that he and the Mayor have discussed hosting a cookout for the senior citizens of the town (65 or older). The alderman will help out as well and all items will be donated. The location will be determined when the date is set.
- Alderman Strachan gave a report on the Veterans Cemetery. Alderman Strachan said that he attended the Dedication opening which was held a couple of weeks ago. The cemetery has a 75 mile radius which makes Carroll County in the center. The burial site will be for all branches of service and their spouses can be laid to rest there as well. The site of the cemetery will provide more of general location for burial than to have to travel far off where other Veterans Cemeteries are located. The cemetery will provide a vault, headstone at no cost to the servicemen/women that are buried there. Governor Bryant headed up the dedication.

Alderman Hearn made the motion to accept the financial report and to pay the payables. Alderman Strachan made the second motion. Ayes- All, Nays – None

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

Mayor

Clerk