

**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 **February 7, 2017** 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
Alderman Christopher R. Givens	Present
Alderman Ken Strachan	Present
Water Director Galen Shumaker	Present
CPA - Howard Davis	Absent
Attorney - Ryan Taylor	Absent

Public Attendee(s)

None

Agenda Attendee(s)

None

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

1. Mayor Slocum asked the board to amend and approve the agenda. Added was new business of 4K drainage & ditch on George Street .Alderman Strachan made the motion to approve the amended agenda. Alderman Givens 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 removal of tree on R/Road track adjacent to the Tee & Gee Lounge. The clerk submitted a quote from, Doyle Carpenter in the amount of \$1,000.00. The board discussed that the town needed to make sure that the tree was on city property. Alderman Hearn made the motion to accept the quote, Alderman Strachan made the

second motion to have the tree removed, if the tree was on city property. Alderman Carpenter said that he would find out about the property line. Ayes – All, Nays – None

4. Other unfinished business was the upgraded lighting for the street lights. Entergy changed the wattage for 150 to 400 on the street light in front of the bank for the board to assess. Alderman Carpenter made the motion to upgrade the wattage to 400 watts. Alderman Strachan made the second motion. Ayes- All, Nays – None

5. New business discussed was the Canon Image Runner 201181. The clerk suggested to the board to declare the copier obsolete and to junk the copier, since it is no longer running. The clerk suggested to give it to Mid-South Copier in Greenwood for said parts that were salvageable. After further discussion Alderman Givens made the motion to declare the copier junk and to give it to Mid-South Copier. Alderman Carpenter made the second motion. Ayes- Alderman Strachan and Nays- Alderman Hearn.

6. New business discussed the installation for plug-ins for the Christmas pole decorations. The clerk submitted a quote from Doyle Carpenter in the amount of \$600.00 for 4 plug-ins. This quote included parts and labor. After further discussion Alderman Hearn made the motion to accept the quote. Alderman Strachan made the second motion. Ayes- All – Nays – None

7. Also discussed was the new business of Docket # 17-AD-001. Mississippi Public Service will be proceeding to investigate and review for informational purposes a reduction of utility rates for the families of deployed servicemen.

8. Other new business discussed was opening up a separate bank account for the CDBG Grant – Grant# 1132 Contract #16-278-PF-01. This account will be opened at Peoples Bank & Trust Company in North Carrollton. Signatures on the account will be Mayor Dianne S. Slocum and Vice- Mayor Alderman Costilow. Once the project is completed the account will be closed. Alderman Strachan made the motion to open the said account at Peoples Bank & Trust and to close the account once the project is completed. Alderman Carpenter made the second motion. Ayes- All – Nays – None

9. New business discussed the Request for Cash from North Central Planning and Development. This request for cash was for Administration Cost. The request for cash was \$5000.00. Alderman Carpenter made the motion to approve the request for cash. Alderman Hearn made the second motion. Ayes- All, Nays – None

10. Alderman Hearn discussed the new business of cleaning out the ditch in George Street, The ditch is from Mr. Beckwith's to the railroad track. After further discussion Mayor Slocum said that she would contact Supervisor Brown regarding the said ditch. Alderman Carpenter discussed the water drainage at 4K. Mr. Shumaker said that the repairs will be done in the spring/summer, he will have a plan for the board to look at regarding closing of the road and diverting traffic in the area while the repairs are being made. The repairs will be for a time frame of a couple of days. He will also be contacting the Highway Department as well. Alderman Ken Strachan said that Galen Shumaker and the Town Hall did a good job with the handling the said

situation at Hampstead .Mr. Shumaker discussed the leak at Hampstead which resulted in the portion of 25 feet of road collapsing. The leak was caused by a coupling at one of the residential houses adjacent to Hampstead. Mr. Shumaker said that he will contact Mike Taggers office and see if the town can get any assistance with the said repairs of paving the area that collapsed. Also the culvert at J.Z. George was discussed. The culvert was stopped up with debris, Wayne Carpenter has tried to unstop it, but does not have the means to unstop it all the way. Mr. Shumaker said that he will blow out the culvert.

Mayor's Reports:

- Sales Tax down
- Mayor Slocum reported that all the town and county personnel was on hand and repairs were done ASAP on the collapsed road at Hampstead.
- FEMA Flood Management will have a proposal at the next board meeting for the board to review.
- Mississippi United Homeless had contacted the mayor regarding any homeless people in the area. Mayor Slocum said if the board knew of any to contact the said agency.
- CCDA met at North Carrollton and Mayor Slocum provided breakfast for the meeting.
- Mayor Slocum also said that she was unable to attend a meeting for the area mayors. This meeting was hosted by North Central Planning and Development and the speaker was Transportation Commissioner, Mike Taggart. Mayor Slocum said that had sent a note to Mr. Taggart that she would be unable to attend the meeting.

Alderman Carpenter 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 Strachan made the motion to adjourn. Alderman Carpenter made the second motion. Ayes – All, Nays- None

Mayor

Clerk