

TOWN OF WALLACE
Continued Meeting
October 26, 2021
6:00 p.m.

The Town Council of the Town of Wallace continued its monthly meeting on Thursday, October 26, 2021 at 6 pm in the Council Chambers.

The following Governing Body members were present:

Mayor Charles C. Farrior, Jr.
Council Member/ Mayor Pro-Tem Wannetta Carlton
Council Member Frank Brinkley
Council Member Jeffrey Carter
Council Member Francisco Rivas-Diaz
Council Member Jason Wells

The following Governing Body members were absent:

NONE

Also present were:

Larry Bergman, Town Manager	Anna Herring, Town Attorney
Jackie Nicholson, Town Clerk	Jason Davis
Rod Fritz, Planning Director	Andy Honeycutt, MeterSYS
Gage King, Airport Manager	Rodger Sauls, MeterSYS
	John Massey, Talbert & Bright

Mayor Farrior reconvened the meeting with a quorum of the governing body members present.

AMI Metering Technology Presentation and Discussion by Meter Sys

Andy Honeycutt, President, Chief Consulting Office, MeterSYS, made a presentation on the services they provide. Mr. Honeycutt said MeterSYS is a metering consultant firm that advises on effective metering and billing operations independent of manufacturers and distributors. Their services can be in the form a traditional capital project where aside from limited software support, provides no other services or, as a service with monthly services and support.

North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) Right-of-Way Maintenance Agreement Renewal

Town Manager Larry Bergman said that the Town has been maintaining the NCDOT railroad right-of-way for many years and DOT has recently requested a renewal agreement. Manager Bergman asked if they would consider an increase for time, consumables, wear and tear on equipment and an annual percentage increase since the Town has received \$2,500 for some years. They have agreed. Town Attorney Anna Heath has reviewed the agreement and

recommended some deletions; Section VI. C Liability and Section I Indemnification of Department. Ms. Heath said she did not believe NCDOT would agree to that.

Council Member Wannetta Carlton made a motion to approve Right-Of-Way Maintenance Reimbursement Agreement either with or without the changes recommended by the Attorney. The motion was seconded by Council Member Francisco Rivas-Diaz and approved unanimously.

PARTF (Parks and Recreation Trust Fund) Agreement Approval

Manager Bergman said the Town received the PARTF grant packet and asked for official approval and to authorize the Mayor to sign it.

Council Member Jeff Carter made a motion to approve the PARTF Grant agreement and authorize the Mayor to sign. Council Member Rivas-Diaz seconded the motion and it was approved by unanimous vote.

Update/Discussion of Armory Renovations Proposals

Manager Bergman stated that bids were opened today for renovation of the Armory. The lowest bid was received from DPH General Contractors. Manager Bergman asked the Council to allow him to move forward drafting a contract and determining how to pay for it. The Council directed him to move forward with it.

Closed Session

Council Member Jason Wells made a motion to go into closed session (G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3) and(5)) to discuss just compensation for the acquisition of property and to consult with the Town Attorney and maintain attorney-client privilege. The motion was seconded by Council Member Carlton and unanimously approved.

Determination of Just Compensation for Airport Properties M and N

John Massey, Talbert & Bright, identified the properties and spoke about the appraisal process. and the just compensation amount. The Council agreed with the proposed just compensation.

Discussion of Building Settlement Value

Manager Bergman provided an update to the Council on an estimate for the settlement or reimbursement of damages to a building on Main Street.

Council Member Carter made a motion to end the closed session which was seconded by Council Member Frank Brinkley and approved by unanimous vote.

Council Member Wells made a motion to offer the property owners the amounts discussed in closed session. The motion was seconded by Council Member Brinkley and approved by a unanimous vote.

There being no further business to discuss Council Member Carter made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Wells and approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles C. Farrior, Jr., Mayor

Jacqueline Nicholson, MMC, NCCMC
Town Clerk