

Minutes for Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting
Pikeville Town Hall
6:00 pm, Thursday, Jun 27, 2024

Present: Mayor Johnston, Commissioner West, Commissioner Thomas, Commissioner Langston

Absent: Vacant Seats (2)

Staff Present: Tim Biggerstaff, Town Manager, Harry Lorello, Town Attorney, Rodney Jarman, Police Chief, Wendy Holland, Town Clerk

Mayor Johnston called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Mayor Johnston gave the invocation.

Mayor Johnston led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Adoption:

Commissioner West made a motion to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Thomas seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Old Business:

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to adopt the 24/25 Budget. Commissioner Langston seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

New Business:

A. Interested Candidates to Fill Vacant Commissioner Seats

Reding Pittman- 205 Baker Drive, Pikeville

Mr. Pittman grew up in Pikeville and expressed his interest in the vacant commissioner seat. He chose Pikeville to move back to because he loves the town and wants to do good things for the betterment of Pikeville. Mr. Pittman is currently on the planning board.

William King (Buddy)-202 W. Church Street, Pikeville

Mr. King is a retired Deputy Sheriff. He moved to the town of Pikeville and loves the community and people. He has fifty years of law enforcement experience and would like the opportunity to serve on the board. Mr. King is now the K-5 school resource officer for Northeast and Tommys Road.

Raymond Deck – 504 W. Church Street, Pikeville

Mr. Deck is the Associate Pastor for Freedom Baptist Church, Goldsboro. Mr. Deck handles the budget and administrative tasks for the church. He would like the opportunity to serve the people of Pikeville.

B. Planning Board Request

Joanna Johnston and Reding Pitman, Planning Board requested approval for additional training and education for the planning board. The East Carolina Council will discuss and explain the 160D and provide training for a fee of \$500.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve the \$500 rider on the contract. Commissioner Langston seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

C. Budget Amendments- Wendy Holland

Regional Economic Development Grant

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve the Capital Project Ordinance appropriating \$950K in Special Activities and \$50K in Capital Outlay. Commissioner West seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

150K Grant

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve Budget Amendment #32 increasing the Water/Sewer Grant Project Fund \$2,250 and decreasing Water Sewer Fund Professional Services \$2,250. Commissioner Langston seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Public Comments:

Katie Chegwiddden-307 W. Ham Street, Pikeville

Mrs. Chegwiddden addressed her concerns with the change of government.

She requested the commissioners to reconsider the vote. She has a total of 76 signatures requesting the form of government remain as a manager form of government.

Darryl Johnston – 305 W. Ham Street, Pikeville

Mr. Johnston requested the board not to change the form of government.

He requested the resignation of the mayor and feels he has violated his oath.

Kellie West- 115 Collingwood Drive, Pikeville

Mrs. West inquired on the term of the open seats and expressed her desire to serve on the planning committee.

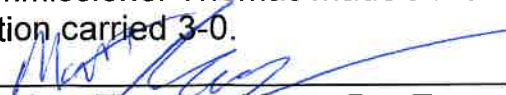
Closed Session-Personnel

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to move into closed session. Commissioner West seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioners Comments: None

Adjournment:

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner West seconded. Motion carried 3-0.



David M. Thomas, Mayor Pro-Tem



Wendy Holland, Town Clerk