

**Mount Holly City Council
Work Session
September 3, 2002**

CALL TO ORDER BY THE MAYOR

The work session meeting of the City Council of Mount Holly was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Black. The following were present:

Mayor Bobby Black	City Manager David Kraus
Mayor Pro-Tem Jim Hope	Administrative Services Officer Jamie Guffey
Councilwoman Phyllis Harris	Police Chief Ricky Davis
Councilman Michael Helms	Streets and Solid Waste Director Mike Santmire
Councilman Frank McLean	Planning & Zoning Director Danny Jackson
Councilwoman Pat Hubbard	Fire Chief John Ekiatis
Councilman Bryan Hough	City Attorney Kemp Michael

The Invocation was lead by Councilman Hough.

Item # 1 on the Agenda – Water Bill.

Mrs. Mintz, formerly of 208 Antelope Drive addressed Council over a disputed water bill. She moved from the residence and her final bill came to \$77.00. She maintains that her average bill for the last year was \$13.83. She feels that the meter was not read properly and would like the city to investigate the bill. Mayor Black said the Council would take this as information and would get back to her.

Item # 2 on the Agenda – New Fire Truck Video.

Chief Ekaitis showed Council a video on the pre-paint inspection on the new fire truck. The projected completion date is October 21.

Item #3 on the agenda – Water System Issues.

City Manager Kraus talked to council about the drought, East Gaston Project engineering, and A&E putting a water tank on their property. He said this is for information and would be talked about more at the retreat.

Item #4 on the agenda – Parks & Recreation.

Robin Starnes informed Council about our need to maintain the parks that were paid for through PARTF funds. These parks are Riverstreet, Woodlawn, and Central. The state will allow us to change the site plans so that we will not have to keep the parks exactly as they were built.

Mark Jusko addressed Council on the possibility of putting a water diversion barrier on Sports Lane to control runoff and speed. Councilman Hough asked about the cost and City Manager Kraus stated that we do not have an estimate, but it could be paid for out of Powell Bill money.

City Manager Kraus spoke out the Fitness Center and asked Council if the city could convert the free membership of employee/spouse to employee/family. Mayor Pro-Tem Hope stated that it should be family as long as the family is in the same household.

Item #5 on the agenda – Downtown Study Report.

City Manager Kraus passed out the downtown study report for Council to take home and read for discussion at a later time. He stated that Judi Simac will be at the next work session to discuss the report. Councilman Hough stated that he would like to see her scope to service contract.

Item #6 on the agenda – Planning Issues

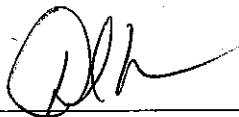
Planning Director Jackson asked Council for specific direction on any issue that Council would like address in the near future. Mayor Pro-Tem Hope stated that on most issues, Council needs specific staff recommendations. Mr. Jackson stated that he will have some recommendations on specific issues in the next several months.

Round Table:

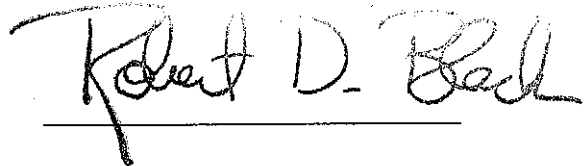
The retreat is scheduled for September 26, 2002 from 4:00 p.m. until. Mayor Black asked if any Councilmember had any agenda items for the retreat that they get them to the City Manager as soon as possible.

Phil Morgan from the YMCA updated the Council on the progress of YMCA Drive construction. He stated that the project is 99% complete and the fence is the only thing left to do. He asked Council to consider accepting the road as a City Road upon the road being certified by an engineer.

Councilman Hough **MOVED** for adjournment at 8:30. The motion was seconded by Councilman Helms and passed with no objections.



City Clerk



Mayor