Mount Holly City Council
Work Session
August 7, 2001

CALL TO ORDER BY THE MAYOR
The work session meeting of the City Council of Mount Holly was called to order at 8:05 p.m. by Mayor McLean. The following were present:

Mayor Frank McLean	City Manager David Kraus
Mayor Pro-Tem Bobby Black	Administrative Services Officer Jamie Guffey
Councilwoman Pat Hubbard	Deputy Public Works Director Jeff Fritts
Councilwoman Phyllis Harris	Planning & Zoning Director Danny Jackson
Councilman Jim Hope	Fire Chief John Ekiatis
City Attorney Kemp Michael	Police Chief Rick Davis
	Parks & Recreation Director Zip Stowe

The Invocation was lead by Mayor McLean.

Item # 1 on the Agenda – Contracts for Construction of New Fire Department

City Attorney Michael told Council that staff, the architect, and the contractor have meet and made any changes to the contract that staff felt were necessary. The contract is now acceptable. He further stated that there was a problem with the date of the performance bonds and the date on the contract. He stated that the performance bonds could not have a date that is before the date that is on the contract. That has happened in this situation and staff needs to receive new bonds with the right dates before the City signs. He also stated that staff will need a copy of the contractors proof of insurance before the City signs.

Mayor McLean asked when the work would be completed. City Attorney Michael stated that construction would be completed in 210 days and that there is a $500 a day penalty for each day over the 210.

Councilman Hope **MOVED** that the City accept the contract with J. Alton Stewart Construction contingent upon receiving the correct bonds and proof of insurance. Councilwoman Harris seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

Item #2 on the Agenda – Resolution in Support of Countywide Soil and Erosion Control.

City Manager Kraus stated that the County would like the City to pass a resolution in support of the County taking over enforcement of soil and erosion control from the state. Council stated that they needed more information about the County's proposal before the pass a resolution on the subject. This item was tabled to a later date.

Item #3 on the Agenda – State Reimbursements to Local Governments.

City Manager Kraus stated the North Carolina League of Municipalities would like the City to urge its state lawmakers to vote to give the local governments back the reimbursements that the Governor is keeping to balance the state budget. The Governor's plan is to allow Counties to pass a local option sales tax to make up for this lost revenue. The NCLM is opposed to this because each county may not pass the sales tax, therefore not allowing the cities to recoup their lost revenue.

Item #4 on the Agenda – Purchase of New Banners.

Administrative Services Officer Guffey presented Council with catalogs to order new fall banners. It was decided that Councilwoman Harris would pick the design to purchase.

Item #5 on the Agenda – Flower Beds at Main and Central Streets.

Administrative Services Officer Guffey presented a plan to replace the cross ties at the flower beds at the corner of Main Street and Central Street. The cost for the replacement and for new flowers would be approximately $1,360.

Mayor Pro-Tem Black **MOVED** to pay for the replacement of the flower beds at the corner of Main and Central. Councilwoman Hubbard seconded the motion and it passed with no objections.

Round Table

City Manager Kraus stated that there would be another item added to the agenda for Monday that was not on the draft agenda. This item would be a resolution from council to with hold the money from the YMCA for the road. The deadline for something to be done is fast approaching and this may be a way to get the YMCA's attention.

Councilwoman Harris **MOVED** to adjourn. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Black and passed with no objections at 9:45 p.m.

******** Frank E. McLean

City Clerk Mayor