

Special Meeting
Mount Holly City Council
June 19, 1995

The special meeting was called to order by Mayor Charles B. Black, Jr. at 7:00 P.M. Those present were Councilwoman Phyllis Harris, Mayor Pro Tem Bob Jessen, Councilmen Michael Helms, R. L. Duke, Archie Small and Jim Hope, as well as City Manager Phil Ponder, Public Works Director Eddie Nichols, and a Police Department representative.

The invocation was led by Mayor Black.

The special meeting was recessed by Mayor Black and a public hearing called to order for consideration of the FY 1995/1996 Municipal Budget. The public hearing was continued from the June 12th regular meeting. Mayor Black stated that he was happy to see money in the budget for a fire station and City Hall renovations. Mayor Black questioned: a. the analysis service charge for BB&T; b. cost-of-living salary adjustments for employees, and c. miscellaneous line items in budgets. Councilman Small asked that money be placed in the budget for a washer/dryer for the Fire Department, and that the City Manager review overtime pay for Fire Department personnel. Mrs. Hazel Michael, of 203 Beaty, Drive indicated that she was happy to see Council spending so much time on budget deliberations. There were no further comments, and the public hearing was adjourned. The regular meeting resumed.

Upon MOTION of Mayor Pro Tem Jessen, seconded by Councilmember Duke, and unanimously carried, Resolution 6-19-95A (attached) adopting the FY 95/96 Municipal Budget as proposed by the City Manager with the following changes:

ADD	\$750	100-530-5-974.00	Washer/Dryer for Fire Dept.
ADD	\$10,000	100-620-5-973.06	Lighting Costner Field
ADD	\$40,000	400-570-5-973.10	Sidewalk - Bel/Mt. Holly Rd.
ADD	\$21,500	100-530-5-974.00	Fire Dept. - Command Vehicle
DELETE	\$121,000	300-000-4-593.00	Bond Revenue to W & S Fund

was adopted. Upon MOTION of Mayor Pro Tem Jessen, seconded by Councilmember Small, and unanimously carried, the municipal tax rate for the upcoming year was established at \$.45 per \$100 valuation of taxable property.

City Council discussed bids for sludge handling facilities. John McLaughlin, of W. K. Dickson, explained the need for the facilities, and warned that compliance problems were imminent if the facilities were not constructed, and flow continued to increase. Public Works Director Nichols stated that sludge concerns had not caused a compliance problem to date, but that

problems would increase with new development. Upon MOTION of Councilmember Hope, seconded by Councilmember Helms, and unanimously carried, the bid for constructing sludge handling facilities at the wastewater treatment plant was awarded to the low bidder Good Water Construction in the amount of \$1,388,000.00.

City Council discussed bids for the renovation of City Hall. Architect Chet Helt appeared to explain the base bid and alternates. Buster Williams, of Southern Construction, the low bidder, appeared to indicate that he would reduce his construction time to 120 days. Upon MOTION of Councilmember Hope, seconded by Councilmember Harris, and unanimously carried, the base bid and three alternate bids for the renovation of City Hall were awarded to Southern Construction in the amount of \$197,750.

Upon MOTION of Mayor Pro Jessen, seconded by Councilmember Helms, and unanimously carried, Council approved budget amendments (attached).

City Manager Phil Ponder informed Council that he was finalizing negotiations with Healthsource on the City's health insurance plan. Costs would rise 9%, but the new plan would provide greater flexibility, reduced co-payments, and a lower out-of-pocket maximum for employees. Ponder indicated that the increased costs were already factored into the budget.

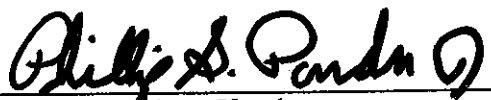
City Manager Ponder informed Council that he planned to charge the Calvary Baptist Church \$156.60 for the raising of a manhole to accommodate the construction of a new church facility.

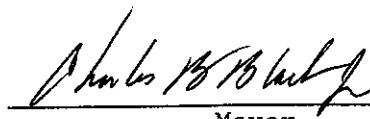
City Manager Ponder informed Council that they would have to hold another special meeting, if they wanted to consider changing filing fees for the upcoming election. Filing fees are as follows:

Mayor	\$15.00
City Council	\$10.00
Sanitary District	\$5.00

City Manager Ponder informed Council that he planned to consult with Mayor Pro Tem Jessen regarding a possible change in Worker's Compensation insurance carriers, because of his expertise in the area.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.


City Clerk


Mayor
