

**City of Mount Holly
Mount Holly City Council Meeting
Monday, June 10, 2013
Council Chambers
7:00 pm**

Call to Order

Mayor Bryan Hough called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The following were present:

Mayor Bryan Hough	Danny Jackson, City Manager
Mayor Pro Tem David Moore	Jamie Guffey, Assistant City Manager
Councilman Jerry Bishop	Greg Beal, Senior Planner
Councilwoman Carolyn Breyare	James Friday, Director of Utilities
Councilman J. Jason Gowen	Dale Oplinger, Fire Chief
Councilman Jim Hope	Don Roper, Chief of Police
Councilman Perry Toomey	Mike Santmire, Streets and Solid Waste Director
Kemp Michael, City Attorney	

Invocation

Reverend Bruce Bradley, Pastor of Second Baptist Church in Mount Holly gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Boy Scout Troop 59 of the First United Methodist Church in Mount Holly led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Set the Agenda

Mayor Hough advised that the presentation from Mountain Island Charter School will be moved to the first item under *Presentations* and the June Stowe presentation will be the second item under *Presentations*. With no additional changes, Councilman Hope made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the minutes for the May 13, 2013 Council meeting
 2. Approval of the minutes for the May 20, 2013 Budget Meeting
- Councilman Toomey made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilman Bishop seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation from Mountain Island Charter School 5th Grade Class “Day of Service”
Jackson Rhinehart came before the City Council to present the “day of service” project that the Mountain Island Charter School 5th grade class completed. He advised that they cleaned up the historic cemetery Catawba and South Hawthorne and he and his classmates are very proud to give back to the community.
2. Presentation of Resolution Honoring Ernest Stowe
Mayor Hough and the City Council presented the family of Ernst Stowe with a resolution that to honor his time served on the Planning Commission.
3. Introduction of New Employees
At this time the Department Heads introduced new employees that have been hired within their departments during the past several months. The summer interns were also present and introduced to the Council.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. A Public Hearing on the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year Budget

Mr. Jackson reviewed the highlights of the 2013-2014 proposed budget. He advised that there is not an increase in the tax rate. However, there is a 3% cola for City employees but a reduction from health insurance costs to the City and the employees. He further advised that tax collections rates continue to increase each year and the City hopes to acquire land in the upcoming year for a Public Works facility and North Fire Station.

At this time, Councilman Gowen made a motion to enter into the public hearing. Councilman Bishop seconded the motion. All council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried) With no one signed up to speak, Mayor Pro Tem Moore made a motion to return to regular session. Councilwoman Breyare seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

PUBLIC COMMENT – Three (3) Minute Limit

Curtis Alexander
224 West Glendale Avenue
Mount Holly, NC 28120

Mr. Alexander thanked the Mountain Island Charter School for the cemetery cleanup on Catawba Avenue. He advised that the County should be held accountable for the cemetery property and maintaining it. He commented that there is lots of history there and it needs to be taken care of.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration and Approval of the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year Budget, Capital Improvement Plan and Fee Schedule

Councilman Gowen made a motion to approve the 2013-2014 budget ordinance and fee schedule. (#06102013A) Councilman Toomey seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Councilman Gowen made a motion to approve the Capital Improvement Plan. (#06102013B) Councilwoman Breyare seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. Motion carried.

2. Discussion of ABC Board Appointments

Mr. Jackson advised that Carlton Broome's term has expired on the ABC Board and he has elected not to be reappointed. The ABC Board has made a recommendation to appoint Kathy Drumm as the Chair of the Board and Gary Neely to fill the vacancy on the Board. Councilwoman Breyare made the motion to appoint Kathy Drumm to the Chairperson position and Gary Neely to the board to fill the vacancy. Councilman Toomey seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

1. Closed Session (*pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (5 and 6)*)

At this time Councilman Bishop made a motion to enter into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (5 and 6). Councilman Gowen seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

Councilman Gowen made a motion to return to open session. Councilman Bishop seconded the motion. All Council members voted in favor. **(Motion carried)**

Mayor Hough advised that there was no action taken during closed session.

ADJOURN

With no additional items for discussion, Mayor Hough entertained a motion to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem Moore made the motion to adjourn the June 10, 2013 Council Meeting. Councilwoman Breyare seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.