

**Mount Holly City Council
Work Session
April 2, 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
Councilman Michael Helms	Public Utilities Director Don Price
Councilman Frank McLean	Planning & Zoning Director Danny Jackson
Councilwoman Pat Hubbard	Fire Chief John Ekiatis
Councilman Bryan Hough	Parks & Recreation Director Zip Stowe
Councilwoman Phyllis Harris	Police Chief Ricky Davis
City Attorney Kemp Michael	Streets and Solid Waste Director Mike Santmire

The Invocation was lead by Councilman Hough.

Item # 1 on the Agenda – System Development Charges.

City Attorney Michael stated that the level of the fee and grand fathering are the major concerns that the developers have about the system development charge. He stated that Utilities Director Price and Administrative Services Officer Guffey have reevaluated the projects and determined that not all of them will be done in the next 20 years. He also stated that Council could rescind the previously passed fee schedule and then could start the process over with the new projects.

City Manager Kraus stated that only the current approved subdivisions would be grand fathered. He also stated that the grandfathering would run out on January 1, 2011. Councilwoman Hubbard asked what would be the total number to be grand fathered. City Manager Kraus stated that staff would calculate the number and have it for the regular Council meeting.

Mayor Black asked if the City needed to have a public hearing on this issue. City Attorney Michael stated that it was not required, but Council could have one if it so wished. Councilman Helms stated that he feels that the City does not need to hold a public hearing on the issue. City Attorney Michael stated that not having a Public Hearing could be the one challenge to the fee.

Councilman Hough **MOVED** to rescind previous ordinance on system development fees. Councilman Hope seconded the motion and the vote was 3 to 3 with Councilman Helms, Councilwoman Harris and Councilwoman Hubbard voting against. Mayor Black cast the deciding vote in favor of the motion.

Item # 2 on the Agenda – Budget.

City Manager Kraus and Administrative Services Officer Guffey updated Council on the budget and the estimation of revenues with State cutbacks. Both stated that revenues would be down considerably in the 2002-2003 budget and that the City may have to dip into fund balance next year.

City Manager Kraus stated that we are currently in the middle of a rate study and that water and sewer rates will probably go up in the next year.

Item #3 on the agenda – Draft Agenda Items.

Mayor Black reminded everyone that Town Hall Day is June 11, 2002 in Raleigh.

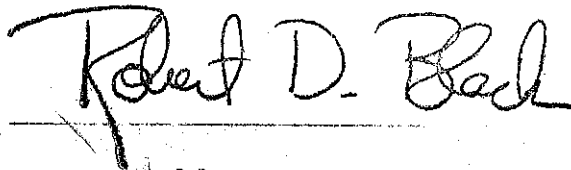
Surplus Radios: The fire department has some old radios that have been surplused and they have found a buyer. Chief Ekiatis stated that the radios will be sold for \$4,000.

Councilwoman Hubbard **MOVED** that the City accept the bid of \$4,000 for the Fire radios. Councilman Helms seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

Councilwoman Harris **MOVED** for adjournment at 8:10. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hough and passed with no objections.



City Clerk



Mayor