

A called meeting for the purpose of conducting a Public Hearing on the Proposed FY 2017-2018 Budget was held by the Boydton Town Council on June 20, 2017, at 6:00 P.M. in the Town Hall Council Chambers with Vice Mayor Thomas G. Gill presiding.

THOSE PRESENT

**Thomas Coleman III, Mayor (Absent)
T. G. Gill, Vice Mayor
Ronny Worley
W. H. Coleman (Absent)
J. M. Kirkland
David M. Crowder
Bill Thompson
Shirley S. Bowen, MMC, Clerk-Treasurer
Krystle S. Magann, Deputy Clerk**

GUESTS

Mrs. Catherine Getz

Vice Mayor T. G. Gill called the special meeting to order by pledging allegiance to the flag and a moment of silence.

The Vice Mayor opened the meeting to conduct a public hearing regarding the approval of the proposed FY 2017-2018 budget that had been properly advertised once in the News-Progress. Upon reading the budget synopsis, Vice Mayor Gill opened the public hearing for discussion, regarding the budget. Since there were no public or council comments, the Vice Mayor declared the public hearing closed. Councilman Ronny Worley moved to approve the proposed budget as presented with Councilman J. M. Kirkland seconding the motion. All members voted in favor. The Vice Mayor advised that a called meeting would need to be scheduled to adopt the FY 2017-2018 budget, and it was to be held seven (7) days after tonight's meeting. Upon discussion, it was the consensus of the council to schedule the called meeting for Tuesday, June 27, 2017, at 5:00 P.M.

Vice Mayor T. G. Gill advised the council members that he thought the advertisement for sealed bids on the "Yellow House" on 865 Jefferson Street, had been decided and unanimously voted on at the regular council meeting on Tuesday night; however, Mrs. Bowen received a call from one of the council members on Thursday asking her to postpone the advertisement, since he would like certain stipulations added before it is published. The Vice Mayor also stated it was voted on to be published three (3) times in the newspaper and the bids would be opened at the July council meeting and if was postponed, this couldn't be done. He further advised that due to this councilman's request, Mrs. Bowen hadn't advertised it, as yet. Mrs. Bowen, Clerk of Council, stated that it could still run three (3) times, if she got the ad in the South Hill Enterprise for this weekend's edition, but that would depend on the decision made by the council tonight. Councilman Thompson and some other councilmen questioned what the stipulations were. Vice Mayor Gill advised that it was Councilman W. H. Coleman who had called Mrs. Bowen and told her that he, Gene Coleman, and Walter Beales felt the advertisement should have more stipulations added and they were working on it. Councilman Thompson and Councilman Kirkland expressed their

desire to go ahead and advertise, since a motion had been made at the prior meeting with a unanimous vote of the council to do so. After more discussion, it was decided to wait on advertising until we could find out what the stipulations were that need to be added. The Vice Mayor said he was meeting with Walter Beales tomorrow and could possibly find out more and Councilman Worley stated that he would call Councilman Coleman tonight, as well, and let Mrs. Bowen know as soon as possible regarding the new stipulations for the ad.

The Vice Mayor read a memo from Angie Kellett regarding hiring a “Retail Attraction & Development Group” named Retail Strategies to help bring in businesses to the towns in the County. The cost for the Town of Boydton with a population of 431 would be \$448.24. Discussion ensued, with the Vice Mayor advising Mrs. Bowen to tell Ms. Kellett that the consensus of the council was that they were uncertain at this time on whether to participate or not and they were not for it, nor were they against it.

There being no further comments, questions or concerns, Councilman Ronny Worley moved to adjourn the meeting, which was recorded by the Clerk at 6:15 P.M. Councilman David M. Crowder seconded the motion, with all the members voting in favor.

**Shirley S. Bowen, MMC
Clerk of Council & Treasurer**

**T. G. Gill
Vice Mayor**