

The regular meeting of the Boydton Town Council was held on Tuesday, October 11, 2016, at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Thomas C. Coleman III presiding.

THOSE PRESENT

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

GUESTS

**Mr. R. H. Park III, WWTP/Public Works
Mr. J. E. Harrell
Ms. Olivia Allison, South Hill Enterprise
Mrs. Mildred Winn
Mr. Mike Denton
Mrs. Ellen Walker
Ms. Brooks Lenhart
Mr. & Mrs. Will Ober
Mr. David Goodwin**

Mayor Thomas C. Coleman III called the meeting to order by welcoming everyone's attendance at tonight's meeting. He began with the pledge of allegiance to the flag and a moment of silence.

The Mayor requested a motion for approval of the regular meeting minutes of September 13, 2016, and the called meeting minutes of September 16, 2016. Vice Mayor T. G. Gill moved to approve both sets of minutes for September as submitted. Councilman Bill Thompson seconded the motion, and all members voted in favor.

Mayor Coleman III requested a motion to pay the bills for the month of October 2016, as presented. Councilman W. H. Coleman moved to pay the bills for October, with Councilman David M. Crowder seconding the motion. All members voted in favor.

Chief Danny R. Fox briefed the council on patrol activity for the month of September 2016. He stated that he had (4) Vehicle Stops, (2) Citations of 42 in a 25 mph zone, and (1) Rescue assist. The Mayor advised Chief Fox that he had complaints about people speeding in town after 5:00 P.M. and early in the mornings. Chief Fox stated he would be more aware of this in the future.

Mr. R. H. Park III reported that Boydton's Department of Water, RRSA Meter Readings Report of water pumped for September was 1,522,000 gallons of water used. Mr. Park III informed the council that the oxidation ditch coupling was seemingly doing fine since it had been repaired.

The Mayor advised that Mrs. Kay Crane had telephoned this afternoon and sent her regrets that she would not be in attendance for tonight's meeting, due to a gas leak in her building in Danville, VA. Mrs. Bowen, Clerk-Treasurer, stated that Mrs. Crane

would try to be in attendance at the next council meeting to update the council and residents on the progress of the PATHS Medical Center.

Mrs. Donna Ober took the floor to present a Proclamation to the Town of Boydton from Governor McAuliffe's office as recognition for the town's Big, Bad, Barbeque Battle sanctioned by the Kansas City Barbeque Society. The society furnished more than 30 judges for the event and one requirement was that we receive a proclamation from the Governor's office as a participant. In doing so, it qualifies the winner of our contest to participate in the Virginia State Championship. If the team wins the Virginia Championship, then this allows them to move on to the Jack Daniels National Championship, which is a "big deal," she said. Mrs. Ober informed the council and guests that "hopefully sometime in November or December" the town would have the opportunity to host an official KCBS judge's class, which would give some of our local judges the chance to become certified and local competitors the chance to learn exactly what the judges are looking for when choosing winners in the competition. The Mayor interjected by noting that the Boydton Volunteer Fire Department competed in the 2016 battle placing fourth in one category. He felt that was good and should be commended, since they had never taken a class and weren't "privy" to any of the characteristics that the KCBS look for. Mrs. Ober continued by saying, "We are in the process of submitting our sanction request for 2017, but we are already making plans for next year. We are thinking we want to do a two-day event, since other teams were saying that other competitions are two-day events." She further stated, "The BBQ battle committee is thinking of hosting a band in the town on the Friday night before the competition begins, with a possibility of using the Boyd Tavern porch area being the stage. A band would draw a crowd and we are now in the process of talking with the Boyd Tavern about hosting them there." Mrs. Ober also stated that they are thinking of having a beer tent on Friday night preceding the battle. She said that while serving alcohol could create some controversy, as long as it is done properly, it shouldn't create any problems and it would generate sales while making some money.

The Mayor opened the floor for public comments. Mr. Mike Denton, asked if he could speak to the Mayor and Council regarding their approval, support, or commitment to the Lake Country Airport Commission in order for them to apply for a \$150,000.00 line of credit with Benchmark Bank towards more construction for airport. It was made clear that no money would have to come from the town for them to proceed...only the town council's approval to support the airport commission's request, as done in the past. If they were to get the line of credit, the Department of Aviation would be responsible for 80% of the line of credit, if they would default on this line of credit; therefore, Mecklenburg County, the Town of Clarksville, and the Town of Boydton could "possibly" be responsible for the other 20% if default would occur, which is not at

all suspected to happen. Mr. Denton stated that he was only advising them of this now as “food for thought” and he would return to the next council meeting to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, for further questions and answers to the airport commission’s request.

There being no further questions, comments, or concerns, Vice Mayor T. G. Gill moved to adjourn the meeting with Councilman David M. Crowder seconding the motion, and all members voted in favor. The meeting was recorded as being adjourned at 8:05 P. M.

**Shirley S. Bowen, MMC
Clerk to the Council & Treasurer
October 11, 2016**

**Thomas C. Coleman III
Mayor**