

A special called meeting of the Boydton Town Council was held on Friday, September 16, 2016, at 5:00 P.M., in the Town Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Thomas C. Coleman III presiding.

THOSE PRESENT

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

GUESTS

Mr. R. H. Park III, WWTP

Mayor Coleman III called the meeting to order. He stated that the purpose of the “called meeting” was to inform the council of the opening of the two contract bids regarding the new grant, which were opened here on Thursday, September 8th. He continued by saying he wasn’t able to bring this up at the regular council meeting since the bids that were received went over; therefore, no contingency funds remained in the grant. He said, “We couldn’t approve or sign off on this with our approval of these bids until we could get the money/funds straight.” He further stated that Mr. Wayne Carter, County Administrator, had to be contacted prior to the approval, due to this shortfall. He reported that Mr. Carter had just sent a letter to Southside Planning District Commission, who notified us, saying the County would be responsible for the \$181,000.00 (or 5% for contingency funds), and it would only be used for “change orders” or things of this nature that could possibly arise during the construction phase of this project. The Mayor advised that even with this contingency money, it would not cover any of the other ten (10) improvement items that had been requested for approval at the WWTP. He advised that there were two bids in front of them for their review. Contract #1 was for main WWTP Improvements, which went to the low bidder, F. L. Showalter from Lynchburg, Virginia in the amount of \$2,729,800.00 and Contract #2 was for the Mecklenburg County Industrial Park Sanitary Gravity Sewer Upgrade and that went to the low bidder, H. G. Reynolds, Inc. in the amount of \$900,529.00. This new 12” sewer line will go from the WWTP to the Microsoft facility; however, the current 8” sewer pipe won’t be capped off in case of future needs. After a brief discussion, Councilman W. H. Coleman moved to approve Contract #1 to F. L. Showalter for the WWTP Improvements and Contract #2 to H. G. Reynolds, Inc. for the Mecklenburg County Industrial Park Sanitary Gravity Sewer Upgrade. Councilman Bill Thompson seconded the motion. All members voted unanimously.

In another issue regarding this project, the Mayor stated that Dewberry, Mr. Park III, and he highly recommended that the number one item, that couldn't be included in the contractor's bid, be done during this project, since it is a much needed item. Mr. Park III informed the council that it is a sludge level monitor that would go into each clarifier, which would cost \$17,600.00. The Mayor advised that the town would have to pay for this and the grant would not cover it. He continued to inform the council that this monitoring system would inform Mr. Park III at home when the sludge was at a critical level of overflowing. Councilman Ronny Worley stated that there was a manual way of doing it. Mr. Park III replied that he was aware of that, but he was talking about at night when no one was at the plant, and that happens to be when the levels would more than likely rise from Microsoft. Councilman David Crowder questioned what could be done, if the levels were in the range of overflowing. Mr. Park III advised that they could manually turn the pumps on and manually pump it down or they could turn them up, whichever, was needed. He said there were a lot of things that could be done to keep it from overflowing and it was basically an alarm system to notify him, Eric, and possibly Johnny, if something were to happen there. Upon further discussion, motion was made by Councilman W. H. Coleman and seconded by Councilman Ronny C. Worley to allow Mr. Park III to advise Dewberry and Southside Planning District Commission that the town would like to include only the first item (the sludge level monitor) on the list of ten items to be done at the WWTP at the town's expense or cost. All members voted unanimously.

Mr. Park III brought up another issue for discussion as to whether the town's liability insurance would cover employees and equipment after work hours and on weekends for their "*own personal use.*" Mrs. Bowen advised that Mr. Park III had questioned her on this during the week and she checked with VML Insurance Company and received their response in writing this afternoon. She stated their response was that the town's liability insurance would not cover the employee or any of our equipment in the event of injury or damage after working hours and on weekends, if it was used for the employee's "*own personal use.*" Another question was posed from Mr. Park III as to whether the town workers could go onto personal property to do work for a resident during town working hours and with the town billing them to do the work. This was briefly discussed, but the Mayor, Council, and Mrs. Bowen responded by saying that this was much different in that we were doing this as a service and charging the resident for that service. However, Mrs. Bowen, Clerk-Treasurer, advised that she would ask VML that question, as well, and get their ruling on this for the council and Mayor and present it at the next regular meeting.

One other item of business was brought up concerning the town crew clearing the parking lot for the Mecklenburg County Health Department in case of snow this winter. Mrs. Bowen stated that she had been contacted by Ms. Ann Brewer of the Health Department to

ask the Mayor and town council if they would agree to this request with a written contract and the town billing them for this service. After a brief discussion, it was the consensus of the council not to enter into such an agreement for various reasons. Mrs. Bowen advised that she would notify Ms. Brewer of the council's decision.

There being no other business, discussion, or concerns, the meeting was adjourned at 5:18 P.M.

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

**Thomas C. Coleman III
Mayor**

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Town of Boydton resolved to apply to the Economic Development Administration: Investments for Public Works and Economic Development Facilities Program.

WHEREAS, grant funds will be used to improve the wastewater treatment plant, and the grant will be for assistance up to \$1,250,000. The County of Mecklenburg will offer assistance up to \$2,750,000 in order to complete the project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Boydton does hereby authorize Thomas C. Coleman III, to sign and submit all documentation needed to proceed with this grant and to abide by the covenants contained in the agreements, documents, and forms required by the Economic Development Administration: Investments for Public Works and Economic Development Facilities Program should the grant be funded.

Adopted this 9th day of September, 2014 by the Town Council of the Town of Boydton.



Authorized Official

ATTEST:

