**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**

**OF THE REIDSVILLE CITY COUNCIL**

**HELD WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 2014 AT 3 P.M.**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL**

**CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor John M. “Jay” Donecker

 Mayor Pro Tem Harry L. Brown

 Councilman Tom Balsley

 Councilman Donald L. Gorham

 Councilman William Hairston

 Councilman Clark Turner

 Councilwoman Sherri G. Walker

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:** NONE

**CITY STAFF PRESENT:** Michael J. Pearce, City Manager

Angela G. Stadler, CMC, City Clerk

 William F. McLeod Jr., City Attorney

 Tom Wiggins, Assistant City Manager, Community Services

 Donna Setliff, Community Development Manager

Mayor Donecker called the meeting to order.

**INVOCATION.**

Longtime Annie Penn Hospital volunteer Ann Foster of Reidsville offered the invocation after making a few opening remarks, including thanking the Council members for working so hard to represent Reidsville in a “Christian way” and “fair way”. She said she had never heard that the Council disagreed with anyone in a disagreeable spirit.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

Council members then led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Recognition Of Ann Foster.**

After the pledge, Mayor Donecker asked Ann Foster to return to the front, where Councilwoman Walker told her that they had gotten her here not only to pray but for something else. Mayor Donecker then read a proclamation recognizing Foster for her years of service to the hospital and local community. (A COPY OF THE PROCLAMATION IS HEREIN INCORPORATED AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.) Ms. Foster said they will never know what this means to her but added that she feels she doesn’t deserve it. She received a standing ovation from Council and the audience.

**Recognition of New Annie Penn Hospital President.**

The Mayor then introduced Ms. Debbie Green, the new President of Annie Penn Hospital, who replaces Mickey Foster who was promoted to Greensboro’s Moses Cone Hospital. Green thanked Council members and noted her goal is for Annie Penn to be #1 in the nation and in fact, the whole world. She said it would be hard to continue Mickey’s legacy but “I got this,” she said. Mayor Donecker asked Green to get a letter of appreciation to Foster, which was signed by the entire Council. (A COPY OF THE LETTER TO MICKEY FOSTER IS HEREIN INCORPORATED AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.) Mayor Donecker noted that we must all promote Reidsville and there is no better way to do that than to know you have a loving, caring hospital in your own backyard. He said not many communities can say that anymore.

**APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA.**

Mayor Donecker asked if there were any items Council members wanted to be pulled out and considered separately?

**There being none, Councilman Turner made the motion, seconded by Councilman Hairston and approved in a 7-0 vote by Council, to approve the Consent Agenda.**

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 -- APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 4, 2014 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES.**

With the approval of the Consent Agenda in a 7-0 vote, the Council approved the June 4, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 -- APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY LIMITS FOR THE VOLUNTARY CONTIGUOUS ANNEXATION OF 185 BRENTWOOD DRIVE AND PART OF PIN #7994-14-42-0996 LOCATED ON REID SCHOOL ROAD AS REQUESTED BY ARC/HDS ROCKINGHAM COUNTY HOUSING CORPORATION.**

With the approval of the Consent Agenda in a 7-0 vote, the Council approved an amendment to the following Ordinance in order to correct “cut and paste” errors.

**A2014-01**

**(Amended)**

**AN AMENDMENT TO THE**

**ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THE**

**CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE**

**CITY OF REIDSVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA**

 **WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Reidsville, North Carolina adopted an annexation ordinance on May 14, 2014 under G.S. 160A-31 stating its intent to annex the area described below after meeting the required legal steps and finding the proposed annexation met the requirements of G.S. 160A-31; and

 **WHEREAS**, due to typographical errors, erroneous information was included incorrectly stating that the property was owned by the City of Reidsville;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Reidsville, North Carolina that the following replace Sections 1, 2 and 3 as previously approved:

 Section 1. By virtue of the authority granted by G.S. 160A-31, the following described contiguous property is hereby annexed and made part of the City of Reidsville, North Carolina as of July 31, 2014:

**TRACT 1**

Beginning at an existing iron pipe, being the south corner of Lot 3 as shown on the plat recorded in Plat Book 70, Page 90, in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Rockingham County, North Carolina; thence South 23° 34’ 49” East 25 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence North 89° 32’ 42” East 128.21 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence North 50° 33’ 52” East 9.1 feet to a point; thence North 55° 25’ 34” West 52.8725 feet along the existing corporate limits of the City of Reidsville to a point; thence North 54° 45’ 49” West 52.8779 feet along the existing corporate limits of the City of Reidsville to a point; thence South 52° 15’ 32” West 75.53 feet to the point and place of beginning; being that part of Lot 2 as shown on the plat recorded in Plat Book 70, Page 90 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Rockingham County, NC not within the corporate limits of the City of Reidsville; i.e. the part of Lot 2 that is more than 250 feet from the centerline of the 60-foot wide right-of-way for Reid School Road.

**TRACT 2**

Beginning at an existing iron pipe, being the south corner of Lot 3 as shown on the plat recorded in Plat Book 70, Page 90, in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Rockingham County, North Carolina; thence South 52° 15' 32" West 37.94 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence South 89° 33' 45" West 40.01 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence North 23° 34' 49" West 25 feet to the point and place of beginning; being the same as the “459.9 Sq. Ft. to be Combined” as shown on the plat recorded in Plat Book 70, Page 90 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Rockingham County, North Carolina.

**TRACT 3**

Beginning at an existing iron pipe, being South 86° 23’ East 260.02 feet along the North line of lot 8 and the northern terminus of Brentwood Drive (60’ right-of-way), as measured from a stone at the northwest corner of such Lot 8, all as shown on the plat recorded in Book 12, Page 95, in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Rockingham County, North Carolina; thence along the east margin of the right-of-way for such Brentwood Drive, South 2° 50’ 50” West 134.60 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence curving to the left along the margin of the right-of-ways of Brentwood Drive and Lagardon Street with a chord bearing of South 42° 09’ 10” East 28.28 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence along the north margin of the right-of-way for Lagardon Street, South 87° 09’ 10” East 346.9 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence North 3° 22’ 20” East 149.65 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence North 86° 23’ West 368.3 feet to the point and place of beginning; being the same as Lots 15 and 16 as shown on the plat recorded in Plat Book 12, Page 95 of the Register of Deeds of Rockingham County, North Carolina.

 Section 2. Upon and after July 31, 2014, the above described territory and its citizens and property shall be subject to all debts, laws, ordinances and regulations in force in the City of Reidsville and shall be entitled to the same privileges and benefits as other parts of the City of Reidsville. Said territory shall be subject to municipal taxes according to G.S. 160A-58.10.

Section 3. The Mayor of the City of Reidsville shall cause to be recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Rockingham County, and in the office of the Secretary of State at Raleigh, North Carolina, an accurate map of the annexed territory, described in Section 1 above, together with a duly certified copy of this ordinance. Such a map shall also be delivered to the Rockingham County Board of Elections, as required by G.S. 163-288.1.

 Adopted this 9th day of July, 2014.

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 John M. “Jay” Donecker, Mayor

ATTEST: APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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 Angela G. Stadler, CMC William F. McLeod Jr.

 City Clerk City Attorney

**- End of Consent Agenda -**

**CONSIDERATION OF AN AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION FOR A $200,000 GRANT FROM THE MAIN STREET SOLUTIONS FUND PROGRAM FOR THE HEFFINGER HEIST.**

In making the staff report, Assistant City Manager Tom Wiggins explained that Don Caudle, owner of The Heffinger Heist, is requesting a $200,000 loan from the Main Street Solutions Fund Program. The City has to apply for these funds on a business’ behalf since individuals cannot apply for these grants, he noted. The maximum amount of $200,000 can be requested based on Caudle’s initial acquisition investment of over $600,000. This means the 2-to-1 ratio is met whereby $1 in grant funds can be requested for every $2 in public or private funds spent, Wiggins noted.

The Assistant City Manager stated that this is a new program which the City has not requested funding from before. If the $200,000 is received, the State leaves it up to the City to establish the conditions and specific terms of the loan, he continued.

Wiggins said he had broken down in his memo what Caudle had agreed to and what had been discussed with Mr. Caudle on the staff level and was presented to the Reidsville Downtown Corporation board (RDC) at its June meeting. (A COPY OF THE MEMO DATED JUNE 30, 2014 IS HEREIN INCORPORATED AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.) Up to $25,000 of the $200,000 loan would go to consultant Skip Green for grant administration with the $175,000 remaining to be part of the grant issued out as a loan, he said. Caudle would like $150,000 of that figure to be used toward working capital, Wiggins stated, with Caudle’s bank wanting half of that in an escrow account which was part of his financing terms. The $25,000 remaining would be paid back to the City in capital improvement costs, and he would show staff an itemized list of what work had been done, he said. Caudle would pay that back after 18 months at a 4% interest rate, Wiggins explained. At the RDC’s June 24th meeting, the board recommended that Council should move forward in applying for these funds, he added.

Wiggins then asked if there were any questions? Councilman Turner asked if the $600,000 in initial investment was the purchase of the building? Wiggins said it was the acquisition costs. The Councilman said that Caudle’s business was not open all last week or yesterday. He asked if the owner has a business plan to present to Council or anything concrete to say how he plans to use this money? Wiggins said no business plan had been requested of Caudle but that at the RDC meeting, he had shared a letter from Caudle explaining what he plans to do and his terms.

Councilman Turner said that from reading Wiggins’ memo, he understood that Caudle would only have to pay back $25,000? The Assistant City Manager agreed, adding that $150,000 would be forgiven as long as Caudle maintains eight full-time jobs over a six-month period.

Councilman Gorham asked, referencing the fact that there have been times the Heist has not been open, if there was any liability to the City if this falls through? Wiggins said that if Caudle defaults, it is his understanding from the Main Street program that the State would have no requirements upon us, but it would be upon us to try and get the money back. He said he didn’t think we would be liable for something Mr. Caudle defaulted on. Wiggins said he wasn’t 100% sure about that but that he was sure if Caudle cannot live up to the terms, the State would not be looking to us to pay them back. Once we get the $200,000, it is our money essentially, but we would have to decide how we would collect from Caudle, Wiggins added.

Councilman Turner said the City in times past had dealt with other similar-type funds, such as revolving loans, and had trouble collecting on them. Councilman Turner asked if there would be any collateral from Mr. Caudle to recover our funds? Wiggins said he had discussed that yesterday with Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Chris Phillips and City Attorney Bill McLeod Jr., who said we could ask Mr. Caudle to get a second position on the property. Beyond that, he said he wasn’t sure what our options might be.

Councilman Gorham asked if there is a default on the grant, would it put the City in a bad light with the State in reference to getting future grants? Wiggins said he didn’t think it would reflect negatively on the City. Mayor Donecker noted that if $200,000 is allocated to Mr. Caudle, someone else wouldn’t be able to get the funds. Wiggins said that a certain amount is designated each year for these loans, and it is a competitive process, meaning other entities would not be able to get the $200,000.

City Manager Michael Pearce said, in Tom’s defense, this grant was not the City or Wiggins’ idea, but that Wiggins is “carrying Mr. Caudle’s water for him today.” Mr. Caudle had approached the City about this loan request. He said an effort was made to try and reach Caudle and ask him to be here today, but it is awkward for Tom to be answering questions that Caudle should be answering. The Mayor said the Council is probably getting more adequate answers in a shorter amount of time.

Councilman Balsley said if the money is loaned to Caudle, it might preclude anyone else from Reidsville getting that kind of assistance. This is a huge loan, he noted. The Councilman said he would like to know what Caudle’s business plan is going forward, adding that he doesn’t feel comfortable with this. Councilwoman Walker said that Caudle not showing up today speaks volumes to her.

Councilman Hairston asked if Mr. Caudle knew to be here today? Wiggins said he informed Caudle at the RDC meeting the date of the Council meeting. He also left a message on his cell phone and called his business, but no one answered the phone there. He also told Mayor Pro Tem Brown that yes, he was under the impression Mr. Caudle would be here today.

**Councilman Balsley made the motion to table this issue until the Council’s next meeting and that Mr. Caudle at least comes up with a business plan to enlighten Council in some way about this amount of money. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hairston and unanimously approved in a 7-0 vote.**

It was noted that tentatively the next Council meeting is scheduled for August 12.

**CONSIDERATION OF AN OFFER BY GEORGE ANTHONY RUCKER TO PURCHASE A VACANT LOT, PIN #8905-15-53-0632, LOCATED BESIDE 112 ROANOKE STREET, AND THE ACCOMPANYING RESOLUTION BEGINNING THE UPSET BID PROCESS.**

In making the staff report, City Manager Pearce said that George Anthony Rucker has made a bid to purchase the lot at the corner of Staples and Roanoke Streets. He said it is not a desirable piece of property at all, and Rucker has been taking care of it since he owns property all around it. Rucker has offered the City $200 for the property, he said, and explained the upset bid process, including the advertisement by the City Clerk. Unless the City receives an upset bid of at least $220.00, the sale of the property would go through, Pearce informed Council. No City departments feel that we need the property, he noted.

The City Manager said the Council would need to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Advertisement Of An Offer To Purchase Certain Property.

**Councilman Hairston made the motion, seconded by Councilman Gorham and unanimously approved by Council in a 7-0 vote, to approve the Resolution.**

The Resolution as approved follows:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE**

**ADVERTISEMENT OF AN OFFER**

**TO PURCHASE CERTAIN PROPERTY**

 **WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Reidsville desires to dispose of certain surplus property of the City;

 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council that:

1. The following described property is hereby declared to be surplus to the needs of the City: a vacant lot identified by Pin #8905-15-53-0632, adjacent to 112 Roanoke Street, Reidsville.
2. The City Council has received an offer from George Anthony Rucker of 112 Roanoke Street, to purchase for the sum of $200.00 the property described above.
3. The City Council proposes to accept the offer and authorizes the City Manager to do so unless an upset bid shall be made.
4. The person making the offer must deposit with the City Clerk a sum equal to at least five percent (5%) of his offer.
5. The City Clerk is directed, should a qualifying upset bid and deposit be received within ten (10) days from the publication of said notice in accordance with G.S. 160A-269, to re-advertise the offer at the increased upset bid amount.

Adopted this 9th day of July, 2014.

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 John M. “Jay” Donecker

 Mayor

ATTEST:

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 Angela G. Stadler, CMC/NCCMC

 City Clerk

**CONSIDERATION OF A MINIMUM HOUSING CODE VIOLATION AT 401 N. WASHINGTON AVENUE.**

In making the staff report, Community Development Director Donna Setliff said she is requesting permission to demolish 401 N. Washington Avenue, Reidsville. A title search found the property owners to be Zack Turner Martin Jr., Sharon Denise Martin King, Angela Elizabeth Martin, William McKinley Martin, Linda Diane Martin and Cheryl Delores Martin, who are located across the County, she said. Beneficial Financial Inc. is listed as a lienholder, but it may be an old lien that has not been cancelled, Setliff stated. Some of the notices for the Minimum Housing Code Hearing were returned, but the notice was put in the newspaper and the property posted. No one attended the February 3, 2014 hearing, she added.

The Housing Code Enforcement Order was approved which gives the property owners 90 days to demolish the building, the Community Development Manager said. The Order required demolition because the $20,000 in estimated repairs exceeded the $22,266 value according to tax records of the structure. The Order expired in June of 2014 and was posted on the property and advertised in the local newspaper, she said. Setliff said over $600 in 2012 and 2013 property taxes have not been paid.

Setliff added that the property is getting worse every month. The picture of the outside of the house found in the agenda packets was taken earlier. Councilman Gorham said the house looks worse than the picture represents.

**Councilman Gorham made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Walker and unanimously approved by Council in a 7-0 vote, to approve the demolition.**

The Order to Demolish as approved follows:

**ORDINANCE**

**TO DEMOLISH 401 NORTH WASHINGTON AVENUE, REIDSVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA**

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED:**

**WHEREAS**, on the 3rd day of February, 2014, at 10:00 a.m., the Codes Inspector of Reidsville, North Carolina conducted a hearing on violations of Chapter 4, Article II, Housing Code, Reidsville Code of Ordinances, Section 4-26, for the property at located at 401 North Washington Avenue, Reidsville, North Carolina Tax Map No. 8905-13-22-3981. The Complaint and Notice of Hearing was mailed to the owners and lienholder on January 1, 2014. Said owners being Zack Turner Martin, Jr., Sharon Denise Martin King, Angela Elizabeth Martin, William McKinley Martin, Linda Diane Martin, and Cheryl Delores Martin. The lienholder being Beneficial Financial, Inc. The Complaint and Notice of Hearing was served on Linda Diane Martin, William McKinley Martin, and Sharon Denise Martin King. The Complaint and Notice of Hearing was returned to the City for Zack Turner Martin, Jr., Angela Elizabeth Martin and Cheryl Delores Martin. The Complaint was served on the Lienholder. The Complaint and Notice of Hearing was published in the Reidsville Review newspaper on January 8, 2014, and posted on the subject property on January 6, 2014.

**WHEREAS**, said owners failed to appear at said hearing and presented no evidence, and whereas a copy of the Code Enforcement Order was mailed to the owners and lienholder via Certified Mail on March 12, 2014. The Code Enforcement Order was served on William McKinley Martin. The Code Enforcement Order being returned to the City for Zack Turner Martin, Jr., Sharon Denise Martin King, Angela Elizabeth Martin, Linda Diane Martin, and Cheryl Delores Martin. The lienholder was served the Code Enforcement Order. Furthermore, the Code Enforcement Order was posted on said property on March 12, 2014 and published in the Reidsville Review newspaper on March 16, 2014. The Order allowed said owner to demolish and remove the above structure on or before June 15, 2014 and whereas there has been no compliance with said Order in that said structure has not been demolished or removed, and remains dilapidated and unfit for human habitation, and constitutes a public health, safety, and fire hazard;

**NOW THEREFORE**, pursuant to the Reidsville Code of Ordinances, Section 4-29(c), the Code Enforcement Inspector of Reidsville, North Carolina is hereby ordered to cause the above structure located at 401 North Washington Avenue, Reidsville, North Carolina, to be demolished and removed. Pending the demolition and removal to post said structure as provided by N.C.G. S. 160A-443 and Section 4-29 (b) of the Reidsville Code of Ordinances.

This is the 9th day of July, 2014.

/s/

John M. “Jay” Donecker, Mayor, Reidsville, North Carolina

ATTESTED BY:

/s/

Angela G. Stadler, City Clerk

**CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS VEHICLES BY SPECIALTY AUCTION AND SEALED BID.**

In making the staff report, City Manager Pearce noted that from time to time, the City holds public or sealed bid auctions to get rid of surplus vehicles and equipment. Due to construction at Public Works, an auction cannot be held there so staff would like to send a few items to a public auction in Charlotte. The knuckleboom truck will be done at a later date, he said, asking that Council approve sending the sewer flusher truck and flat bed boom truck to auction as listed on the resolution.

Pearce said there are other pieces of property that the City would like to include in a sealed bid auction, which the City Clerk will advertise in the newspaper with bids opened on August 22. The record of those bids will be made on September 10th to Council, he added.

Pearce added that for historical purposes, there are three ways to get rid of public property, all three of which are being done today: upset bid, public auction and sealed bid auction. Mayor Donecker asked if the City insignia is removed from the vehicles? The City Manager said he would check on that.

City Attorney Bill McLeod Jr. noted that the Resolutions being considered should state that North Carolina General Statutes permits the City to sell personal property, not real property, and the correct NCGS citation for the public auction resolution should be 160A-270(b).

**With those corrections to the Resolutions, Councilman Turner made the motion, seconded by Councilman Gorham and unanimously approved by Council in a 7-0 vote, to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Public Auction sale.**

The Resolution as approved follows:

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| **City_Seal1** | **RESOLUTION OF THE REIDSVILLE CITY COUNCIL****AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC AUCTION BID SALE****FOR THE****DISPOSAL OF CERTAIN SURPLUS EQUIPMENT** |

**WHEREAS,** the City of Reidsville owns certain surplus equipment that it desires to dispose of; and

**WHEREAS,** North Carolina General Statute § 160A-270(b) permits the City to sell personal property by public auction; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE REIDSVILLE CITY COUNCIL HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SALE OF THE FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT by PUBLIC AUCTION:**

**DESCRIPTION of EQUIPMENT to be SOLD**

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| *Item* | 1A  |
| *Description* | Sewer Flusher Truck - City Identification - #375 |
| *Model* | 2000 International |
| *Miles / Hours* | 112,594 mi / 16,353 hr |
| *Notes* | Vehicle runs and operates, interior is worn, parts of vacuum unit has rusted. |

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| *Item* | 2A |
| *Description* | Flat Bed Boom Truck - City Identification - #80 |
| *Model* | 1987 GMC |
| *Miles / Hours* | 44,642 mi |
| *Notes* | Unit is operable, interior is very worn, boom assembly leaks. Insp. & maint. Records avail. |

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| *Item* | 3A |
| *Description* | Knuckle boom Container Truck - City Identification - #302 |
| *Model* | 1997 Ford F800 |
| *Miles / Hours* | 117,607 mi |
| *Notes* | Truck is in fair condition, the PTO cable is broken and truck accelerates slowly. |

1. City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to dispose of the designated equipment via Public Auction.

1. City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to execute an agreement between the City and J.J. Kane Associates Inc. (d.b.a. J.J. Kane Auctioneers) for the disposal of the assets. (Agreement attached).
2. City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to authorize J.J. Kane Auctioneers to dispose of said assets on behalf of the City per the agreement.

Adopted this 9th day of July, 2014.

ATTEST:

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| Angela G. Stadler, CMC/NCCMCCity Clerk |  | John M. “Jay” Donecker, Mayor |

**Mayor Pro Tem Brown then made the motion, seconded by Councilman Balsley and unanimously approved by Council in a 7-0 vote, to approve the Resolution Authorizing a Sealed Bid Sale.**

The Resolution as approved follows:

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| **City_Seal1** | **RESOLUTION OF THE REIDSVILLE CITY COUNCIL****AUTHORIZING A SEALED BID SALE****FOR THE****DISPOSAL OF CERTAIN SURPLUS EQUIPMENT** |

**WHEREAS,** the City of Reidsville owns certain surplus equipment that it desires to dispose of; and

**WHEREAS,** North Carolina General Statute § 160A-268 permits the City to sell personal property by advertisement and sealed bid; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE REIDSVILLE CITY COUNCIL HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SALE OF THE FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT by SEALED BID:**

**DESCRIPTION of EQUIPMENT to be SOLD**

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| *Item* | 1B |
| *Description* | Utility Service Truck - City Identification - #183 |
| *Model* | 1986 Ford F600 |
| *Miles and/or Hours* | 28,048 mi |
| *Notes* | Engine runs well, needs clutch & battery, interior worn, dents and bumps on body. |

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| *Item* | 2B |
| *Description* | Air Compressor - City Identification - #68 |
| *Model* | 1986 |
| *Miles and/or Hours* | 379 hr |
| *Notes* | Operable and mounted on #183 above. Cranks from truck battery. |

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| *Item* | 4B |
| *Description* | Rear Loader Refuse Truck - City Identification - #309 |
| *Model* | 1994 GMC |
| *Miles and/or Hours* | 103,924 mi |
| *Notes* | Truck runs, but is in overall poor conditions. |

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| *Item* | 5B |
| *Description* | Passenger Car - City Identification - #244 |
| *Model* | 1989 Chevrolet Citation |
| *Miles and/or Hours* | 80,993 mi |
| *Notes* | None |

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| *Item* | 6B |
| *Description* | Surplus Police Car - City Identification - #398 |
| *Model* | 2003 Ford Crown Victoria |
| *Miles and/or Hours* | 132,187 mi |
| *Notes* | Bad transmission |

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| *Item* | 7B |
| *Description* | Surplus Police Car - City Identification - #431 |
| *Model* | 2006 Ford Crown Victoria Interceptor |
| *Miles and/or Hours* | 110,652 |
| *Notes* | Wrecked & no transmission |

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| *Item* | 8B |
| *Description* | Police Seized Vehicle |
| *Model* | 2002 Lincoln LS |
| *Miles and/or Hours* | 172,173 mi |
| *Notes* | None provided |

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| *Item* | 9B |
| *Description* | Aerial Bucket Truck - City Identification - #365 |
| *Model* | 2000 Dodge |
| *Miles and/or Hours* | 82,921 mi |
| *Notes* | Mechanically good, rough interior, boom requires repairs, needs tires, records available. |

1. The City will accept sealed bids for the property until 12:00 p.m., **August 22nd, 2014**. Bids shall be delivered to Mr. Chris Phillips, Assistant City Manager / Finance, City Council Conference Room, 1st Floor City Hall, 230 W. Morehead Street, Reidsville, NC 27320.
2. At 2:00 p.m., **August 22nd, 2014**, all bids received shall be opened in public and the amount of each bid recorded. The record of bids shall be reported to the City Council at their regular meeting on **September 10th, 2014**.
3. The Reidsville City Council will determine the highest responsible bidder for the property and will award the bid by its regular meeting on **September 10th, 2014**. Bids will remain open and subject to acceptance until City Council awards the bid.
4. To be responsible a bid must be accompanied by a bid deposit of five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid. A bid deposit may take the form of cash, a cashier’s check, a certified check, or a surety bond. The deposit of the bidder to whom the award is made will be held until sale of the property is closed; if that bidder refuses at any time to close the sale, the deposit will be forfeited to the City. The deposits of other bidders will be returned at the time City Council awards the property to the highest responsible bidder.
5. In addition, to be responsible, a bidder must be current on payment of all property taxes owed to the City.
6. The City reserves the right to withdraw the equipment from sale at any time and the right to reject all bids.
7. Inquiries about the property and the sale may be made to Mr. Chris Phillips, Assistant City Manager / Finance, 230 W. Morehead Street, Reidsville, NC 27320. Telephone number (336) 349-1030 or via email: cphillips@ci.reidsville.nc.us

Adopted this 9th day of July, 2014.

ATTEST:

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| /s/ |  | /s/ |
| Angela G. Stadler, CMC/NCCMCCity Clerk |  | John M. “Jay” Donecker, Mayor |

**PUBLIC COMMENTS.**

**Astin recognizes National Humor Month.**

Douglas Wayne Astin of 512 Merrick Street came forward. A contributing writer and sometime performer at Laugh Tracks open mic night, he noted that July is National Humor Month. He presented to Council members and staff, a Laugh Tracks t-shirt designed by his company. Council thanked him.

**CITY MANAGER’S REPORT.**

City Manager Pearce said he had nothing more to report than could be found in his report in the agenda packet. (A COPY OF THE CITY MANAGER’S REPORT IS HEREIN INCORPORATED AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.) Once the subcontractor gets the piece they need, the Parks & Rec building will have air conditioning over there, something they haven’t had in years. He congratulated Parks & Rec for the fabulous 4th of July celebration, noting the teamwork that goes into the event.

**BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS:**

The City Manager also passed out the ballots for the boards and commissions.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS’ REPORTS.**

**Councilwoman Walker** – The Councilwoman noted that several businesses have closed in the past week or so. Roger Hayes has sold his downtown business selling Fenton glass to a couple from Wilmington who will, hopefully, open it back up in the old Hooper & Moore building. The health food store and Swann Paint Company, which opened in 1990, has gone out of business. Kim Swann and Mason King, who have done a lot of work to revitalize downtown Reidsville, will be missed, she said. The Councilwoman also encouraged everyone to come to the downtown Farmers Market although you have to come early for the tomatoes. She said she appreciated all of the good things the farmers are doing.

**Councilman Turner** – No report.

**Councilman Balsley** – The Councilman noted that there was no Planning Board meeting last month. He called upon Diane Sawyer to make a brief Chamber report. She reminded everyone of the ice cream social tomorrow at Market Square and that the Chamber Coffee has been changed to the News & Record office on August 7. Slots are open for the Chamber Golf Tournament on August 20. The Business Showcase is coming, she added.

**Mayor Pro Tem Brown** – The Mayor Pro Tem announced that he attended a ribbon cutting today with Councilman Balsley at the Center for Active Retirement. He complimented Tom Wiggins and his staff on the Independence Day celebration. He noted the Moonlight Madness basketball program has been successful and will be completed in about two weeks. Teens who met certain requirements will be able to go on a beach trip, he said. Football registration is beginning. Several Reidsville All-Star baseball teams, representing the Minor and Major leagues, have qualified for the State Tournament, he added.

**Councilman Hairston** – The Councilman said it was great to see the Salvation Army in its new building. Several Community Watch groups are getting excited about National Night Out, which will be held in the first Tuesday in August. As partners with the City, Community Watch is about improving the quality of life, he noted. Other neighborhoods interested in forming Community Watch groups should contact the Interim Police Chief, the Councilman said.

**Councilman Gorham** – The Councilman said it has been a pretty busy month and that he had attended several ribbon cuttings, including the new Mexican restaurant on Scales Street and the Salvation Army. He said he had also attended a Senior Center meeting and Community Watch meetings at Ann Ruston and Washington Street. A highlight of the month was attending Doyle O’Bryant’s retirement reception, he said. He also attended Mayor/Council Hours on June 17, he added.

**Mayor Donecker** – The Mayor noted that the night of the Mayor/Council Hours when Councilman Gorham was there, they also met with senior citizens who wanted to make sure there was some king of groundbreaking for the new Senior Center. He said hopefully that could get done in September. The July 4th celebration was a collaborative effort, the Mayor noted, saying it was heartwarming to see everyone getting together and getting stuff done. He stated that there are a number of vacancies in our boards and commissions and encouraged everyone to participate. July 22nd is the next Mayor/Council Hours and tomorrow night he will be on City Chat and on July 14, he will be on Monday Night Live, he said. He asked Council members to share with him any issues they think he should discuss with Ken Echols.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF BOARD & COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS.**

City Clerk Angela Stadler announced the following unanimous board and commission appointments (A COPY OF THE BALLOTS ARE HEREIN INCORPORATED AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.):

**Reidsville Appearance Commission** – Re-appointment of Carlton Johnson, 1415 Brookwood Drive.

**Reidsville Historic Preservation Commission** – Appointment of Norma Craddock, 408 Piedmont Street.

**Reidsville Human Relations Commission** – Appointment of Regina Faye Pierce, 134 Holden Drive, for an Outside-City vacancy.

**Change of date for August Council meeting.**

**Mayor Donecker asked Council members to change their August meeting date to Monday, August 11, at 6 p.m. since Councilman Turner could not meet on the regularly scheduled meeting date of August 12. Council members agreed unanimously to change to date.**

The Mayor asked staff to advertise the change in meeting date, including putting it on the electronic sign at Market Square and sending out a CodeRED message to our citizens.

**Motion to go into closed session.**

**Councilman Gorham made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Walker and unanimously approved by Council in a 7-0 vote, to go into closed session under G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6) for personnel.**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN.**

**Upon return to open session, Councilman Gorham made the motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brown and unanimously approved by Council in a 6-0 vote, to adjourn at approximately 4:35 p.m. (*Councilman Turner had left the meeting near the end of the closed session*.)**

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 John M. “Jay” Donecker, Mayor

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 Angela G. Stadler, CMC/NCCMC, City Clerk