

Salisbury, North Carolina
March 1, 2011

REGULAR MEETING

PRESENT: Mayor Susan W. Kluttz, Presiding; Mayor Pro Tem Maggie A. Blackwell, Councilmen William (Pete) Kennedy, William Brian Miller, and Paul B. Woodson, Jr.; City Manager David W. Treme; City Clerk Myra B. Heard; and City Attorney F. Rivers Lawther, Jr.

ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kluttz at 4:00 p.m. The invocation was given by Mayor Pro Tem Maggie A. Blackwell.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Kluttz led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Mayor Kluttz welcomed all visitors present.

RECOGNITION - SALISBURY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ALISHA BRADSHAW AND ROMAR MORRIS

Mayor Kluttz noted Ms. Alisha Bradshaw was unable to attend due to illness, and her accomplishments would be recognized at the March, 15, 2011 City Council meeting.

Mayor Kluttz recognized Mr. Romar Morris for receiving All-County and All-Conference status, and winning the 55-meter dash event of the North Carolina 1A/2A/3A Championship. She read a Proclamation proclaiming March 1, 2011 as Romar Morris Day, and presented a framed copy of the Proclamation to Mr. Morris. Mayor Kluttz also acknowledged

Coach Darius Bryson and Athletic Director Joe Pinyan, who were present at the meeting. She congratulated Mr. Morris, the coaches, and the team for their accomplishments.

REPORT- NORTH CAROLINA MAIN STREET AWARDS

Mr. Joe Morris, Community Planning Services Director, stated the North Carolina Main Street Awards were recently held in Shelby, North Carolina, and there were four winners from Salisbury in various categories. Mr. Morris acknowledged the 2010 North Carolina Main Street Award winners:

- Best Outdoor Space Improvement – City of Salisbury for the Central City Parking Lot
- Best Event Series – Downtown Ghost Walk and Friday Night Out Series
- Main Street Champion – Councilman Brian Miller
- Best Adaptive Reuse – the Norvell Theater

Mayor Kluttz noted Councilman Miller recently gave a report to Council regarding the North Carolina Main Street Awards, but did not mention he had won one of the awards. She expressed Council’s pride in Councilman Miller for winning the Main Street Award. She also congratulated all of the winners from Salisbury.

Mayor Kluttz then presented the Main Street Award to members of the Piedmont Players Board of Directors. She explained members of Piedmont Players were unable to attend the awards ceremony in Shelby because the event coincided with the opening night of a play.

Members of the Piedmont Players Board of Directors expressed their gratitude to the City for presenting the award and their continued commitment to the performing arts.

CONSENT AGENDA

(a) Approval of Minutes

Approve Minutes of the Special Meeting of February 10-11, 2011, and the Regular Meeting of February 15, 2011.

Thereupon, Mr. Kennedy made a **motion** to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Messrs. Kennedy, Miller, Woodson, and Mses. Blackwell and Kluttz voted AYE. (5-0)

DISTRICT MAP AMENDMENT – LDOZ-02-2011 CITY OF SALISBURY

(a) Senior Planner Preston Mitchell addressed Council regarding LDOZ-02-2011, a request to rezone properties located west of Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue from General Residential (GR-6) and Corridor Mixed-Use (CMX), to Light Industrial (LI). Mr. Mitchell noted the properties are located along Lumber Street, Mildred Avenue, Railroad Street and East Harrison Street. He indicated the area contains Goodman Lumber Company, Akzo Novell, and Graham Roofing which are industrial uses located behind Rufty-Holmes Senior Center.

Mr. Mitchell stated the properties are currently zoned CMX, with a small area of GR-6. He displayed ground photographs of the various properties.

Mr. Mitchell reviewed the request in regards to applicable policies from the Vision 2020 Plan:

Policy I-5: Industries adjoining existing residential uses shall provide and maintain for adequate screening and buffering. New residential development moving into an area adjoining an existing industrial use shall have the burden of providing for its own screening and buffering.

Mr. Mitchell indicated the request is a corrective rezoning, and explained that the area was previously zoned Light Industrial (M-1) under the old Zoning Code. He stated the old M-1 zone had the greatest number of permitted uses and fit the existing uses while still allowing for the residential area adjacent to the industrial sites. Mr. Mitchell indicated when the new Land Development Ordinance (LDO) was adopted, much of the M-1 district converted to CMX because the list of permitted uses closely matched. He pointed out for this particular area the properties should have remained industrial, because they are clearly industrial uses and not entirely consistent with the CMX district.

Mr. Mitchell stated the Planning Board voted unanimously to recommend approval of the request.

(b) Mayor Kluttz convened a public hearing, after due notice thereof, to receive comments regarding Land Development district map amendment LDOZ-02-2011.

There being no one present to address Council, Mayor Kluttz closed the public hearing.

(c) Councilman Woodson stated the City Council hereby finds and determines that adoption of an ordinance to rezone the property as described herein is not entirely consistent with the goals, objectives, and policies of the Vision 2020 Comprehensive Plan but that adoption of the ordinance is reasonable and in the public interest. Thereupon, Mr. Woodson made a **motion** to adopt an Ordinance amending the Land Development district map of the City of Salisbury, North Carolina, by rezoning approximately 17 acres (15 parcels), identified as tax map & parcels 017-065, 017-066, 018-005, 018-00501, 018-007, 018-008, 018-009, 018-010, 018-011, 018-011A, 018-012, 018-014, 018-015, 018-221, and 018-223, from General Residential (GR-6) District and Corridor Mixed-Use (CMX) District to Light Industrial (LI) District. Ms. Blackwell seconded the motion. Messrs. Kennedy, Miller, Woodson, and Mses. Blackwell and Kluttz voted AYE. (5-0)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, NORTH CAROLINA, BY REZONING APPROXIMATELY 17 ACRES (15 PARCELS), IDENTIFIED AS TAX MAP & PARCELS 017-065, 017-066, 018-005, 018-00501, 018-007, 018-008, 018-009, 018-010, 018-011, 018-011A, 018-012, 018-014, 018-015, 018-221, AND 018-223, FROM GENERAL RESIDENTIAL (GR-6) DISTRICT AND CORRIDOR MIXED-USE (CMX) DISTRICT TO LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (LI) DISTRICT.

(The above Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book No. 23 at Page Nos. 19-20, and is known as Ordinance 2011-10.)

DISTRICT MAP AMENDMENT LDOZ-04-2011 TIMOTHY HOFFNER

(a) Senior Planner Preston Mitchell addressed Council regarding LDOZ-04-2011, Timothy Hoffner. He stated the request is to rezone property along Sherrills Ford Road from Neighborhood Mixed-Use (NMX) to Highway Business (HB). He noted the area consists of two parcels located just north of the intersection of Sherrills Ford and Mooresville Road/Highway 150.

Mr. Mitchell indicated the current zoning for the site is NMX, with a General Development-A Overlay on the two parcels in question, as well as the adjacent parcels at the corner of Sherrills Ford Road and Highway 150. He pointed out all of the zoning surrounding this area is Rural Residential (RR), and he reviewed ground photographs of the site and surrounding properties.

Mr. Mitchell reviewed the applicable policies from the Vision 2020 Plan in regards to the request:

Policy C-16: Commercial or other development that would jeopardize the public health, safety, and welfare of an existing residential neighborhood shall not be permitted. However, new mixed-use developments, planned from the outset, which allow for a compatible mixture of uses with a pedestrian scale and design, are encouraged. Further, businesses may be approved adjoining (and therefore convenient to) an existing residential area, when such businesses can be shown to clearly satisfy design considerations similar to a newly planned, pedestrian-scaled, mixed-use development.

Mr. Mitchell stated staff believes the request is not inconsistent the Vision 2020 policy because the property is located at the intersection of two major thoroughfares, and there is not a fully developed neighborhood in the area.

Mr. Mitchell indicated the Planning Board unanimously voted to recommend approval of the request.

He pointed out the General Development-A (GDA) Overlay was a carry-over from the old Code to the new Land Development Ordinance (LDO). He noted the new Code does not

allow new GDA Overlays, but recognizes the older existing ones. He stated the request is to remove the GDA Overlay from the two parcels in question, but to retain it on the corner parcels. He commented staff believes the development requirements in the new LDO are sufficient and adequate to provide high quality development on the parcels.

Mr. Mitchell stated staff thinks the NMX is an inappropriate zoning district for this area, He referred to the NMX development along South Fulton Street adjacent to Fulton Heights, and noted it is an example of small-scale retail and restaurant development within a mixed-use and higher density area. He noted with this request, the area includes the intersection of two major thoroughfares and is automobile dominant and not mixed-use in nature.

(b) Mayor Kluttz convened a public hearing, after due notice thereof, to receive comments regarding Land Development district map amendment LDOZ-04-2011.

There being no one present to address Council, Mayor Kluttz closed the public hearing.

Councilman Kennedy stated he thinks this request is reasonable because the property is located on a major highway.

(c) Councilman Kennedy stated the City Council hereby finds and determines that adoption of an ordinance to rezone the property as described herein is consistent with the goals, objectives, and policies of the Vision 2020 Comprehensive Plan and that adoption of the ordinance is reasonable and in the public interest. Thereupon, Mr. Kennedy made a **motion** to adopt an Ordinance amending the Land Development district map of the City of Salisbury, North Carolina, by repealing a portion of the General Development-A Overlay, and rezoning approximately 3.47 acres (2 parcels), identified as tax map and parcels 459-131 and 459-240, from Neighborhood Mixed-Use (NMX) District to Highway Business (HB) District. Mr. Woodson seconded the motion.

Councilman Miller asked Mr. Mitchell the requirements for recreational open space for commercial developments. Mr. Mitchell responded if the site was developed residentially the recreational open space would be required, but it is not required for commercial development. He added if recreational open space were a requirement it would have to be accessible and an improved area.

Mayor Kluttz then called for the vote. Messrs. Kennedy, Miller, Woodson, and Meses. Blackwell and Kluttz voted AYE. (5-0)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, NORTH CAROLINA, BY REPEALING A PORTION OF THE GENERAL DEVELOPMENT-A OVERLAY, AND REZONING APPROXIMATELY 3.47 ACRES (2 PARCELS), IDENTIFIED AS TAX MAP AND PARCELS 459-131 AND 459-240, FROM NEIGHBORHOOD MIXED-USE (NMX) DISTRICT TO HIGHWAY BUSINESS (HB) DISTRICT.

(The above Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book No. 23 at Page Nos. 21-22, and is known as Ordinance 2011-11.)

DISTRICT MAP AMENDMENT – LDOZ-05-2011 POOLE AND HUDSON

(a) Senior Planner Preston Mitchell addressed Council regarding LDOZ-05-2011, Poole and Hudson. He stated the request is to rezone approximately ¾ of an acre located at 530 Faith Road from Urban Residential (UR8) to Residential Mixed-Use (RMX). He noted this request is similar to a request approved by Council at its February 15, 2011 meeting for property located across the street from this site.

Mr. Mitchell explained RMX is most appropriate for residential development and professional office development. He reviewed ground photographs of the site and the surrounding properties, and noted the site is located at the corner of Fairview Street and Faith Road. He pointed out a single-family structure on the property which is proposed for adaptive reuse for professional office purposes.

Mr. Mitchell indicated there are two adopted Plans applicable to the rezoning request. He reviewed the plan in regards to the Eastern Gateway Area Plan:

Special Policy Area B: Special Policy area B (SP-B) encompasses the section of Faith Road from Gold Hill Drive to Jake Alexander Boulevard under the Urban General (UG) Future Land Use Map (FLUM) classification...residents along and adjacent to this section of Faith Road want to preserve the character and scale of development along this section of the roadway. Redevelopment must be limited to adaptive reuse of existing structures for professional offices or new construction of House building types for professional offices or residential up to 4 units per house type.

He then reviewed the Vision 2020 Plan:

Policy N-11: Architecturally compatible, residentially scaled office and institutional development may be permitted to locate along the sides of neighborhood planning areas. Under specified conditions, this policy may be applied to the conservation of pre-existing residential properties located along major streets where, due largely to traffic exposure, homes have become unsuitable for residential occupancy. In such instances, adaptive reuse of existing residential structures shall be viewed more favorably than demolition and new construction.

Mr. Mitchell stated the Planning Board voted unanimously to recommend approval of the request.

Councilman Miller asked where ingress and egress for the property is located. Mr. Mitchell responded the ingress/egress is from Fairview Street. Mr. Miller asked if access could be gained to Faith Road. Mr. Mitchell indicated Faith Road is a North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) street. He noted if the property was redeveloped NCDOT would be involved in the review, and staff would work with them to determine the best location for ingress/egress.

(b) Mayor Kluttz convened a public hearing, after due notice thereof, to receive comments regarding Land Development district map amendment LDOZ-05-2011.

There being no one present to address Council, Mayor Kluttz closed the public hearing.

(c) Councilman Miller stated the City Council hereby finds and determines that adoption of an ordinance to rezone the property as described herein is consistent with the goals, objectives, and policies of the Vision 2020 Comprehensive Plan, as well as the policies of the Eastern Gateway Area Plan and that adoption of the ordinance is reasonable and in the public interest. Thereupon, Mr. Miller made a **motion** to adopt an Ordinance amending the Land Development district map of the City of Salisbury, North Carolina, by rezoning approximately 3/4 acre (1 parcel), identified as tax map and parcel 071-097, from Urban Residential (UR-8) District to Residential Mixed-Use (RMX) District. Ms. Blackwell seconded the motion. Messrs. Kennedy, Miller, Woodson, and Mses. Blackwell and Kluttz voted AYE. (5-0)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, NORTH CAROLINA, BY REZONING APPROXIMATELY 3/4 ACRE (1 PARCEL), IDENTIFIED AS TAX MAP AND PARCEL 071-097, FROM URBAN RESIDENTIAL (UR-8) DISTRICT TO RESIDENTIAL MIXED-USE (RMX) DISTRICT.

(The above Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book No. 23 at Page Nos. 23-24, and is known as Ordinance 2011-12.)

SALISBURY TRANSIT SYSTEM - COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION

(a) Public Services Director Tony Cinquemani and Transit Manager Rodney Harrison addressed Council regarding the FY2012 Community Transportation Program (CTP) Grant.

Mr. Harrison indicated the grant provides financial assistance to support public transportation services in rural and urban areas with a population of less than 50,000, not included in the urbanized area. He stated funds can be used for the cost of transit planning activities, local project administration, transit operations, and the purchase of capital equipment of facilities to aid in the provision of transit services.

Mr. Harrison indicated the City must submit a CTP grant application each year and he reviewed the highlights of the CTP grant:

- North Carolina Department of Transportation Public Transportation Division
- Application submitted each year for approval
- Major funding source for transit system
 - Administrative
 - Operating
 - Capital
 - Facility

Mr. Harrison discussed the projected funding allocations:

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>
Administrative	80%	5%	15%
Operating	20%	0%	80%
Capital	80%	10%	10%
Facility	80%	10%	10%

He then reviewed the Funding Allocations:

FY2012

Administrative	\$213,828	
Operating	802,309	
Capital	458,884	
Facility	95,370	
Total	<u>\$1,570,391</u>	City's Share \$729,348

FY2011

Administrative	\$213,828	
Operating	793,256	
Capital	524,800	
Facility	-0-	
Total	<u>\$1,531,884</u>	City's Share \$719,160

Grand Total of Difference	\$38,507
City's Share of Difference with Reimbursement	\$10,188

Mr. Harrison discussed Budget Changes (before reimbursements):

Administration

FY12	\$213,828
FY11	<u>\$213,828</u>
	\$0

Operating

FY12	\$802,309
FY11	<u>\$793,246</u>
	\$9,053

He then reviewed the Capital Budget Changes (before reimbursements):

Self Contained Fueling System	\$200,000
Spare Parks for Buses	19,100
Light Transit Vehicle with lift	150,000
Audio Visual Equipment for Training	600
Computers Replaced	3,000
Surveillance/AVAS System and Spare Parts	28,832
Bus Equipment	7,180
Shop/Facility Equipment	50,172
Total	<u>\$458,884</u>

Requested FY11 \$524,800 - a decrease of \$65,916

Mr. Harrison noted the Facility Budget Changes (before reimbursements):

Shelters, Benches, Installation	\$84,070
Parking Lot Light Repair	1,000
Telephone Repairs/Replacements	100
Repairing Shelters	10,200
Total	<u>\$95,370</u>

He then discussed the Projected Funding Allocations:

	Federal	State	Local
<u>Administrative</u>	<u>80%</u>	<u>5%</u>	<u>15%</u>
2011-2012 (\$213,828)	\$171,062	\$10,691	\$32,075
2010-2011 (\$213,828)	\$171,062	\$10,691	\$32,075
<u>Operating</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>0%</u>	<u>80%</u>
2011-2012 (\$802,309)	\$160,462	\$0	\$641,847
2010-2011 (\$793,256)	\$158,651	\$0	\$634,605
<u>Capital</u>	<u>80%</u>	<u>10%</u>	<u>10%</u>
2011-2012 (\$458,884)	\$367,107	\$45,888	\$45,889
2010-2011 (\$524,800)	\$419,840	\$52,480	\$52,480
<u>Facility</u>	<u>80%</u>	<u>10%</u>	<u>10%</u>
2011-2012 (\$95,370)	\$76,296	\$9,537	\$9,537
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Mr. Harrison reviewed the CTP Grant Commitment

Salisbury Transit Shared Expenses	\$729,348
Less:	
Projected State Maintenance Assistance Program	-208,000
Projected Fare and Other Revenue	-90,000
City of Salisbury Commitment	\$431,348

Mr. Harrison stated the Fixed Route Ridership continues to increase and he noted the ridership data:

	<u>Fixed Route</u>	<u>American with Disabilities Act</u>
FY2010	182,294	7,587
FY2009	176,856	8,381
FY2008	170,521	8,664

(b) Mayor Kluttz convened a public hearing, after due notice thereof, to receive comments regarding Salisbury Transit System’s proposed Community Transportation Program Grant Application.

Ms. Mary Adams, 315 Lash Drive, Apartment 201, urged Council to help the residents who live in the Lash Drive Community and need transit services. She noted many residents did not recognize the small bus used for the Lash Drive Connector was providing transit services. She stated parents cannot take children on the small bus and this is also a problem. Ms. Adams stated there are 600 families located in the neighborhood, many with children, and many without transportation. She asked Council for help to continue bus service to the neighborhood.

Council noted Ms. Adams was speaking in regards to Agenda Item 12 – Council to receive an update from staff regarding the Lash Drive Connector transit service for residents of the Lash Drive community.

There being no one else present to address Council, Mayor Kluttz closed the public hearing.

(c) Thereupon, Mr. Woodson made a **motion** to adopt a Resolution seeking permission to apply for Community Transportation program funding and to enter into an agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation to provide necessary assurances and the required local match. Mr. Kennedy seconded the motion and stated it is very important to continue transportation services for the citizens. Messrs. Kennedy, Miller, Woodson, and Mses. Blackwell and Kluttz voted AYE. (5-0)

RESOLUTION SEEKING PERMISSION TO APPLY FOR COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FUNDING AND TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PROVIDE NECESSARY ASSURANCES AND THE REQUIRED LOCAL MATCH.

(The above Resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book No. 14 at Page No. 4, and is known as Resolution 2011-04.)

UPDATE – LASH DRIVE CONNECTOR TRANSIT SERVICE

Transit Manager Rodney Harrison indicated at the January 20, 2009 Council meeting, Ms. Mary Adams of Crosswind Apartments, and Mr. Archie Reid, Resident Coordinator Laurel Park Apartments, presented a petition requesting bus service in the Lash Drive Community. He noted the community consists of the Crosswinds Apartments, Fleming Heights Apartments, LakeWood Apartments, Laurel Point Apartments, and the Laurels Nursing Home.

Mr. Harrison stated Council decided to offer the Lash Drive Connector as a pilot project to connect the community with Route 2 at the Salisbury Mall/Dollar Tree. He noted service is offered Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 a.m. until 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Harrison noted Council received an update at its September 21, 2010 meeting regarding the status of the Lash Drive Connector, and Council agreed to continue the service and monitor its progress.

Mr. Harrison stated staff worked well with the community to provide information about the service and he noted the following examples:

- Information was available at outreach programs such as Rufty-Holmes, Rowan Reads, Halloween Fun Fest, and Customer Service Center Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
- Initial and follow-up flyers distributed in community
- Informational meeting at Crosswinds
- Recreated flyer to emphasize “all ages” can ride
- Staff had an informational table and bus at the National Night Out held in the community

Mr. Harrison indicated the Lash Drive Connector is a unique service because its service population is 1,188 and operates two days per week. He pointed out the two Rowan Express services have larger service populations and operate five days per week. He shared data regarding ridership for the three services:

	<u>Riders/Day</u>	<u>Cost/Rider</u>
Lash Drive Connector	13	\$20.65
Rowan Express-Rockwell	16	\$17.45
Rowan Express-Kannapolis	52	\$10.29

Total Trips – 1,153

Mr. Harrison reviewed the expenses for the Lash Drive Connector:

- Contractor will increase hourly rate from \$21.50 to \$30.00
- First 10 months expenses = \$23,780
- Future yearly expenses = \$43,260

Mr. Harrison stated the Transportation Advisory Board reviewed the information at its February 10, 2011 meeting and recommended continuing the service based on:

- Limited service population
- Needed service for senior population
- Additional housing units may be added
- Fixed income community
- Inclusion in future transportation plans

He pointed out having the service included in future transportation plans may provide an opportunity to increase the number of days the service is offered at a lower cost.

Mayor Kluttz indicated Council will not take action on this issue today, and commented the issue is the service is very expensive for the number of people who use it.

Councilman Woodson asked about the increase in the service from \$21.50 to \$30.00. Mr. Harrison responded the contractor who provides the service agreed to assist the City to offer the pilot project, and it was not a budgeted item. He added the contractor is now at a point of budgeting for next year and the cost would be a more appropriate rate for the service offered.

Mayor Kluttz asked Mr. Harrison to explain why the service is only offered two days per week. Mr. Harrison stated the pilot program was not budgeted and funding had not been identified, but Council wanted to offer a service to the residents in the community. He stated staff met with residents of the community to hear what they wanted from the service, and at that time the residents indicated they would be satisfied with one day per week service because they knew there was no funding. He indicated after review, it was decided to offer the service two days per week.

Mayor Kluttz asked about the restriction for using the service with small children. Mr. Harrison explained the bus is a 15-passenger van and North Carolina law requires that children ride in child safety seats for this type of vehicle. He stated children are allowed to ride on the bus, but a child safety seat would have to be provided, and many riders feel it is too cumbersome to carry the child safety seat to and from their destinations. He pointed out safety seats are not required for regular transit buses.

City Manager David Treme indicated staff is in the process of putting together the proposed budget for FY2011-2012 and there are many challenges for the new fiscal year. He commented items may appear to be affordable when viewed individually, but he indicated he would like to wait to look at this issue with the overall budget. He stated he hopes to have the proposed budget to Council within the next 45-60 days. Mr. Treme noted this project would require additional money that has not been budgeted, and as the contract increases it becomes an expensive service while the ridership has remained low. He commented he thinks Council will be in a better position to make a decision about the route when it has an opportunity to review the entire budget. He added the budget will be challenging and services may be altered because of the reduction in sales tax funds, the State of North Carolina budget, and the revaluation.

Councilman Kennedy stated it appears there may be misinformation about who can ride the bus, and he asked staff to hold an additional information session with the community which might increase the ridership while Council reviews the budget. Mr. Harrison responded he will provide additional information.

Mr. Woodson asked how much it costs to use the transit service. Mr. Harrison responded it is \$1.00 per trip or \$2.00 for a roundtrip, and for seniors or disabled citizens the cost is \$.50 per trip or \$1.00 roundtrip.

Mr. Kennedy pointed out the numbers are skewed in comparison with the Kannapolis Express which has a greater service area. Mr. Harrison noted the services are very different but he wanted to provide all of the information to Council.

RESOLUTION - CLEAN WATER MANAGEMENT TRUST FUND APPLICATION

Salisbury-Rowan Utilities (SRU) Director Jim Behmer addressed Council regarding a grant application to the Clean Water Management Trust Fund.

Mr. Behmer indicated the grant application seeks partial funding of a project to eliminate the Second Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant. He noted SRU obtained the wastewater treatment plant from Rowan County in 2004, and it currently discharges into a nutrient sensitive waterway. He stated the project would divert the flow to SRU's regional facility which recently received the Platinum Award for 100% compliance.

Mayor Kluttz asked if there is a limit on the amount that can be requested in the grant. Mr. Behmer indicated there were 160 applications requesting over \$157 million dollars. He added the Clean Water Management Trust anticipates funding \$50 million of the requests.

Thereupon, Ms. Blackwell made a **motion** to adopt a Resolution authorizing an application to the Clean Water Management Trust Fund for funding the Second Creek Waste Water Treatment Plant Elimination Project. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Messrs. Kennedy, Miller, Woodson, and Mses. Blackwell and Kluttz voted AYE. (5-0)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE CLEAN WATER MANAGEMENT TRUST FUND FOR FUNDING THE SECOND CREEK WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT ELIMINATION PROJECT.

(The above Resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book No. 14 at Page No. 5, and is known as Resolution 2011-05.)

AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO SIGN ROBERTSON FOUNDATION GRANT APPLICATION – LINCOLN PARK POOL

Parks and Recreation Director Gail Elder White presented Council a map and proposed estimates for the Lincoln Park Pool Renovation Project, Phase 1. She noted this phase will add a splash pad to the pool area. Ms. Elder White stated she is hopeful to receive grant funding from the Robertson Foundation, and start construction in the fall of 2011 after the pool closes for the summer.

Ms. Elder White pointed out there is currently \$45,000 budgeted in the capital budget, along with \$42,000 received from the North Carolina Railroad for the closing of Horah Street, for this project. She stated she is requesting \$98,000 from the Robertson Foundation, and the total project is estimated to be \$185,000.

Thereupon, Mr. Woodson made a **motion** to authorize the Mayor to sign a grant application in the amount of \$98,000 to the Blanche and Julian Robertson Family Foundation for Phase I renovations of the Lincoln Park Pool. Ms. Blackwell seconded the motion. Messrs. Kennedy, Miller, Woodson, and Mses. Blackwell and Kluttz voted AYE. (5-0)

RECOGNITION OF LIVINGSTONE STUDENTS

Councilman Woodson noted students from Livingstone College were in attendance. Mayor Kluttz welcomed the students and Political Science Professor Dr. Barbara Simms-Maddox.

COMMENTS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

(a) Temporary Street Closure – South Main Street

City Manager David Treme noted a memorial service will be held for fallen firefighters Monday, March 7, 2011, and a temporary street closure is needed to accommodate the large fire apparatus. Mr. Treme requested South Main Street be closed from the intersection of Old South Main Street to A Street from 8:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m.

Mayor Kluttz noted the memorial program begins at 8:30 a.m. and asked if the closure should begin earlier. Fire Chief Bob Parnell indicated an earlier time would help, and Mr. Treme changed the request from 8:00 a.m. until 9:30 p.m.

Thereupon, Mr. Woodson made a motion to approve the closing. Mr. Kennedy seconded. Messrs. Kennedy, Miller, Woodson, and Mses. Blackwell and Kluttz voted AYE. (5-0)

(b) FY2011-2012 Proposed Budget

City Manager David Treme stated staff is working on the proposed budget for FY2011-2012 and hopes to have additional information within the next 45 to 60 days. He commented staff will develop a plan to meet the current challenges to present to Council.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS(a) Covenant Community Connection – “Meet Your Neighbor”

Mayor Kluttz announced the Covenant Community Connection will host its fourth “Meet Your Neighbor” public forum, Tuesday, March 15, 2011 from 7:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. at Rowan Cabarrus Community College Teaching Auditorium. For more information contact Betty Jo Hardy at 704-636-6119.

(b) Spring Community Yard Sale

Salisbury Parks and Recreation will host a Spring Community Yard Sale Saturday, March 19, 2011, from 7:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon at the Miller Recreation Center, 1402 West Bank Street. To reserve a table please call 704-638-5297.

(c) Firefighters Memorial Service

Mayor Kluttz announced a memorial service for Salisbury’s two fallen firefighters will be held Monday, March 7, 2011 at 8:30 a.m. at the Fireman’s Memorial located on South Main Street.

(d) Boards and Commissions Appointments

Mayor Kluttz announced Council will be making appointments to its Boards and Commissions at its March 15, 2011 meeting. She noted applications are available on the City’s website www.salisburync.gov, by calling the City Clerk’s office at 704-638-5224, or by coming to City Hall.

(e) Revaluation Data

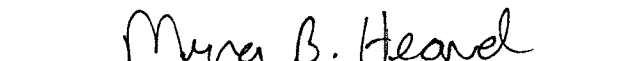
Councilman Miller asked Mr. Treme when revaluation data will be available. Mr. Treme stated revaluation notices are being sent either this week or next, but he anticipates the revaluation figure to be less than it was for Salisbury last year. He noted he has not seen an official figure, but he understands it will be released the first or second week of March.

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ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Woodson, seconded by Mr. Miller. All council members in attendance agreed unanimously to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m.


Susan W. Kluttz, Mayor


Myra B. Heard, City Clerk