REGULAR MEETING

PRESENT: Mayor Susan W. Kluttz, Presiding; Mayor Pro Tem Paul B. Woodson; Councilmen William (Bill) Burgin, William (Pete) Kennedy, and Mark N. Lewis; City Manager David W. Treme; City Attorney F. Rivers Lawther, Jr.; and City Clerk Myra Heard.

ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kluttz at 4:00 p.m. The invocation was given by Councilman Lewis.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Mayor Kluttz recognized all visitors present.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Mayor Kluttz noted the following changes to the Agenda:

Postpone Item 9 – Council to consider zoning map amendment Z-10-07 City of Salisbury, B-5 Central Business zoning district.

Postpone Item 10 – Council to consider zoning map amendment Z-08-07 City of Salisbury, Camp Road Annexation Area
Add Item 5(c) - Information regarding Parenting Classes offered by Rowan Partners for Education.

Mayor Kluttz noted that public hearings were advertised for the two (2) agenda items being postponed and Council will still hear from anyone who might be in attendance for those items. She noted that Council will hold formal public hearings for the two (2) items at its October 2, 2007 meeting.

**UPDATE ON COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND GANG PREVENTION PLAN**

(a) Adolescent & Family Enrichment Council

Ms. Carol Ann Houpe, Director of the Adolescent and Family Enrichment Council, stated that the Adolescent and Family Enrichment Council is a United Way agency whose mission is to strengthen families. She noted that while working with issues affecting adolescents it was determined that there was a need to reach the parents of the adolescents and the Adolescent and Family Enrichment Council began parenting classes. She stated that all parents can benefit from the parenting classes which are offered for parents of young children up to adolescents. Ms. Houpe indicated that the Adolescent and Family Enrichment Council will attend any group meeting to provide the parenting classes and because the Council is a United Way agency, the classes are offered free of charge. The Adolescent and Family Enrichment Council can be reached at 704-630-0481.

(b) Rowan Partners for Education

Ms. Louise Wooten, Director for Rowan Partners for Education, indicated that they partner with the Adolescent and Family Enrichment Council to provide parenting classes in the community. She stated that Rowan Partners for Education focuses on parental involvement in schools and through surveys of elementary and middle school teachers developed a “Parents on Track” workshop. She stated that the workshop was offered at North Rowan with a good turn out and it will now be offered at five (5) locations around the community. Parents who are interested in the workshops can contact Partners for Education at 704-642-0700 or visit their website at www.educaterowan.org.

Mayor Kluttz noted that citizens can also contact the Chamber of Commerce, United Way or the Mayor’s Office to receive contact information for the organizations.

**PROCLAMATION**
Mayor Kluttz proclaimed the following observance:

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH   September 15 – October 15, 2007

CONSENT AGENDA

(a) Approval of Minutes


(b) Group Development Site Plans

Approve the following group development site plans:

- G-10-68   Catawba College, 2300 West Innes Street
- G-01-75   Salisbury High School, 500 Lincolnton Road
- G-13-07   Larry Hess & Associates, 185 Piper Lane

(c) Temporary Street Closing – Park Avenue

Close the 600 block of Park Avenue Saturday, September 15, 2007 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. for a Park Avenue Neighborhood Celebration.

(d) Temporary Street Closing – North Jackson Street

Close the 100 block of North Jackson Street Saturday, October 12, 2007 from 12:00 Noon until 7:00 p.m. for St. John’s Lutheran Church Octoberfest.

Councilman Burgin requested that he be excused from group development G-01-75 Salisbury High School, 500 Lincolnton Road.

Thereupon, Mr. Lewis made a motion to approve G-01-75 Salisbury High School, 500 Lincolnton Road.

Thereupon, Mr. Woodson made a motion to excuse Mr. Burgin from voting. Mr. Lewis seconded the motion. Messrs. Kennedy, Lewis, Woodson, and Ms. Kluttz voted AYE (4-0).

Mayor Kluttz asked for a motion to approve group development site plan G-01-75.

Thereupon, Mr. Lewis so moved. Mr. Woodson seconded the motion. Messrs. Kennedy, Lewis, Woodson, and Ms. Kluttz voted AYE (4-0).
Thereupon, Mr. Lewis made a **motion** to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Burgin seconded the motion. Messrs. Burgin, Kennedy, Lewis, Woodson, and Ms. Kluttz voted AYE (5-0).

**2006-2007 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT**

(a) Ms. Janet Gapen, Senior Planner, presented the FY2006-2007 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report. She noted that this is a summary of the accomplishments in community development programs with funds received from the United States Housing and Urban Development (HUD) department. She added that the monies are administered through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Program funds. She reviewed the FY2006-2007 Resources:

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<th>Resource Type</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tr>
<td>CDBG Entitlement Grant</td>
<td>$341,450.00</td>
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<td>CDBG Program Income</td>
<td>$120,718.21</td>
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<td>HOME Program Funds</td>
<td>$126,926.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>HOME Program Income</td>
<td>$160,615.49</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>$749,709.70</td>
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Ms. Gapen reviewed the performance measures as required by HUD and reported in the CAPER:

**Activity:** **Acquisition, Rehabilitation, or New Construction**

- **Projects Completed:** Thirteen (13)
- **Consolidated Plan**
- **Annual Goal:** Four (4) Projects
- **HUD Objective:** Provide decent housing
- **HUD Outcome:** Affordability

**Activity:** **Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation**

- **Projects Completed:** 0
- **Consolidated Plan**
- **Annual Goal:** Five (5) Projects
- **HUD Objective:** Provide decent housing
- **HUD Outcome:** Availability/Accessibility

Ms. Gapen pointed out that the County has begun CDBG and HOME programs and many of the homes that were on the City’s list were actually in the County and will be rehabilitated through the County’s program.
Other performance measures included:

**Activity:** Emergency Rehabilitation  
Projects Completed: Four (4)  
Consolidated Plan  
Annual Goal: Six (6) Projects  
HUD Objective: Provide decent housing  
HUD Outcome: Affordability/Accessibility

**Activity:** Homeownership Assistance  
Projects Completed: Three (3)  
Consolidated Plan  
Annual Goal: Four (4) Projects  
HUD Objective: Provide decent housing  
HUD Outcome: Affordability

Ms. Gapen stated that the Community Development Corporation (CDC) continued offering homeownership education programs which included classes on money management, home maintenance, landscaping and other basic homeownership skills. She added that the classes consisted of ten (10) hours of instruction and there were forty-six (46) participants this year.

**Activity:** Non-housing Neighborhood Improvements  
Projects Completed: Two (2) (fence and sidewalk installation)  
Consolidated Plan  
Annual Goal: Two (2) project  
HUD Objective: Create suitable living environments  
HUD Outcome: Sustainability

Ms. Gapen reviewed the CDBG funds allocated for public service activities:

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<th>Agency</th>
<th>Total Number Benefits from Activity</th>
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<tr>
<td>Rowan Helping Ministries</td>
<td>263</td>
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<td>Family Crisis Council</td>
<td>116</td>
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<td>Community Care Clinic</td>
<td>435</td>
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<td>Youth Employment Program</td>
<td>9</td>
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<tr>
<td>West End Community Garden</td>
<td>504</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,327</strong></td>
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Foreclosure Prevention Program:  
- Funding from State and private sources (Non-HUD)  
- During FY2006-2007:
- Four hundred thirty eight (438) families affected by GDX and Freightliner layoffs contacted Salisbury Community Development Corporation (CDC)
- Fifty-seven (57) families received direct financial assistance
  - Since 2003, over $500,000 in mortgage assistance has been provided to over two hundred (200) families

Ms. Gapen described a new Home Maintenance Program being offered through the CDC noting:
  - Program awards homeowners who save at least $25 per month
  - Dollar-for-dollar match on home maintenance needs up to $500
  - Fourteen (14) homeowners enrolled during FY2006-2007

She noted that the CDC received the Homes 4NC Housing Achievement Award from the North Carolina Association of Realtors for the West End Revitalization Project and the 2007 Humanitarian Service Award in recognition of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Ms. Gapen reviewed the number of persons reached or assisted by Fair Housing activities:

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<th>Activity</th>
<th>Persons Assisted</th>
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<td>Housing Programs</td>
<td>8</td>
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<tr>
<td>Homeownership Classes</td>
<td>46</td>
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<tr>
<td>Home Maintenance Program</td>
<td>14</td>
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<tr>
<td>Foreclosure prevention counseling or assistance</td>
<td>438</td>
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<td>Other (neighborhood meetings, civic groups, etc.)</td>
<td>83</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>589</strong></td>
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She also noted the leveraged funds for the year:

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<td><strong>Private Funds:</strong></td>
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<td>Foundation for the Carolinas</td>
<td>$114,762.00</td>
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<td>Private Lenders</td>
<td>$20,000.00</td>
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<td>Credit counselors</td>
<td>$4,800.00</td>
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<td>Architect services</td>
<td>$2,000.00</td>
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<td>Guest speakers</td>
<td>$1,000.00</td>
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<td>Private donor</td>
<td>$1,000.00</td>
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<td><strong>Public Funds:</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>NC Housing Finance Agency</td>
<td>$80,812.22</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$224,374.22</strong></td>
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(b) Mayor Kluttz convened a public hearing, after due notice and advertisement thereof, to receive comments on the Consolidated Annual Planning and Evaluation Report.

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

Council thanked Ms. Gapen for her work on the CAPER and the Community Development work done throughout the year.

**ZONING MAP AMENDMENT Z-10-07 – CITY OF SALISBURY**

Z-10-07 City of Salisbury, B-5 Central Business District

Mayor Kluttz noted that this item will be postponed until October 2, 2007 and indicated Council would receive informal public comment from anyone who wished to speak regarding this issue. She stated that citizens who address Council today may also address Council during the October 2, 2007 meeting.

Mayor Kluttz then opened the floor to receive public comment regarding zoning map amendment Z-10-07.

There being no one to address Council, Mayor Kluttz closed the public comment session.

**ZONING MAP AMENDMENT Z-08-07 – CITY OF SALISBURY**

Z-08-07 City of Salisbury, Camp Road Annexation Area

Mayor Kluttz noted that this item will be postponed until October 2, 2007 and indicated Council would receive informal public comment from anyone who wished to speak regarding this issue. She stated that citizens who address Council today may also address Council during the October 2, 2007 meeting.

Mayor Kluttz then opened the floor to receive public comment regarding zoning map amendment Z-08-07.

There being no one to address Council, Mayor Kluttz closed the public comment session.

**ZONING MAP AMENDMENT Z-12-07 – CITY OF SALISBURY**

Z-12-07 City of Salisbury, Harrison Road Annexation Area
(a) Mr. Preston Mitchell, Senior Planner, informed Council that this case is required as follow-up to the 2007 annexation which became effective June 30, 2007. He stated that the case involves two (2) areas along Majolica Road that were part of the Harrison Road Annexation Area and now require a change from County zoning to City zoning as required by State Statute. He explained that the City’s policy is to establish “like” zoning that is similar to the current County zoning. He noted that if the development on the ground is inconsistent with the County zoning the policy calls for the appropriate zoning based on the existing development. Mr. Mitchell stated that staff does not find any objections to the proposals in regards to the City’s 2000 Growth Plan or 2020 Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Mitchell pointed out the first area is two (2) tracks of land adjacent to the railroad tracks on Majolica Road consisting of two (2) single-family homes. The second area is further south on Majolica Road on Dove Meadow Drive. He reviewed the current County and City zoning and noted that the zoning line runs down Majolica Road. The two (2) areas are currently zoned County Rural Agriculture (RA) with some Commercial, Business, Industrial (CBI) adjacent to the area.

Mr. Mitchell stated that staff proposes to place R-20 Single-family zoning on the two (2) properties on the north end adjacent to the railroad tracks and commented that the zoning is consistent with the size of the two (2) parcels. He indicated that for the Dove Meadow Drive area staff proposes R-15 with a Manufactured Home Overlay. He stated that R-15 is consistent with the lot sizes in this area and the Manufactured Home Overlay allows some of the homes, which are Class 2A double wide homes, to remain.

Mr. Mitchell indicated that the Planning Board found the petition to be consistent with the 2000 Growth Plan and 2020 Comprehensive Plan and recommended approval as proposed.

(b) Mayor Kluttz convened a public hearing, after due notice and advertisement thereof, to consider zoning map amendment Z-12-07 to establish zoning on recently annexed properties.

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

(c) Mayor Pro Tem Woodson stated that the City Council hereby finds and determines that adoption of an ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Salisbury is consistent with the goals, objectives, and policies of the Strategic Growth Plan and the Comprehensive Plan and that adoption of the ordinance is reasonable and in the public interest. Thereupon, Mr. Woodson made a motion to adopt an Ordinance amending the official zoning map of the City of Salisbury, North Carolina, by zoning approximately 17.6 acres on 19 parcels to City of Salisbury R-15 Single-family 15 district with a manufactured home overlay district and R-20 Single-family 20 district.
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, NORTH CAROLINA, BY ZONING APPROXIMATELY 17.6 ACRES ON 19 PARCELS AS IDENTIFIED IN THIS ORDINANCE, TO CITY OF SALISBURY R-15 (SINGLE-FAMILY-15) DISTRICT WITH A MANUFACTURED HOME OVERLAY DISTRICT AND R-20 (SINGLE-FAMILY-20) DISTRICT.

(The above Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book No. 21, at Page Nos. 189-190, and is known as Ordinance No. 2007-58.)

AWARD CONTRACT – JOHNSON MODEL VT-650 STREET SWEEPER

Mr. Dewey Peck, Purchasing Manager, displayed a photograph of a Johnson Street Sweeper. He explained that abrasion and rust are the main issues with street sweepers and noted that the City has rebuilt its current unit twice. He stated that the body of the proposed unit will be completely stainless steel and staff hopes it will last considerably longer than the current units being used. He added that the typical service life of the current units is ten (10) to twelve (12) years.

Mr. Peck informed Council that the City is requesting a piggy-back purchase for this unit because the State of South Carolina Department of Transportation recently awarded a contract for the purchase of this particular unit. He stated that the contractor has agreed to sell the City the same equipment at the same price.

Thereupon, Mr. Woodson made a motion to award a contract in the amount of $178,940.98 to Carolina Industrial Equipment for the purchase of Johnson Model VT-650 Street Sweeper. Mr. Kennedy seconded the motion. Messrs. Burgin, Kennedy, Lewis, Woodson, and Ms. Kluttz voted AYE. (5-0)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A JOHNSON MODEL VT-650 STREET SWEEPER FOR THE STREET DEPARTMENT.

(The above Resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book No. 12, at Page No. 55, and is known as Resolution No. 2007-34.)

NAMING OF TRAIL WITHIN CENTENNIAL PARK IN FULTON HEIGHTS

Ms. Gail Elder White, Parks and Recreation Director, indicated that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board considered a petition from the Fulton Heights Neighborhood to name a section of Centennial Park in honor of Reginald and Ann Hall. She explained that Mr. Hall donated property to the City to extend Centennial Park and a woodland trail would exist within the part of the property donated by Mr. Hall. She stated that on September 13, 2007 the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board unanimously approved a Resolution to open a thirty (30) day period for public input in conjunction with City policy, and will return for Council’s approval on November 6, 2007. She noted that the
Board has requested Council consider an alternative option for the public comment period before naming the trail.

Mayor Pro Tem Woodson stated that the grand opening for Centennial Park will be October 20, 2007 and the Parks and Recreation Board would like to have the trail named prior to the dedication. He requested Council consider a twenty (20) day public comment period in order to take action at Council’s October 16, 2007 meeting.

Mayor Kluttz asked for a motion to adopt a Resolution which indicates a twenty (20) day public comment period.

Thereupon, Mr. Woodson made a motion to change the thirty (30) day Resolution to twenty (20) days. He stated that Whereas, the Salisbury City Council in accordance with the 1997 naming public properties policy recommends that a 20 day public input period be established for the naming of the woodland trail within Centennial Park: and Whereas, Mr. Reginald Hall and his wife Ann have graciously donated property to expand Centennial Park, the naming shall be “The Reginald J. and Ann Hall Woodland Trail”; and Whereas, this trail is consistent with the Park Master Plan of Centennial Park, and Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Salisbury City Council hereby recommends establishment of a public input period and consideration of approval of the above name at the October 16, 2007 City Council meeting. Mr. Kennedy seconded the motion. Messrs. Burgin, Kennedy, Lewis, Woodson, and Ms. Kluttz voted AYE. (5-0)

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE NAMING OF A TRAIL WITHIN CENTENNIAL PARK.

(The above Resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book No. 12, at Page No. 56, and is known as Resolution No. 2007-35.)

COMMENTS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

(a) Public Information Update

City Manager David Treme indicated that last year Council approved creation of a Public Information Officer position for the City and recognized Public Information Officer Karen Wilkinson to review the past year in public information. Ms. Wilkinson informed Council that a draft marketing plan was developed in July 2006 which included internal support, public information outreach, and opportunities to expand with public outreach.

Ms. Wilkinson reviewed highlights for 2006-2007:

Special Events
• Salisbury, England delegation special event
• La Fiesta de Rowan
• Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast
• Chief Benjamin Navarrete visit and Hispanic Training Sessions/Latino Initiative
• 2007 Salisbury City Council Annual Future Directions and Goal Setting Retreat
• 2007 NC City/County Manager’s Conference Customer Service Presentation
• New Police Department Dedication
• Fire Department Number 4 Dedication
• Mayor’s Spirit Luncheon and Integration Plaque Dedication
• Salisbury Rowan United Summit Media Blast
• Salisbury-Rowan United Summit July 14, 2007
• NC League of Municipalities Press Conference to rally support for State Gang Legislation

Promotions/Initiatives/Campaigns
• City-wide recycling initiative
• Transit Free Ride – Ozone Action Days resulting in a forty (40) percent increase in riders
• City of Salisbury United Way Campaign 2006-2007 where the City surpassed its goal by raising $64,024.47

Information Awareness
• City Office Building Information Station
• Salisbury promotional packets
• Employee newsletters
• Annexation newsletters
• Project SAFE Booklets for adults and children

Ms. Wilkinson informed Council that eighty-six (86) Access 16 movie segments and PowerPoint’s were created, seventy-three (73) photography and video shoots were held, six hundred seventy-eight (678) press and media releases distributed, one hundred seventeen (117) local TV segments and radio recordings were done, and over twenty-eight thousand (28,000) print publications were printed for distribution.

Mayor Kluttz commented that Ms. Wilkinson has done an outstanding job during the last year and the amount of work has been incredible. She added that she feels the distribution of information has enabled positive coverage of many City events and she feels it will be important documentation for the City’s history. She thanked Ms. Wilkinson for her support and work.

Mr. Treme informed Council that Ms. Wilkinson has completed work at the University of Massachusetts where she will receive a degree in public information which will help supplement her twenty (20) years of public information and marketing experience.
(b) United Way Day of Caring

City Manager David Treme indicated that one of Council’s goals is to find ways to support the Rowan-Salisbury School System and recently City employees participated in the United Way Day of Caring where they worked at various schools. Ms. Karen Wilkinson, Public Information Officer, displayed photographs of teams from the City who worked at various locations around the County during the Day of Caring. The teams were:

- Salisbury Police Department – West Rowan High School
- Landscape Division – Salisbury High School
- Salisbury Fire Department – American Red Cross
- Utilities Department – Mt. Ulla Elementary
- Utilities Department – Erwin Middle School
- Utilities Department – East Rowan YMCA
- Facilities Management – Rufty-Holmes Senior Center
- Street Division – Partners in Learning
- Land Management and Development, Finance and Public Information – Rowan Helping Ministries

(c) 2006-2007 Parks and Recreation Annual Report Video

Ms. Gail Elder White, Parks and Recreation Director, presented a video to Council which summarized the Goals and Outcomes for Parks and Recreation. She noted that the video will be used as part of the Parks’ “Did You Know?” series to run on Access 16 beginning within the next week.

(c) Drought Conditions

Mr. Jeff Jones, Senior Engineer, updated Council on drought conditions for Salisbury and Rowan County. He noted that there was approximately two and one-half (2.5) and three (3) inches of rain throughout the mountain area that feeds into the Yadkin River Basin. He stated that when there is significant rain the water levels increase dramatically and then slowly level as the upland rainfall makes its way to the river.

Mr. Jones indicated that Governor Mike Easley sent letters to all water systems in the State requesting they enact voluntary water restrictions. He stated that during August Salisbury-Rowan Utilities (SRU) had a maximum withdrawal of thirteen (13) million gallons per day (mgd) and by last week were down to approximately eight and one-half (8.5) mgd. He added that this is close to a thirty-five (35) percent reduction from the maximum day, which indicates customers are voluntarily reducing their water use. Mr. Jones stated that with the eight and one-half (8.5) mgd withdrawal SRU is returning approximately seven and two-tenths (7.2) mgd which results in a one and three-tenths (1.3) mgd net withdrawal. He added that this means approximately ninety-nine and seven-tenths (99.7) percent of the water in the Yadkin River continued downstream past
Salisbury. Mr. Jones noted that several communities did institute voluntarily restrictions in response to the Governor’s letter but there are several communities that have not.

Mayor Pro Tem Woodson asked Mr. Jones how the current water level compares to this time last year. Mr. Jones responded that currently, after the recent rainfall, the water levels are still twice the flows of the drought of 2002.

City Manager David Treme commented that the City has not instituted voluntary restrictions because the water withdrawal has reduced and a great portion of what is taken from the river is returned.

COUNCIL TO RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Kluttz opened the floor to receive public comment. There being no one present to address Council, Mayor Kluttz closed the public comment session.

OTHER CONCERNS

Bridge Underpass – Old Concord Road

Mayor Pro Tem Paul Woodson indicated he had received a telephone call regarding the bridge underpass on Old Concord Road and Gold Hill Drive Extension. He stated that there are no lights in the area and it is very dark under the bridge at night.

Mr. Dan Mikkelson, Director of Land Management and Development, stated that the bridge in question was replaced during the widening of I-85 and before construction there were street lights on each side of the bridge. During construction one street light was moved to the other side of the bridge and one was removed. He stated that the one remaining light is not working and the service request for repair has been received by Duke Power. He noted that the second light will require the North Carolina Department of Transportation’s (NCDOT) approval for placement in the right-of-way and added that NCDOT has given a verbal approval. Mr. Mikkelson stated that once the two lights are installed and working properly staff anticipates the problem will be relieved.

Traffic Signal – Jake Alexander Boulevard and Old Concord Road

City Manager David Treme indicated that there was also a problem with sight distance for a traffic signal on Jake Alexander Boulevard and Old Concord Road. Mr. Mikkelson indicated that City crews recently trimmed several Bradford Pear trees that were obstructing the signal light on Jake Alexander Boulevard. He showed Council before and after pictures of the intersection and stated that sight distance requirements are now being met.
MAYOR’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

(a) La Fiesta de Rowan

Mayor Kluttz announced that La Fiesta Rowan will be held Saturday, September 29, 2007 from 11:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. at the Salisbury Civic Center, 315 Boundary Street. Different items from the Latin American countries will be on display at the Rowan Public Library, 201 West Fisher Street.

(b) Food Lion/Milk Bone Contribution

Mayor Kluttz announced that Food Lion and Milk Bone presented a check for $10,000 to the Salisbury Police Department for the purchase of two (2) canine police dogs during a ceremony held today, September 18, 2007. She thanked Food Lion for their generosity and for being such a wonderful corporate citizen for Salisbury.

(c) Trinity Oaks Tailgate Party

Mayor Kluttz announced that earlier today Council attended a tailgate party at Trinity Oaks Retirement Home where they had lunch with its residents and coaches from Catawba and Livingstone Colleges. She noted that the residents have invited Council back to discuss City issues with them.

(d) Mayor’s Spirit Luncheon

Mayor Kluttz announced that the Mayor’s Spirit Luncheon will be held Tuesday, October 2, 2007 at 12:00 Noon in Council Chamber at City Hall, 217 South Main Street. She noted that Ms. Rose Post, who is retiring after fifty-six (56) years with the Salisbury Post, will be honored during the luncheon.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Woodson, seconded by Mr. Burgin. All council members agreed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 p.m.

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Mayor

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City Clerk