

Salisbury, North Carolina
September 15, 2009

REGULAR MEETING

PRESENT: Mayor Susan W. Kluttz, Presiding; Mayor Pro Tem Paul B. Woodson, Jr., Councilmen William (Bill) Burgin, William (Pete) Kennedy, and Mark N. Lewis; 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 Councilman Burgin.

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.

RECOGNITION – ROWAN COUNTY AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL TEAM

Mayor Kluttz recognized the Rowan County American Legion Baseball Team for winning the North Carolina State Championship and the Southeast Regional Championship. She recognized Coach Jim Gantt, Team Manager Bob Lohman, and Mr. Banks Barringer and read a Proclamation naming September 15, 2009 as Rowan County American Legion Baseball Day. Mayor Kluttz then presented Coach Gantt a framed copy of the Proclamation and copies of the Proclamation for each team member.

Coach Gantt commented that it was an honor to have the team recognized for its accomplishments in the State Championship and the Legion World Series. He noted that while the players did an outstanding job, without members of the American Legion and the veterans, none of this would have been possible.

Mayor Kluttz congratulated Coach Gantt and the Legion Team for their outstanding accomplishment.

RECOGNITION – POSITIVE YOUTH INITIATIVE-PROJECT SAFE FAMILY DAY

Mayor Kluttz recognized Deputy Police Chief Rory Collins and Ms. Jackie Harris, Project SAFE Community Intervention Team Member, who presented plans for Project SAFE Salisbury Family Day to be held Saturday, September 19, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the J.F. Hurley YMCA, 828 Jake Alexander Boulevard.

Deputy Chief Collins noted that since 2001 Project SAFE has played a vital role in the community in battling violent crimes. He stated that in addition to working one-on-one with offenders, programs dealing with prevention, education, and awareness are offered. He indicated Project SAFE Neighborhood Family Day is in its fourth year and noted attendance in 2008 was over 1,400. Deputy Chief Collins stated that the focus will be on youth in kindergarten through fifth grade and their parents. He thanked Council for providing financial resources for the event this year.

Ms. Harris stated that the events for Family Day will include free food, entertainment, school supplies, and valuable door prizes. She noted that there will be many information booths and displays from community agencies along with three information workshops:

- Gangs & Curfew Awareness
- Parenting through Tough Times
- Drug Proofing Your Child

Mayor Kluttz thanked the Project SAFE Community Intervention Team members and planning committee for their hard work to make this event possible. She noted that she believes this event is one of the most important held in the community for the youth.

PRESENTATION – SALISBURY-ROWAN CRIME STOPPERS

Ms. Diana Moghrabi, Secretary of Salisbury-Rowan Crime Stoppers, and Officer Ann Cooper addressed Council regarding the Salisbury-Rowan Crime Stoppers Program. Ms. Moghrabi explained that the goal of the program is to generate anonymous tips from the community to assist in solving crimes and apprehending wanted felons. She noted that Crime Stoppers is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization run by volunteers consisting of community and business leaders.

Officer Cooper described the Crime Stoppers process:

- Crime Stoppers funds a designated cell phone line used by law enforcement officers to receive tips from callers
- Calls are received from citizens 24 hours a day everyday (identity kept anonymous)
- Information given to the investigator
- Caller assigned a number and instructed to call back to find out if they are eligible for a reward

Officer Cooper indicated that Crime Stoppers is funded through grants, local businesses, private donations and fundraisers. She noted that all funds are handled by an outside accountant and while the Crime Stoppers Board of Directors approves cash payments it does not handle the payments or receipt of funds.

Ms. Moghrabi thanked Council for the opportunity to share information and asked for citizen support through use of the tip line number 1-866-639-5245.

Mayor Kluttz stated that Council's priority is to keep citizens safe and expressed appreciation for work being done by the volunteer organization and law enforcement.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Kluttz proclaimed the following observance:

CONSTITUTION WEEK

September 17-23, 2009

CONSENT AGENDA

(a) Approval of Minutes

Approve Minutes of the Regular meetings of August 18, 2009 and September 1, 2009.

(b) Acceptance of Street – Oak Park

Accept the street at Oak Park and adopt an **ORDINANCE** establishing stop conditions.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 13-332, ARTICLE X, CHAPTER 13 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, RELATING TO STOP SIGNS.

(The above Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book No. 22 at Page No.154, and is known as Ordinance 2009-53.)

(c) Temporary Street Closing – Oak Road

Close a portion of Oak Road from 19 Oak Road to the dead end of the street Sunday, September 20, 2009 from 4:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. for a neighborhood party.

(d) Occupancy Tax Resolution Amendment

Amend Resolution 2009-24 to clarify the number of members appointed to the Salisbury Tourism Development Authority.

A RESOLUTION LEVYING A ROOM OCCUPANCY TAX WITHIN THE CITY OF SALISBURY UNDER NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION LAW 2009-428 AND CREATING A TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, A PUBLIC AUTHORITY UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET AND FISCAL CONTROL ACT.

(The above Resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book No. 13 at Page No.42, and is known as Resolution 2009-26.)

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

Mayor Kluttz commented that there have been questions concerning how the Salisbury Tourism Development Authority will be organized and she appointed Councilman Burgin and Councilman Lewis to a Council Committee to begin determining who should serve on the board and bring recommendations to Council at a later date.

2008-2009 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER)

(a) Ms. Janet Gapen, Senior Planner, stated that the Consolidated Annual Planning and Evaluation Report (CAPER) is prepared for the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to report on activities undertaken by the City using Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and HOME program funds. She noted that the funds are used to provide affordable housing TO revitalize neighborhoods in low to moderate income areas. Ms. Gapen stated that due to the economic climate this past year, completion of housing activities was down from previous years.

Ms. Gapen reported that the Community Development Corporation (CDC) has been involved in foreclosure prevention and has received numerous grants to continue the work started with the closing of Pillowtex in 2003. She noted that counseling has been provided to approximately 1,200 families in Rowan County during the past year. She indicated that funding for the foreclosure prevention program is through the State and private sources and reviewed the resources for the fiscal year 2008-2009:

Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)	\$ 305,021.00
HOME Program	118,255.00
Program Income	64,769.15
TOTAL	\$ 488,045.15

Ms. Gapen reviewed housing and neighborhood improvements in four locations, noting that over 66% of the households are in the moderate to low income bracket:

Jersey City

- One (1) acquisition/rehab completed in 2007-2008 was sold

West End

- One (1) owner-occupied home rehab completed
- One (1) new home under construction with about 85% completed – June, 2009

Park Avenue

- No new activities (one acquisition/rehab for sale)

East End

- Streetscaping improvements – Dixonville Cemetery

Scattered Site

- Two (2) emergency home rehabs completed

Ms. Gapen reviewed the nature of the public service activities funded with CDGB funds and the number of citizens who benefited from the funding:

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Total Number Benefiting from Activity</u>
Rowan Helping Ministries	203
Family Crisis Council	277
Community Care Clinic	1,032
Youth Employment Program	11
West End Community Garden	576
Total	2,099

Ms. Gapen then reviewed the source of funds received by the Salisbury CDC from non-HUD sources and a description of the activities. She pointed out that the first six sources are grants to be used for housing counseling and mortgage assistance for laid-off workers or any family threatened by foreclosure:

<u>Source</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Total</u>
Bank of America	Foreclosure Prevention Counseling	\$150,000.00
NC Housing Finance Agency	Foreclosure Prevention – 0% loans	70,000.00
Rowan County United Way	Mortgage assistance - laid-off workers	55,000.00
NC Banking Commission	Grant – Foreclosure Prevention	25,000.00

NC Housing Finance Agency	Credit Counseling	29,128.59
Credit counselors	Counseling services	2,400.00
Guest Speakers	Homeownership classes	1,000.00
KKA Architecture	House Plans	1,000.00
TOTAL		<u>\$333,528.59</u>

(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.

Mayor Kluttz commented that the original purpose of the Salisbury CDC was to provide first-time home ownership, but she thinks that preventing the loss of a home for 1,200 families is more important at this time. She thanked Ms. Gapen and the staff for the impressive report and the work they have done.

DISTRICT MAP AMENDMENT – CD-4-08-2009, SISTER ACT, LLC

(a) Mr. Preston Mitchell, Senior Planner, addressed Council regarding Land Development district map amendment CD-4-08-2009 Sister Act, LLC. He indicated that the petitioner is requesting an amendment to a portion of an existing Conditional District (CD) Overlay to allow for permitted uses. Mr. Mitchell pointed out that there is no site plan associated with the request because the site has been developed. He noted that this type of request would typically reference the Land Development Ordinance (LDO) and list only the prohibited uses, but since this is an amendment of an existing Ordinance approved under the old Zoning Ordinance, both prohibited and permitted uses must be listed.

Mr. Mitchell reviewed the criteria for a CD Overlay:

- CD Overlay
 - New or amendment – rezoning
 - Revision – not a rezoning
- Petitioner must be the property owner
- Content of Petition
 - Rezoning Petition (change/not change base district)
 - Master Plan
- Fair and reasonable conditions
- Rescind

Mr. Mitchell reviewed aerial photographs of the site and indicated that the site is currently developed with one building which contains two units, along with parking in front. He noted that the existing CD crosses Jake Alexander Boulevard and includes two parcels which are zoned Residential Mixed-Use (RMX). He pointed out that both parcels are included in the existing CD and are subject to Ordinance 1999-66 and noted that if

this amendment is adopted it will only affect the parcel located at 830 Faith Road.

Mr. Mitchell presented an on-site video report and noted that this amendment is associated with case Z-19-S-99. He indicated that the property was originally approved for an S-District Overlay in 1999 under Ordinance 1999-66 and noted that the implementation of the LDO changed all S-District Overlays to CD Overlays. He pointed out that along Faith Road the development is primarily Single Family Residential, however some homes along the street have been rezoned to RMX to allow for adaptive reuse. He stated that the request is to allow all RMX uses, those Permitted by Right (P) or Permitted with Standards (PS), and to allow General Retail up to 3,500 square feet. He indicated that since RMX does not allow retail the amendment contains a provision to include it. He stated that there are no proposed changes to the site and the proposed uses for it will be general retail in one unit and a beauty salon in the other.

Mr. Mitchell reviewed policies from the Vision 2020 Comprehensive Plan pertaining to this request:

- Policy N-12: Appropriate commercial and other services may be permitted to locate at the corners of neighborhood planning areas. Existing, less intensive development located at the intersection of major streets forming the corner of a neighborhood planning area may be allowed to undergo an orderly transition in this regard.
- Policy C-1: The preservation, rehabilitation and appropriate adaptive reuse of older commercial properties shall be encouraged. Such rehabilitation shall respect the original architecture and fabric of the building. Destruction or demolition of desirable older commercial structures shall be avoided.

Mr. Mitchell stated that since there is no development plan associated with this request the Alternative Design components of the LDO will not apply. Mr. Mitchell provided Council with a list of the permitted uses in RMX along with those uses that would require a Special Use Permit or CD.

Mr. Mitchell indicated that the Planning Board voted 8-1 to recommend approval of the proposed map amendment with the condition that all residential use be prohibited.

(b) Mayor Kluttz convened a public hearing, after due notice thereof, to receive comments on the proposed district map amendment CD-4-08-2009.

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

Councilman Burgin stated that this request appears to be straightforward and he has no objections to the rezoning as recommended by the Planning Board.

Councilman Lewis indicated that the amendment is consistent with the Vision 2020 Plan and is an appropriate fit for the property's location.

(c) Mr. Lewis stated the City Council hereby finds and determines that adoption of an Ordinance to rezone the property described herein and amend the Conditional District Overlay 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. Lewis made a **motion** to adopt an Ordinance amending the Land Development Ordinance and the Land Development district map of the City of Salisbury, North Carolina, by rezoning approximately 0.25 acres, identified as tax map & parcel 071-195 and located at 830 Faith Road, by amending a portion of an existing Conditional District Overlay to prohibit all residential uses and permit all other “P” and “PS” uses as well as General Retail: 3,500 square feet or less within the underlying Residential Mixed Use (RMX) District; identifying development conditions; providing an effective date; and for other purposes (Petition No. CD-4-08-2009). Mr. Woodson seconded the motion. Messrs. Burgin, Kennedy, Lewis, Woodson, and Ms. Kluttz voted AYE. (5-0)

ADOPT AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, NORTH CAROLINA, BY REZONING APPROXIMATELY 0.25 ACRES, IDENTIFIED AS TAX MAP & PARCEL 071-195 AND LOCATED AT 830 FAITH ROAD, BY AMENDING A PORTION OF AN EXISTING CONDITIONAL DISTRICT OVERLAY TO PROHIBIT ALL RESIDENTIAL USES AND PERMIT ALL OTHER “P” AND “PS” USES AS WELL AS GENERAL RETAIL: 3,500 SQUARE FEET OR LESS WITHIN THE UNDERLYING RESIDENTIAL MIXED USE (RMX) DISTRICT; IDENTIFYING DEVELOPMENT CONDITIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES (PETITION NO. CD-4-08-2009).

(The above Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book No. 22 at Page Nos. 155-157, and is known as Ordinance 2009-54.)

AWARD CONTRACT – BANK STREET BRIDGE

Ms. Wendy Brindle, Traffic Engineer, addressed Council regarding a contract for repairs to the Bank Street Bridge. Ms. Brindle explained that Federal regulations require the inspection of bridges on City-maintained streets every two years. She stated that the 2008 inspection resulted in a Prompt Action Notice which requires repairs to be completed in six months. She added that the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) extended the deadline to allow time to receive input from a consultant.

Ms. Brindle reviewed the items from the Prompt Action Notice and other items identified by the consultant to address to avoid future Notices:

- Prompt Action Notice - Corrosion and section loss
- Prompt Action Notice - Repair joints at end bents sagging and leaking on road surface
- Consultant - Replace rocker bearings
- Consultant - Repair of spall/cracks at end bents

Ms. Brindle stated that three bids were opened on August 25, 2009 for a base bid and two alternates with Country Boy Landscaping, Inc. being the low bidder. She indicated that the base bid will address the two Prompt Action items, Alternate A will address the consultant recommended items, and Alternate B will address non-urgent cleaning and repainting of the steel girders at the Fisher Street Bridge.

Base Bid	\$78,825
Alternate A	\$47,146
Alternate B	\$195,000

Ms. Brindle noted that Country Boy Landscaping holds an unclassified contractors license and received a favorable recommendation from NCDOT. She requested the Mayor be authorized to execute an agreement to award a contract to Country Boy Landscaping, Inc. for the base bid plus alternate A, for a total contract price of \$125,971. She indicated that money would be requested in the future for Alternate B, the painting of Fisher Street Bridge.

Councilman Burgin asked if the repairs will extend the lifespan of the bridge.

Ms. Brindle explained that a Prompt Action Notice does not necessarily mean the lifespan of the bridge has been decreased, but that it could be closed until the repairs are made. She commented that she would have to review the bridge report to determine the anticipated lifespan of the bridge.

Mr. Burgin asked if there has been discussion of replacing the Bank Street Bridge. Ms. Brindle clarified that there is no plan to replace the Bank Street Bridge in the near future.

Thereupon, Mr. Burgin made a **motion** to award a contract in the amount of \$125,971 to Country Boy Landscaping, Inc. for repairs to the Bank Street Bridge and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract. Mr. Kennedy seconded the motion. Messrs. Burgin, Kennedy, Lewis, Woodson, and Ms. Kluttz voted AYE. (5-0)

LICENSE AGREEMENT – NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION-GRANTS CREEK GREENWAY

Mr. Patrick Ritchie, Staff Engineer, addressed Council regarding an Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) regarding funding for the Grants Creek Greenway Phase 2, Project EB-3308. He explained that the Engineering Division has been working with NCDOT on this project for a number of years. He reviewed an aerial photograph and a map to identify the section of the Greenway which runs from Hogan’s Valley Way in the Crescent Neighborhood to the Meadowbrook neighborhood and connecting to Forestdale Drive. He noted that the Greenway is approximately .75 mile long and contains one pedestrian bridge over Jumping Run Branch. He clarified that the project is Phase 2 of the Salisbury Greenway, but in actuality is the third section to be constructed.

Mr. Ritchie reviewed pertinent items of the agreement:

- Project qualifies for 100% reimbursement utilizing American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) “Stimulus Funding”
- Maximum Amount of Reimbursement is \$300,000
- Requires additional tracking and reporting associated with ARRA
- Requires Execution of Agreement with NCDOT

Mr. Ritchie noted that the necessary right-of-way has been acquired and engineering designs have been completed and submitted to NCDOT.

Mr. Ritchie requested Council authorize the Mayor to execute a Municipal Agreement with NCDOT for Construction of the Grants Creek Greenway, Phase 2, Project EB-3308.

Thereupon, Mr. Woodson made a **motion** to authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation regarding funding for the Grants Creek Greenway Phase 2, Project EB-3308. Mr. Kennedy seconded the motion and noted that the City is pursuing this project because it does not require City funds. Messrs. Burgin, Kennedy, Lewis, Woodson, and Ms. Kluttz voted AYE. (5-0)

AWARD CONTRACT – SALISBURY CUSTOMER SERVICE FACILITY

Mr. John Sofley, Management Services Director, Mr. Dewey Peck, Purchasing Manager, and Mrs. Karen Alexander, KKA Architecture, addressed Council regarding a contract for the construction of the Salisbury Customer Service Center to be located at the intersection of Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue and Harris Street. Mr. Sofley commented that since its inception, the project has undergone a number of reviews resulting in changes and he asked Ms. Alexander to share these changes with Council.

Ms. Alexander reviewed the final formal rendering of the project. She noted that for budget reasons, brick veneer will be used on the foundation walls instead of concrete, and 18 feet tall trees have been added to screen the chiller system. She stated that only minor changes have been made to the floor plan.

Mr. Peck reviewed the six bids which were opened August 25, 2009, noting that Shelco, Inc. was the lowest bidder with a bid proposal of \$5,660,000. He stated that staff negotiated with Shelco, Inc., to reduce the cost to \$5,447,000. He recommended Council award the contract to Shelco, Inc., for the negotiated price of \$5,447,000.

Mayor Pro Tem Woodson asked Ms. Alexander how much a building of this type would have cost if it had been bid two years ago, before the market fell. Ms. Alexander responded that a building of this size is estimated to have cost over \$7 million.

Councilman Lewis asked Mr. Sofley if the money for this contract has been allocated. Mr. Sofley responded that the money has been allocated.

Thereupon, Mr. Kennedy made a **motion** to award a contract in the amount of \$5,447,000 to Shelco Construction Company, Inc. for construction of the Salisbury Customer Service Center Facility. Mr. Burgin seconded the motion. Messrs. Burgin, Kennedy, Lewis, Woodson, and Ms. Kluttz voted AYE. (5-0)

STAFF REPORT – DOWNTOWN PARKING LOTS IMPROVEMENTS

Ms. Lynn Raker, Urban Design Planner, presented an update regarding the Downtown Parking Lots Improvements Project. She noted there are three parking lot sites included in the project: Central City Lot, City Hall Parking Lot Expansion, and South Lee Street Parking Lot. She informed Council that work has begun on the Central City Lot located off of East Innes Street, behind Bernhardt's Hardware. She indicated that for safety reasons and to assist with construction, the lot must be closed during construction.

Ms. Raker reviewed the tentative construction schedule and activities for each week during the proposed five-week construction period for the Central City Lot:

Week One (September 14-18, 2009)

- Saw-cutting & trenching for utilities
- Conduit installation
- Curb layout

Week Two (September 21-25, 2009)

- Curb installation
- Begin brick paver installation in pedestrian areas

Week Three (September 28 – October 2, 2009)

- Complete curb installation
- Set light pole bases

Weeks Four-Five (October 5-16, 2009)

- Planter installation
- Paving
- Landscaping

Ms. Raker noted that construction is estimated to be complete by mid October. She stated that all of the businesses surrounding the Central City lot will be open for business, and that the City has leased parking spaces in the Lee Street Lot (old Belk Lot) for use by the merchants and employees.

Ms. Raker stated that Public Information and Communications Manager Karen Wilkinson has designed a communication plan for keeping the public informed. She noted that the plan includes WSTP radio spots, press releases, *Salisbury Post* print ads, the City's website and Facebook pages, flyers, and on-site signage.

Mayor Kluttz apologized to the business owners for the inconvenience and noted that she believes they will be very happy with the results.

Councilman Lewis asked how long the construction will last. Ms. Raker

responded that the contract for all three lots is 90 days.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. William Peoples, 522 North Fulton Street, thanked Council for its concern during his recent illness. He also thanked Engineering and Development Services Director Dan Mikkelson and staff for extending street lights to Old Wilkesboro Road, near Kelsey Scott Park. He stated that he understood Mr. Willie Granford deeded property for a right-of-way for sidewalk along Old Wilkesboro Road about fifteen years ago. He commented that in view of the fact that Salisbury is trying to become a walking community, he would like to request a study to see if it would be possible to extend sidewalk to Kelsey Scott Park. He noted that with the lack of parking at the Park, it would be helpful to have sidewalks for events such as Juneteenth so visitors could park farther away and walk.

Councilman Lewis stated he recalled that there was originally a plan to run a section of the Greenway to Kelsey Scott Park along Old Wilkesboro Road, but there were flood plain issues and the Greenway section had to be re-routed.

Mr. Mikkelson confirmed that at the time the Greenway was to begin, an area of wetlands that could not be disturbed was discovered and the Greenway was re-routed. He noted that approximately four years ago a cost-estimate was prepared to extend sidewalks on the opposite side of Old Wilkesboro Road from Brenner Avenue to Kelsey Scott Park, but funding for the project was not included in the budget. He stated that he will update the material estimate with an updated cost and provide this inform to Council. He indicated that he was unfamiliar with the property deeded for a right-of-way but will research the issue.

COMMENTS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

There were no comments from the City Manager.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

(a) Park Planning Session

Mayor Kluttz announced that the Parks and Recreation Department will host a Park Planning session for a new park to be located on North McCoy Road Thursday, September 24, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at Milford Hills United Methodist Church, 1630 Statesville Boulevard. All neighborhood residents are encouraged to attend.

(b) La Fiesta de Rowan

Mayor Kluttz announced that La Fiesta de Rowan will be held Saturday, September 26, 2009 from 12:00 noon until 6:00 p.m. at the Salisbury Civic Center, 315 Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue.

(c) OctoberTour 2009

Mayor Kluttz announced that the Historic Salisbury Foundation's OctoberTour 2009 will be held Saturday, October 10, 2009 and Sunday October 11, 2009.

GRASS CLIPPING CONCERN

Councilman Kennedy stated that he has received telephone calls from citizens who have seen landscape companies empty grass clippings into storm drains and asked staff to investigate to see if this is affecting streams and rivers.

Councilman Lewis questioned if landscaping companies who perform their service for payment should be responsible for the disposal of the yard waste rather than leaving for the City to pick up.

Mayor Kluttz requested staff look into this issue.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Woodson, seconded by Mr. Kennedy. All council members in attendance agreed unanimously to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

Susan Kluttz, Mayor

Myra Heard, City Clerk