

**REGULAR MEETING OF
THE TOWN OF DAVIDSON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting beginning at 6:00 p.m. on March 9, 2010. The meeting was held in the Town Hall Board Room.

Present were Mayor John Woods, Commissioners Laurie Venzon, Tim Dreffer, Margo Williams, Connie Wessner, and Brian Jenest. Also present were Town Attorney Rick Kline, Town Manager Leamon Brice, Assistant Manager Dawn Blobaum, Police Chief Jeanne Miller, Planning Director Kris Krider, Finance Director Eric Hardy, Parks and Recreation Director Steve Fraher, Downtown Director Sandy Lemons, Assistant Fire Chief Carl Corimer, and Planner Lauren Blackburn.

Mayor Woods called the meeting to order and briefly reviewed the Agenda. He proclaimed the month of March as *Census Awareness Month*, March 9, 2010 as *Davidson Arbor Day*, April is for the Arts, and April is *Fair Housing Month*.

Town Manager Leamon Brice requested removing Consent Agenda Items (b) (*request to adopt a Resolution Requesting No change in Air Quality Standards*) and (i) (*request to approve PiES Incubator Master Lease*). A Closed Session to discuss a legal matter was added to the Agenda.

Mayor Woods welcomed the IB Middle School Future City team, who presented their CARE project, Community Adaption Refugee Environment, an environmentally friendly housing project set 250 years in the future.

Members from this year's *Civics 101* graduating class were recognized by Mayor Woods and presented Town of Davidson mugs as a graduation present.

Alan Hall, General Manager of MI-Connection, presented an update on MI-Connection that included new marketing efforts, number of customers, new commercial customers, and financial information.

Kathleen Rose of *Rose & Associates Southeast, Inc.* gave a presentation on the PiES Incubator project.

Downtown Director Sandy Lemons welcomed Tripp Muldrow of Arnett and Muldrow. Mr. Muldrow gave a presentation on their market study and a recommendation for a strategic theme over the next three years. It was also recommended by Tripp Muldrow that the Town adopt a new brand logo and make changes to its current logo. Findings from their research and zip code study were also reviewed. The purpose of the presentation was to receive feedback as they finalize their recommendation. A brief discussion followed the presentation.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Venzon and unanimous vote, the Consent Agenda consisting of the following was unanimously approved:

- (a) Approved Minutes February 9 and February 16.
- (b) (*Removed from Agenda*)
- (c) Approved MTC 2010/2011 Legislative Agenda. **Exhibit IV (c)**
- (d) Approved change in the Personnel Policy regarding Civil Leave **Exhibit IV (d)**

- (e) Approved Resolution Authorizing Procurement of Architectural, Engineering and Surveying Services **Exhibit IV (e)**
- (f) Approved Little Gate Parcel O *APFO Determination Letter*. **Exhibit IV (f)**
- (g) Approved Resolution of Support to MI-Connection Application for the Google Project **Exhibit IV (g)**
- (h) Approved FY 2010 Budget Amendments. **Exhibit IV (h)**
- (j) Approved NCLM Legislative Agenda. **Exhibit IV (j)**

Following a brief update from Planning Director Kris Krider on the status of Parcel O, Commissioner Williams moved to approve the recommendation to revise the Parcel O at Little Gate to allow single family housing on three lots located at the corner of Jetton Street and Davidson Gateway. The motion carried unanimously.

Town Manager Leamon Brice reviewed the Ada Jenkins lease renewal. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Wessner moved to renew the nine and a half year lease with Ada Jenkins and pay \$15,000 to Ada Jenkins for FY 2010 and to authorize Town Attorney Rick Kline to re-write the Lease Agreement to satisfy the new terms for the annual payment from the Town to Ada Jenkins. The Town will also transfer all of the utilities over to Ada Jenkins and revisit the utility expenditures each year to assess the appropriate amount of funding to allocate to Ada Jenkins. The motion passed unanimously.

Town Manager Leamon Brice led the discussion about a possible Davidson/Cornelius Day Care loan pool or credit line. It was decided that the Commissioners will need to discuss all non-profit contributions the Town makes annually and come up with a system to determine reasoning behind annual giving to various local non-profit organizations.

By consensus it was agreed to hold a special Work Session on March 30th to discuss what non-profit organizations the Town contributes to annually. The Board of Commissioners will attend a Mini-Retreat on Wednesday, March 17th, to discuss FY 2011 Budget and a regular Work Session will be held on Tuesday, March 23rd.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Williams the Board moved to Closed Session to discuss a legal matter. Upon return from Closed Session Mayor Woods announced a legal matter was discussed and no action was taken.

There was no additional business and upon a motion by Commissioner Dreffer and unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Town Clerk