

**CITY OF GRAHAM
REGULAR SESSION
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2017
7:00 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of Graham met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 5, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building located at 201 South Main Street.

Council Members Present:

Mayor Jerry Peterman
Mayor Pro Tem Jimmy Linens
Council Member Griffin McClure
Council Member Chip Turner
Council Member Lee Kimrey
Council Member Melody Wiggins

Also Present:

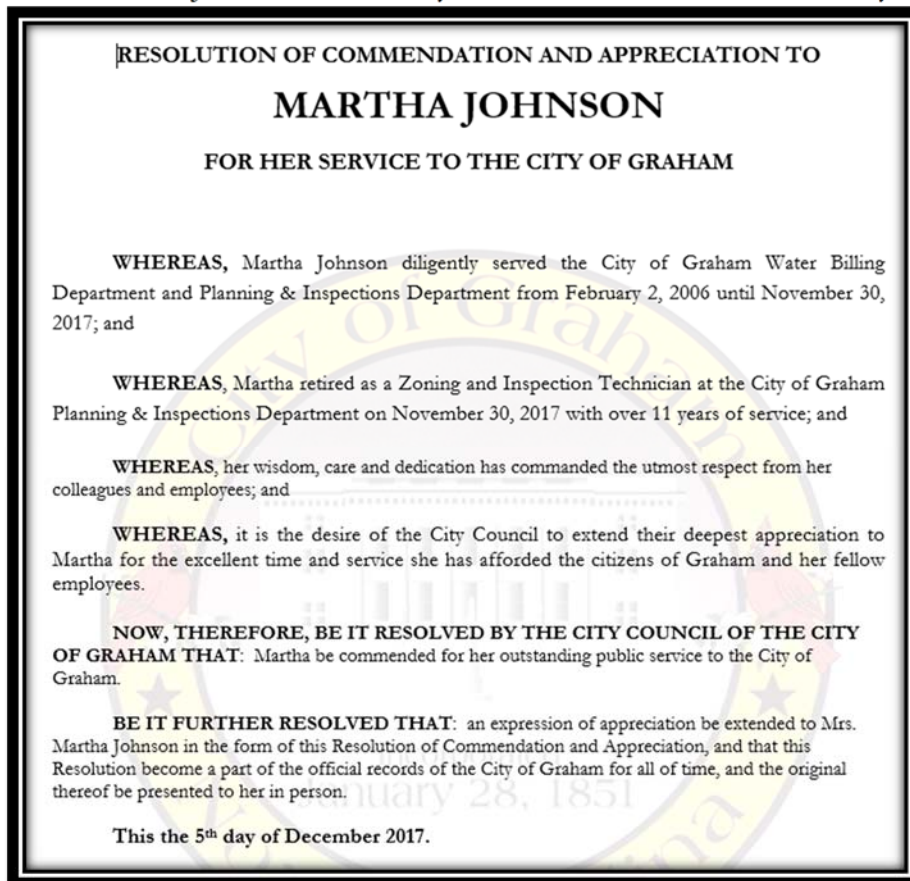
Frankie Maness, City Manager
Aaron Holland, Assistant City Manager
Darcy Sperry, City Clerk
Keith Whited, City Attorney
Nathan Page, Planning Director
Brian Faucette, Recreation & Parks Director
John Andrews, Fire Chief

Mayor Jerry Peterman called the meeting to order and presided at 7:00 p.m. Reverend Darryl Peebles gave the invocation and everyone stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Honorary Resolution:

➤ ***Resolution of Commendation and Appreciation – Martha Johnson***

Mayor Peterman and City Manager Frankie Maness presented Zoning and Inspection Technician Martha Johnson with a Resolution of Commendation and Appreciation and a gift from the City. Both gentlemen thanked Mrs. Johnson for her 11 years 9 months of service to the City.




Old Business:

a. Approval of Minutes – November 7, 2017 Regular Session

Council Member Chip Turner made a motion to approve item “a” of the Old Business, seconded by Council Member Griffin McClure. All voted in favor of the motion.

Acceptance of Certificate the Abstract of Canvassing from the Alamance County Board of Elections

Council Member McClure made the motion to accept the Acceptance of Certificate the Abstract of Canvassing from the Alamance County Board of Elections, seconded by Council Member Lee Kimrey. All voted in favor of the motion.



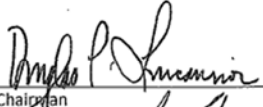
**2017 MUNICIPAL ELECTION
11/07/2017
ABSTRACT OF VOTES
FOR
ALAMANCE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

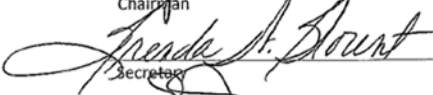
INSTRUCTIONS
The county board shall prepare abstracts of all the ballot items in triplicate originals. The county board shall retain one of the triplicate originals, and shall distribute one each to the city or town clerk for the municipality and the State Board of Elections. The State Board of Elections shall forward the original abstract it receives to the Secretary of State. (GS § 163-182.6)

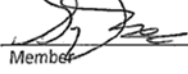
**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF ALAMANCE**

The County Board of Elections for said county, having opened, canvassed, and judicially determined the original returns of the election in the precincts in this county, held as above stated, do hereby certify that the above is a true abstract thereof, and contains the number of legal ballots cast in each precinct for each office or referendum named, the name of each person or choice voted for, their party affiliation (where applicable), and the number of votes cast for each person or choice for the item named.

This is the 17th day of November, 2017.



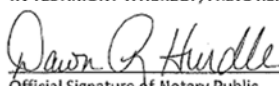
 Chairman


 Secretary


 Member

This day personally appeared before me, Douglas P. Finannon, Chairman of the County Board of Elections, who being duly sworn, says the abstract of votes herein contained is true and correct, according to the returns made to said Board.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal this the 17th day of November, 2017.




 Official Signature of Notary Public

Dawn R. Hurdle

 Printed/Typed Name of Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 4-8-2019


 (Seal)

November 07, 2017 Municipal Election Results by Contest		Friday, November 17, 2017 Page 1 of 2					
Contest	Choice	Party	Total Votes	Election Day	One Stop	Abs Mail	Provisional
VILLAGE OF ALAMANCE MAYOR	Don Tichy		35		0	0	0
VILLAGE OF ALAMANCE ALDERMAN	Gayle Andrews		31	31	0	0	0
	Mike Baldwin		27	27	0	0	0
	Naydine Sharpe		32	32	0	0	0
CITY OF BURLINGTON MAYOR	Ian Baltulis		2,739	2,365	337	32	5
	Celo Faucette		2,192	1,944	229	11	9
CITY OF BURLINGTON COUNCIL	Jim Butler		2,193	1,954	218	14	7
	Patrick Mills		1,860	1,613	220	26	1
	Harold Owen		2,874	2,534	312	18	10
	John Thorpe		1,981	1,704	247	23	7
TOWN OF ELON MAYOR	Jerry Tolley		525	494	19	9	3
TOWN OF ELON ALDERMAN	Jim Chanas		230	215	11	4	0
	Davis Montgomery		364	343	14	6	1
	Emily Sharpe		488	460	20	5	3
TOWN OF GIBSONVILLE ALDERMAN	Jennifer Dean		45	45	0	0	0
	Shannon O'Toole		136	118	18	0	0
	Ken Pleasants		99	92	7	0	0
	Veronica Leath Revvits		74	68	6	0	0
	Paul Thompson		72	62	10	0	0
CITY OF GRAHAM MAYOR	Jerry Peterman		729	468	257	3	1
	Jim Young		165	128	37	0	0
CITY OF GRAHAM COUNCIL	Larry E. Brooks		444	292	150	2	0
	Steven W. Sumner		243	168	73	2	0
	Chip Turner		494	324	166	3	1
	Melody L. Wiggins		474	325	147	1	1
TOWN OF GREEN LEVEL COUNCIL	Carissa A. Graves-Henry		108	106	2	0	0
	Michael Trollinger (Write-In)		92	91	1	0	0
	Tyra Francis (Write-In)		25	23	2	0	0
	William Lance Hain		20	17	3	0	0
	Elgin Williams		41	36	5	0	0
TOWN OF HAW RIVER COUNCIL	Ashley Warren (Write-In)		9	9	0	0	0
	Kelly Allen		80	78	2	0	0
	Barbara Boggs (Write-In)		2	2	0	0	0
	Jeff Fogleman		56	53	3	0	0

Organizational Meeting of Council:

- a. *City Clerk Darcy Sperry administered the Oath of Office to Re-Elected Mayor Peterman.*
- b. *Ms. Sperry administered the Oath of Office to Re-Elected City Council Member Turner.*
- c. *Ms. Sperry administered the Oath of Office to Newly Elected City Council Member Melody Wiggins.*

Mayor Pro Tem Jimmy Linens stepped down at 7:12 p.m. and Council Member Wiggins took her seat on the bench.

Mayor Peterman presented exiting Mayor Pro Tem Linens with a key to the City as well as a framed picture with commemorative plaque indicating the years he has served the City of Graham as Mayor Pro Tem on the City Council. Former Mayor Pro Tem Linens stated that his time on the Council has been an honor and educational. He thanked the citizens of Graham for allowing him to serve.

- d. *Mayor Peterman nominated Council Member Kimrey as Mayor Pro Tem, seconded by Council Member Turner. All voted in favor of the nomination.*
- e. *The Council discussed the regular meeting schedule and with no changes made, Mayor Pro Tem Kimrey made the motion to keep the regular session meeting at 7:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month, seconded by Council Member Turner. All voted in favor of the motion.*
- f. *By consensus, Council Members agreed to discuss Council Member appointments to Boards and Commissions at the January 2, 2018 City Council meeting.*

Consent Agenda:

a. Tax Releases

CITY OF GRAHAM RELEASE ACCOUNTS				
DECEMBER COUNCIL MEETING				
<u>ACCT #</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>REASON FOR RELEASE</u>	<u>AMOUNT RELEASED</u>
505485	2011-2015	BASTYS, RYAN LEE	BOAT NOT LOCATED IN THE CITY OF GRAHAM	103.25
524049	2017	MOORE, RICKY MCCLELLAN	VEHICLE NOW TAGGED	20.48
644599	2017	MARTIN, EMMETT WESLEY	DID NOT OWN JAN 2017	5.01
656053	2017	PUMPKIN HILL MILL LLC	HISTORIC EXEMPTION APPLIED	8,088.70

- b. Approval of the Graham Historic Museum Advisory Board Enabling Ordinance*
- c. Award contract for Whitsett Street and Staley Street Water and Sewer Improvements to Thomas Stanley Grading & Hauling Inc. and authorize the Mayor, City Manager, City Attorney and City Clerk to execute the contract on behalf of the City, subject to easement acquisitions and permit approvals*
- d. Appoint Anne Maynard to the Graham Sports Hall of Fame Committee with term to expire June 30, 2023*

Mayor Peterman asked Council Members if they would like to pull any of the items from the Consent Agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Kimrey asked to pull item “b” and “c”.

Mayor Pro Tem Kimrey made a motion to approve items “a” and “d” on the Consent Agenda, seconded by Council Member Wiggins. All voted in favor of the motion.

Mayor Peterman advised that the Historical Museum Board of Directors has not voted on the proposed final version of the enabling ordinance. Council Member McClure made a motion to send item “b” of the Consent Agenda back to the Board of Directors for approval, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kimrey. All voted in favor of the motion.

Following a brief discussion between Council Members, Staff and Mr. Kyle Smith of Alley, Williams, Carmen & King, Council Member Wiggins made a motion to approve item “c” on the consent agenda, seconded by Council Member Turner. All voted in favor of the motion.

Requests and Petitions from Citizens:

a. Temporary Encroachment request by Jason Cox

Assistant Manager Aaron Holland explained that Mr. Jason Cox of Carolina Property Holdings is requesting permission from the City of Graham to allow him to extend his temporary encroachment for outdoor dining to the area directly abutting Sesquicentennial Park. He added that Section 18-194 of the Code of Ordinances allows for a business to extend a temporary encroachment if permission is granted by the adjacent landowner. In this case, the City of Graham is the fee simple owner of Sesquicentennial Park and would have to grant permission to extend the encroachment for outdoor dining.

Mr. Cox of 200 North Main Street Graham stepped forward to address Council. Mr. Cox stated that as the fee simple owner of the property requesting permission, this request tonight is not requesting an encroachment, but rather permission to apply for an encroachment thru the City's established encroachment permit process. Following a brief discussion about encroachment widths and movable barriers, Council Member Wiggins made a motion to approve the request by Jason Cox with Carolina Property Holdings and to provide written consent to utilize the sidewalk area adjacent to Sesquicentennial Park for the use of outdoor dining. Mayor Pro Tem Kimrey seconded the motion and all voted in favor of the motion.

Volunteer Firemen Call Compensation:

City Manager Frankie Maness stated that the City has long contributed \$10 per call for each volunteer firefighter that attends a call. Of the \$10, \$9 is paid to the firefighter and \$1 is paid to the Fireman's Relief Fund. Mr. Maness advised that the request before Council is for the City to pay that \$1 to the Fireman's Relief Fund rather than the firemen themselves. If approved, the firefighter would get the full \$10 per call. Mr. Maness estimated that this would cost the City approximately \$3,000 annually.

Mayor Peterman asked to be recused due to him being a volunteer fireman with the City and would have a financial interest in this request. Mayor Pro Tem Kimrey made a motion to recuse Mayor Peterman, seconded by Council Member Turner. All voted in favor of the motion.

Council Members recognized the wonderful service our volunteer firefighters provide and recognized the time and dedication they provide to the citizens of Graham. Mayor Pro Tem Kimrey asked Fire Chief John Andrews about whether or not the City has seen an increase in volunteerism since extending the residency boundary for volunteers. Mr. Andrews stated that we currently have 33 firefighters on our roster, including full time, part time and volunteers. We can have up to 36 per State code.

Council Member Turner made a motion to provide \$1 in funding per call for volunteer firefighters to be paid into the Fireman's Relief Fund, seconded by Council Member McClure. All voted in favor of the motion. Mayor Peterman rejoined the Council.

Issues Not Included on Tonight's Agenda:

City Attorney Keith Whited thanked former Mayor Pro Tem Linens for his service.

Mr. Andrews thanked former Mayor Pro Tem Linens for the support he has shown the Fire Department.

Council Member McClure thanked former Mayor Pro Tem Linens for the class he's brought to this Council. He also recognized the City for recently being given a healthy workplace award.

Council Member Turner thanked former Mayor Pro Tem Linens as well as his wife, Millicent, for her support over the past 12 years. Additionally, he welcomed Council Member Wiggins, thanked Mayor Pro Tem Kimrey for his work in the removal of the Southern Loop and thanked everyone for the care shown to him during his Mother's recent illness.

Mayor Pro Tem Kimrey thanked former Mayor Pro Tem Linens for his honesty while serving the City.

Mr. Maness thanked former Mayor Pro Tem Linens for his service. He also reminded Council of the breakfast at Alamance Community College on December 8, 2017.

Mayor Peterman thanked everyone for the successful Veteran's Day and Christmas Parades.

At 7:44 p.m. Council Member Turner made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kimrey. All voted in favor of the motion.

Darcy Sperry, City Clerk