

The regular meeting of the Amherst Town Council was held on January 9, 2008 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Town Hall with Mayor Jacob P. Bailey presiding. Council members present were: Bobby J. Bondurant; Haney Mottley; Harold Swisher; and C. Manly Rucker, III. Town Manager Jack Hobbs, Police Chief Kenneth Watts, Director of Public Utilities Tom Fore and Office Manager Colan Davis were also present. Council Member Jason Campbell was absent.

Deacon Willie Diggs from Mount Olive Baptist Church gave an invocation.

Mr. Rucker made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Bondurant to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed 4-0. Messrs. Bondurant, Mottley, Swisher and Rucker voted "Aye". Mr. Campbell was absent.

Mr. Swisher made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Bondurant to approve the December 12, 2007 minutes as distributed earlier. The motion passed 4-0. Messrs. Bondurant, Mottley, Swisher and Rucker voted "Aye". Mr. Campbell was absent.

The Council discussed refinancing the Town's long-term debt as a way to save money. It was noted that this is made possible by declining interest rates.

The Town Manager led a discussion on major current Town engineering and public works projects.

Mr. Mottley made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Swisher to authorize the Town Manager to execute a contract with the Town Engineer for the design work needed for the water plant chemical feed improvements. The motion passed 4-0. Messrs. Bondurant, Mottley, Swisher and Rucker voted "Aye". Mr. Campbell was absent.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:39 P.M.

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Jacob P. Bailey  
Mayor

Attest:

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Clerk of Council