

Mayor Jacob P. Bailey called the regular monthly meeting of the Amherst Town Council to order on November 9, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Town Hall at 186 S. Main Street. Council members Kenneth Bumgarner, J. Paul Kilgore and Richard Wydner were present. Councilors Mike Mozingo and Haney Mottley were absent. Town Manager Jack Hobbs, Police Chief Kelvin Brown, Office Manager Colan Davis, Director of Public Utilities Tom Fore and Town Attorney Tom Berry were present.

Dr. David Clay from Amherst Baptist Church gave an invocation.

Kimberly Fuqua (177 Loch Lane) came forward to report that a water leak in her house that resulted in a higher than normal utility bill has been repaired and that she desires more favorable "payment arrangements" than those normally offered by the Town. By consensus, the Town Council denied her request for waiver of late payment penalties.

Mr. Wydner made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Bumgarner and approved 3-0 to approve the minutes from the October 12, 2011 meeting. Messrs. Bumgarner, Kilgore, and Wydner voted "Aye"; Messrs. Mozingo and Mottley were absent.

After a discussion on the FY11 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (audit) received by the Town Council in October, Mr. Bumgarner made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Wydner and approved 3-0 to accept the document. Messrs. Bumgarner, Kilgore, and Wydner voted "Aye"; Messrs. Mozingo and Mottley were absent.

Mr. Bumgarner gave a report on the Finance Committee's work on the cable television franchise renewal issue.

The Council reviewed a report from Mr. Mozingo on the status of the Community Relations Committee's work to develop a lawn care ordinance. After concerns regarding whether such an ordinance is needed were expressed, the Town Manager was asked to relay the Council's discussion to Mr. Mozingo.

By consensus, Town Council forwarded a written complaint regarding a building at 201 Washington Street to the Property Maintenance Investigation Board for a report on the condition of the building per Sec. 4-2 of the Town Code.

The Town Manager gave status reports on the N. Main Street sewer and S. Main Street sidewalk projects.

The Town Manager gave a presentation on the Town's capital improvement program.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Jacob P. Bailey
Mayor

Attest:

Clerk of Council