

The  
*Village*  
of *Walnut Creek*

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The Village of Walnut Creek Council met in Regular Session, July 25, 2018, 7:30pm, at 103 Village Drive.

**PRESENT:**

Mayor Danny Jackson  
Councilman John Seegars  
Councilman Pete Benton  
Councilwoman Cyndi Dupuy

Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Ricker  
Admin/Chief Robert Parchman  
Attorney Phil Baddour  
Clerk – Peggy Page

Also, in attendance:

Spencer Watson - Suddenlink  
Richard Yarbrough  
Anthony Riley  
Larry Van Kuren  
Stoney Sloan  
Michael Vine  
Darren Howery  
Carol Ray  
Mike Daly

Mayor Jackson called the meeting to order and Councilman Pete Benton led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Jackson provided the opening prayer.

**Consent Agenda:**

The minutes for June 2018 were presented. Mayor Pro Tem Ricker discussed the financials, reviewing specifically our FEMA position with regard to a carry forward liability. Going forward in the incoming budget year 2018-2019, the Village is carrying an unpaid liability on the books due to work completed on the spillway but the payments for what's been completed along with what is outstanding will be settled in the next budget year (reimbursement from FEMA). Councilman Benton moved the minutes and financials be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

**Suddenlink Representative – Spencer Watson**

Spencer Watson, Regional Director for Suddenlink was present at the meeting to address some of the issues within Village and to let the Village know Suddenlink has been acquired by **Altice USA** and the company is in a transition period. Mr. Watson is based in the Greenville office and his position with the company is not on the technical side. However, Mr. Watson did try to address the concerns of the residents present at the meeting and took

notes for future meetings with the company. Mr. Watson did share with the residents some of the changes to the company's products and structure.

**Public Comment Period:**

Mr. Vine spoke and said he felt the council and office were doing good job.

**Administrator/Chief of Police Report:**

Administrator/Chief Parchman gave an update on the Country Club Lift Station project. Mr. Ritt with the Walnut Creek Country Club has been emailed concerning the property that needs to be acquired for the Lift Station Project. The consensus was to keep the current Lift Station running while the new station was being constructed. An estimate for the replacement of the lift was distributed to the council for their review.

Rules for the debris site are still being abused. Mayor Jackson addressed the ongoing problems with the site. Mayor Jackson wants the site monitored by the Police Department on Wednesday from 1PM to 5PM and on Saturday from 8AM to 5PM when the Police are not on patrol. Mayor Jackson wants to go back to the original rules and operating hours and publicize.

Administrator/Chief Parchman brought up the issues at the Main Pump Station. The backflow check-valve has failed. For the past two to three months the readings have been high, due to the valve malfunctioning. The meter to Goldsboro does not seem to be working like it should and Mayor Jackson does not feel we should pay to have that fixed. Additionally, the meter Goldsboro has (on their end) is not functional so we do not have valid readings. The Village needs to push for Goldsboro to fix their meter and to address the tower that is not talking back and forth like it should to share system information. Darren Howery, Maintenance Supervisor, is currently supplying the reading (from the Village meter) to the City of Goldsboro. Mayor Jackson feels we need redundancy to make sure we are not being over charged.

Administrator/Chief Parchman presented the Police Report, reviewing the stats for the month. The report is available in the office for review.

Administrator/Chief Parchman the church on Millers Chapel Road would like to tie-in to our force main that delivers sewage to Goldsboro as they have no sewer available. The Council is not interested in additional connections to the force main at this time, per Mayor Jackson.

**Clerk's Report:**

Clerk Page reported water bills were mailed on 6-29-18. Payments have been coming in and hopefully there will not be any cutoffs this cycle.

The Audit for 2017-2018 year is proceeding with Jimmy Overton working on site as needed. Clerk Page also presented to the council revised interest earning documents for the three interest bearing checking accounts. The new rates should produce some additional income for the Village.

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Mayor Pro-Tem Ricker- Water & Sewer, Lake Committee, and Audit:**

Mayor Pro-Tem Ricker stated his items were previously covered.

#### **Councilwoman Dupuy- Village Owned Property and Village Relation:**

Councilwoman Dupuy presented the two sections of the Village road that need to be addressed as soon as possible, the front entrance and Mill Road Dam area. The bidding process is underway. The Village Relations Committee has no new news.

#### **Councilman Benton-Cable TV, Trash & Recycling and Planning Board:**

Councilman Benton thanked Spencer Watson for attending the meeting and looked forward to working with him to help solve some of the issues with Suddenlink service within the Village.

#### **Councilman Seegars-Lake Committee, Insurance and Audit Committee**

Councilman Seegars advised the Lake Committee met in July and addressed the lake rules. Councilman Seegars presented a copy of the Current Lake Rules along with a copy of Revised Ordinance Chapter 42: Village Lakes 42.22 Fishing. After discussions by the council Attorney Baddour is going to work on the wording of the revision. A copy of proposed changes for Rules for Walnut Creek Lakes was presented for review and discussed.

Structures in the Lake were addressed. Attorney Baddour stated the ordinance does not specifically address what is considered a structure; clarification from the planning department is needed. A specific resident's structure for pumping water from the lake for irrigation was mentioned. Administrator/Chief Parchman and Darren Howery have discussed the mentioned structure and felt it is a hazard. Attorney Baddour felt said item would be considered a structure. Mayor Jackson felt there should be a method to pump water out of the Lake without a "structure" being raised. Mayor Jackson is to assist Administrator/Chief Parchman with a solution on defining a structure for pumping water from the lakes.

A no-wake map was discussed along with markings for buoys.

#### **Old Business:**

None

#### **New Business:**

Attorney Baddour presented Ordinance Amending Chapter 43 Village Park – Village of Walnut Creek along with an Exhibit with Park Location. Mayor Pro-Tem made a motion to accept said Ordinance. The motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance Enacting and Adopting a Supplement to the Code of Ordinance for the Village of Walnut Creek, NC was also presented by Attorney Baddour. Councilman Seegars made a motion to accept this motion. The motion passed unanimously.

A discussion regarding houses in disrepair followed. Administrator/Chief Parchman called the Wayne County Inspector and is waiting to hear back. Attorney Baddour is going to assist Administrator/Chief Parchman in searching the rules that are on the books for how Village ordinances governs. The council has asked the Administrator/Chief to enforce existing ordinances. It was decided a letter to the property owner with a deadline should be sent. If no response the matter would be turned over to the County Building Inspector.

Clerk Page asked what the normal procedure is for NSF checks. Once a NSF is presented to the Village a cash or certified check is required with a \$35 NSF check charge was advised. Attorney Baddour is going to check on this.

**Announcements & Correspondence:**

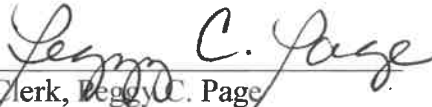
None

**Closed Session:**

No

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business before the council, Councilman Benton made a motion the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously.

  
Clerk, Leggett C. Page

  
Mayor Danny Jackson