

Regular Council - Minutes Monday, October 1, 2018

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Mulhollem Mayor Pro Tem Castleberry Council Member Bruton Council Member Jackson Council Member Locklear

STAFF PRESENT:

C.L. Gobble, Administrative Consultant Chip Hewett, Town Attorney Kim P. Batten, Finance Officer/Town Clerk Bob Clark, Planning/Zoning Administrator

COUNCIL ABSENT:

Council Member Wilson

GUEST PRESENT:

Jeff Jennings, Volunteer
Dr. David Johnson, President, Johnston Community
College
Dolores Gill, Superintendent's Chief of Staff, Johnston
County Public Schools

1. WELCOME/CALL TO ORDER:

a) Invocation

Mayor Mulhollem called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Jeffrey D. Barnes Council Chambers located at 14094 Buffalo Road, Clayton, NC and declared a quorum present. Council Member Jackson offered the invocation.

b) Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Mulhollem led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the US Flag.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

a) No additions or changes noted.

Moved by: Council Member Jackson Seconded by: Council Member Locklear

Agenda Approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC COMMENTS:

(Maximum of 30 minutes allowed, 3 minutes per person)

a) No Public Comments

4. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

a) Approval of Minutes:25 June 2018 Special Meeting Minutes25 June 2018 Closed Session Minutes

09 July 2018 Regular Council Meeting Minutes 06 Aug 2018 Regular Council Meeting Minutes 20 Aug 2018 Work Session Minutes 04 Sept 2018 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Moved by: Council Member Jackson Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Castleberry

Approved Consent Agenda.

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5. PRESENTATION:

Citizens for Better Schools Committee Presentation

- ~ Mr. Jeff Jennings, Volunteer
- ~ Ms. Dolores Gill, Superintendent's Chief of Staff, Johnson County Public School
- ~ Dr. David Johnson, President, Johnston Community College
- a) Mr. Jeff Jennings, Volunteer for Citizens for Better Schools Committee, began the presentation to share his support of the Bond Referendum for Johnston County Board of Education and Johnston Community College.

He, along with Ms. Dolores Gill and Dr. David Johnson, shared a PowerPoint presentation detailing the School Facilities Bond issue in the amount of \$76 million that will be on the ballot at the November 6, 2018 General Election. Slides relating to facilities in the Archer Lodge/Clayton area as well as slides for Johnston Community College (JCC) for a higher level of learning appear below:



Bond Information Session September, 2018

Johnston County Public Schools

Johnston County Public Schools: Overview



- 45 Schools
- 37,028 students, up 771 at Day 10.
- 7th Largest District in NC
- 3rd Fastest Growing County
- Largest Employer in Johnston County
- County population increased 13.3% compared to 6.4% in NC
- Increased 1200 students(2017-2018)
- Sustained average growth of 700 to 800 over multiple years.
- Successful Bonds 1997, 1999, 2001, 2005, 2007, 2013

Managing Growth: A Process



- Collaboration with NC State ORED Laboratory
- 2. Land Use Study for growth projections
- 3. Membership Forecasting
- 4. Optimization Charting
- 5. Comprehensive Facility Assessment
- 6. Prioritizing needs for growth and renovation of facilities.
- 7. Collaboration with Commissioners and Board of Education

Facility Needs Assessment



- 2016 comprehensive study conducted on all campuses
- Provided costs and priorities for major maintenance
- Utilized with focus on HVAC, Roof Replacements, Renovations.
- Consideration of Athletic Needs
- Safety and Security Recommendations

Johnston County Growth Overview



- > 2+ Elementary schools by 2027-2028
 - o Archer Lodge Area
 - Western Area
- > 1+ Middle School by 2027-2028
 - o East Clayton/Clayton Area
- ➤ 1+ High School by 2027-2028
 - o -East Clayton Area
- Implementation of HB90 restrictions on K-3 class sizes will have significant impact on elementary capacity

Growth Recommendations



Tier I Priorities:

- -Build out Corinth High to 1600 capacity
- -Build out to Archer Lodge to 1186
- -Archer Lodge Area Elementary

Note: Current forecast strongly suggests the need for two schools, with the greater need in the Archer Lodge Area. Recommend land banking future school sites.

Growth Recommendations



Tier I/II Priorities:

- -High School in East Clayton area
- -Elementary School in West Clayton area
- -Middle School in East Clayton area
- -Build out Cleveland High to 1600 capacity
- -Build out Four Oaks MS and move 5th Grade from Four Oaks E

Corinth Area



- > 2018 Bond Referendum Needs
 - Security vestibules at Corinth-Holder High and Elementary, Archer Lodge Middle, Riverwood Middle and Elementary
 - New Elementary school in the Archer Lodge area
 - o 24 classroom addition at Corinth-Holder High
 - o 12 classroom addition at Archer Lodge Middle
- > Completed 2013 Bond Referendum Projects
 - o 12 classroom addition at River Dell Elementary

2018 State of the College





Who We Are

- Founded in 1969
- Locations in Smithfield, Clayton, Cleveland, and Four Oaks
- Approximately 13,000 students
- 22: Average Student Age
- 18: Average Student Class Size





Who We Are

Top 5 Enrolled Programs

- Associate in Science
- Associate in Arts
- Associate in General Education
- Business Administration
- Associate Degree Nursing





Who We Are

Top 5 Institutions Where JCC Students Earned Bachelor's Degree or Higher

- East Carolina University
- North Carolina State University
- University of North Carolina at Wilmington
- University of Mount Olive
- University of North Carolina at Greensboro





Dual Admissions











Bond 2018



- \$76 Million
 - \$61 million for Johnston County Public Schools
 - o \$15 Million for Johnston Community College
- Vote Yes twice on November 6th Ballot
- Combines construction for growth and facility renovations across entire school district
- Addresses data sources to determine priorities.

Following the presentation, the presenters responded to questions from Mayor/Council. Further information was shared that Johnston County Public Schools would receive \$61 million and JCC would receive the remainder \$15 million. Mayor/Council were provided a Resolution to Endorse the \$76 Million Bond Referenda and Mayor read aloud. Discussion followed.

The Approved Resolution# AL2018-10-01 Supporting the Bond Referenda for Johnston County Board of Education and Johnston Community College appears as follows:



Support of Bond Referenda Johnston County Board of Education Johnston Community College November 6, 2018

RESOLUTION# AL2018-10-01



WHEREAS, the Town of Archer Lodge is dedicated to maintaining a strong and supportive working relationship with Johnston County Public Schools to provide superior academic instruction and outstanding educational opportunities to its youth; and

WHEREAS, the Town of <u>Archer Lodge</u> is also dedicated to maintaining a strong, viable community college program so that graduates of Johnston County Public Schools can continue their educational careers and adults from all walks of life can engage in continuing education; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Archer Lodge is committed to attaining and preserving the highest quality of life for its citizenry through its partnership with the local Board of Education and Johnston Community College; and

WHEREAS, the school population of Johnston County continues to grow at an accelerated rate requiring additional school facilities; and

WHEREAS, the people of <u>Archer Lodge</u> and all of Johnston County have been dedicated to the cause of new construction for schools to accommodate this growth; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Archer Lodge desires to assist the Board of Education in meeting its facility needs for the benefit of our youth, our citizens and our community; and

WHEREAS, the Town of <u>Archer Lodge_</u> recognizes that a commitment to quality education results in an elite work-force which attracts commerce and spurs economic development at the benefit of the town's people;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of <u>Archer Lodge</u> supports the Johnston County Board of Education and Johnston Community College and goes on record in support of the school facilities bond issue in the amount of \$76 million.

ADDITIONALLY, the Town of <u>Archer Lodge</u> urges all citizens to vote for both the public school bond and the

This resolution was duly considered and approved by the Town of <u>Archer Lodge</u> at its meeting on <u>Oct. 1, 2018</u>.

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Council Member Mark B. Wilson

ATTEST: Kim P. Batten, Town Clerk

Moved by: Council Member Jackson Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Castleberry

Approved Resolution# AL2018-10-01 Supporting the Bond Referenda for Johnston County Board of Education and Johnston Community College.

NOTE: Council Member Wilson was not present at the meeting, but later endorsed the Resolution.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. <u>DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS:</u>

a) Discussion and Consideration of Fall Planning Session & Work Session

Mayor Mulhollem opened the discussion for a Fall Planning Session with the Town Council having a site visit of the recently purchased Park Land. Discussion followed. All agreed that if some plans were provided by Susan Hatchell prior to the Monday, October 15th Work Session, then plan to begin meeting at 5:30 p.m. for site visit of recently purchased Park Land. If Susan Hatchell is unable to provide plans, then Work Session will be at regular scheduled time 6:30 p.m.

Moved by: Council Member Locklear Seconded by: Council Member Jackson

Approved the October 15, 2018 Work Session to begin at 5:30 p.m. if plans/ideas are received by Susan Hatchell.

b) Discussion and Consideration of Budget Amendment (BA 2019 02)

Ms. Batten offered an explanation of Budget Amendment (BA 2019 02) based on conversation with Auditor regarding the vehicle lease versus vehicle loan.

The Approved Budget Amendment (BA 2019 02) appears as follows:

	BA 2019 02			
Town of Archer Lodge				
Budget Amendment				
Fiscal Year Ending	06/30/19			
Budget Amendment				BA 2019 02
Date				01-Oct-18
	General Fund			
Account	Account Number	Budget	Amendment	Amended Budget
Revenues:				
Total Increase (Decrease) in Revenues			-	
Expenditures:				
Admin:Vehicle Lease (new account)	10-4120-4300	-	5,100.00	5,100.00
Debt Service: Lease Payments-Vehicle	10-9110-1100	4,500.00	(4,500.00)	•
Debt Service: Interest Payments-Vehicle	10-9110-2100	600.00	(600.00)	-
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Moved by: Mayor Pro Tem Castleberry Seconded by: Council Member Jackson

Approved Budget Amendment (BA 2019 02).

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7. TOWN ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

a) Attorney Hewett suggested the Zoning for Park Land be reviewed and Bob stated that he would review it. No further comments.

8. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE CONSULTANT'S REPORT:</u>

a) C.L. Gobble reported the following:

- The site for the Veteran's Memorial is ready.
- Town Hall Expansion Project is on schedule.
- Staging of materials and delivery are being coordinated.
- Amended the contract with G & G Builder, Inc. to install better drainage from Town Hall property.
- Recommended that Town Council consider flood insurance in the budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, due to property drainage issue.
- ALVMC waiting for NCDOT to install sidewalk along Buffalo Road before installing a sidewalk to ALVM.

9. FINANCIAL/TOWN CLERK'S REPORT:

a) August 31, 2018 Financials & Year-to-Date Comparison (FY18 & FY19)

Ms. Batten shared the financial summary for all funds ending August 31, 2018. She reiterated that revenues are slowly being received but the fiscal year is only 17% completed. As the end of the calendar year approaches, she stated that revenues will begin to increase steadily. Expenditures were higher than normal due to the Park Land acquisition. The Approved Capital Project Ordinance for the Town Hall Expansion/ALVM Project Fund 40 was presented and will soon have transactions as the project progresses.

Regarding the fiscal year comparison, Ms. Batten noted that revenues were almost double this August than August 2017, and expenditures were more this August than August 2017 due to acquiring land, purchasing banners earlier and distributing the increase in the AL fire district tax. No further discussion.

b) Audit Update for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018

Ms. Batten noted that the audit is ongoing and must be completed by October 31, 2018. No further discussion.

c) State Grants Reimbursement Update

Ms. Batten shared that documentation had been submitted to Josh Davis with the NC Department of Natural and Cultural Resources to facilitate the distribution of the two \$50,000 grants awarded to the Town of Archer Lodge for Park Land Acquisition and Development. Mayor noted special thanks to Representative Donna White and Senator Rick Horner for their assistance with these State issued Grants.

d) Inter-Local Agreement Update with Town of Clayton

Ms. Batten mentioned that communication between representatives with the Town of Clayton and Town Attorney Chip Hewett along with staff was moving in a positive direction regarding "back up" police services as needed for the Animal Control Officer. She stated that hopefully at the Regular Council meeting in November, an Inter-Local Agreement will be discussed and considered for approval.

10. PLANNING/ZONING REPORT:

a) Bob Clark reported the following:

- Recently purchased land allows park development as a permitted use and does not require zoning changes.
- Advised that Johnston County Public Schools are looking for property in the Archer Lodge area for an Elementary School site.
- NCDOT has not returned a signed contract for the Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan.
- NCDOT will obtain temporary easements for Road Improvements along Buffalo Road fronting Town Hall. NCDOT will be responsible for the removal and replacement of fencing.

11. VETERAN'S COMMITTEE REPORT:

a) Mike Mulhollem reported the following:

- The memorial site nears completion, and the ALVMC appreciates Town Council's continued support.
- The bricks have been delivered, and the Fallen Soldier Statue and Veteran's Memorial Centerpiece will soon follow.
- Biscuit Sale will be held Friday, October 19th
- Estimated balance is \$37,000

12. MAYOR'S REPORT:

a) Mayor Mulhollem commented on the following:

- ALVMC has worked extremely hard raising funds for the Veteran's Memorial Site and it's an exciting time for the Veteran's Day ceremony planned for Sunday, November 11th at 11:00 a.m. (aka: 11/11@11)
- He expressed gratitude to C.L. Gobble and Bob Clark for helping G & G Builders, Inc. with the coordination of the Town Hall Expansion and Veteran's Memorial site Projects.
- He thanked staff for tolerating the distractions from the construction site.

13. COUNCIL MEMBERS' REMARKS:

(non-agenda items)

- a) Council Member Jackson reminded Mayor/Council that Saturday, September 29, 2018 marks the 100th Anniversary of Old Hickory Division's (National Guard Units) successfully breaking the Hindenburg Line, in the Battle of St. Quentin Canal during WWI. He added that Armistice Day is celebrated on November 11th.
- b) Council Member Locklear reflected on how Hurricane Florence devastated the Eastern NC Counties. He shared that families are in great need and encouraged everyone to support them with donations, if possible.
- c) Mayor Pro Tem Castleberry thanked the Town Council and Staff for their support, due to the recent loss of his vision. He added that he would be having surgery on his eyes on Monday, October 8, 2018, and please keep him in their prayers.
- d) Council Member Bruton reiterated Council Member Locklear's thoughts regarding families in need due to Hurricane Florence and in addition, was glad that Mayor Pro Tem Castleberry was able to

attend the meeting.

She questioned, if the Citizens of Archer Lodge would have a chance to offer input regarding ideas or plans for the Park Land and Mayor Mulhollem acknowledged with an affirmative reply. Mr. Clark added that the survey conducted for the Comprehensive Archer Lodge Parks and Recreation's Master Plan remains valid.

14. ADJOURNMENT:

a) No Further Business.

Moved by: Council Member Jackson Seconded by: Council Member Locklear **Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Matthew B. Mulhollem, Mayor

Kim P. Batten, Town Clerk

