

CITY OF EDEN, N. C.

The regular meeting of the City Council, City of Eden, was held on Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 308 E. Stadium Drive. Those present for the meeting were as follows:

Mayor:	Wayne Tuggle, Sr.
Council Members:	Donna Turner
	Jim Burnette
	Angela Hampton
	Jerry Epps
	Darryl Carter
	Neville Hall
	Jerry Ellis
City Manager:	Brad Corcoran
City Clerk:	Sheralene Thompson
City Attorney:	Erin Gilley
Representatives from Departments:	
News Media:	Katie Mann, Eden News

MEETING CONVENED:

Mayor Tuggle called the regular meeting of the Eden City Council to order and welcomed those in attendance. He explained that the Council meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. and works from a prepared agenda; however, time would be set aside for business not on the printed agenda.

INVOCATION:

Mr. Gary Wackler, Pastor, Draper Christian Church, gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

SET MEETING AGENDA:

Mayor Tuggle stated that he had been asked to add an item to the agenda by staff. The item was "Consideration Resell of DelPAC Coagulant to the Town of Madison" and it would be item 12g on the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Council Member Epps seconded by Council Member Turner to add Consideration Resell of DelPAC Coagulant to the Town of Madison to the Consent Agenda as item 12g and to set the meeting agenda. All Council Members voted in favor of this motion. This motion carried.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS:

There were no public hearings scheduled.

REQUESTS AND PETITIONS OF CITIZENS:

No one came forward to speak at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. Consideration of Board & Commission Appointments.

It's time again to make annual appointments for City Boards and Commissions. Below is a list of members whose terms expire in 2014. When making appointments, please consider whether these persons have the time or the ability (for whatever reason) to attend regular meetings and participate in the activities of the board or commission.

Ward 1

Tree Board: Bill Moody

Ward 2

Community Appearance Commission: Pam Adkins

Tree Board: Marty Wall

Ward 3

Historic Preservation Commission: Beth Pulliam

Ward 5

Tree Board: Max Kirks

Ward 7

Community Appearance Commission: Bonnie Fargis

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business was scheduled.

REPORTS FROM STAFF:

No reports were scheduled.

CONSENT AGENDA:

a. Appointment/Reappointment to ABC Board Chair.

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It is time to appoint or reappoint the position of Chairman to the ABC Board. This position is appointed annually and Mr. Tommy Flynt is currently the Chair. It is Mayor Tuggle's recommendation to reappoint Mr. Tommy Flynt to serve as ABC Chairman in 2015.

b. Appointment/Reappointment to ABC Board.

It is time to appoint or reappoint a position to the ABC Board. This position is appointed for a three-year term. It is Mayor Tuggle's recommendation to reappoint Ms. Lisa Duncan to serve another three year term.

c. Consideration and Approval of Purchase of Police K-9.

On October 30, 2014 our police K-9 Sam, a Belgian Malinois, suffered a heat stroke while conducting a training exercise with his handler. Sam was treated at Eden Vet Hospital and Wellness Care by Dr. Jerry Boothe, Jr.

On November 3, 2014, I received a letter from Dr. Boothe stating that Sam, who is 9 years old, has had numerous medical problems over the past several months. Dr. Boothe further stated his medical problems had resulted in limited mobility and constant pain. Dr. Boothe stated that based on his recent heat stroke and other medical issues, he was recommending that Sam retire from active police duty.

On December 5, 2014, I received permission by Mr. Brad Corcoran, City Manager, to retire Sam from active police duty and sell him to his handler for a sum of \$1.

I respectfully request to move forward with purchasing a new canine for use by the Eden Police Department. I would like to purchase a Labrador Retriever, by the name Sky, from Highland Canine Training located in Harmony, North Carolina. The cost of the canine and three week handler course is \$7,900. The handler course includes instruction, course materials, lodging, and certification. This price also includes in-service training and annual re-certification for as long as we own the dog.

This is not a 2014-2015 budgeted item and we would request to make this purchase from drug forfeiture funds.

d. Consideration and Approval of Upper Matrimony Creek Project – Bid Award.

Sealed bids were received and opened by the City of Eden on November 20, 2014 at 2 PM, for the Upper Matrimony Creek Sanitary Sewer Improvements. Three contractors were responsive and submitted sealed bids for the contract.

The Upper Matrimony Creek Sanitary Sewer Improvements base bid came in under the engineer's estimate of \$3,733,501.35. Prillaman & Pace, Inc., was the lowest responsible bidder for the base bid cost. Our engineering firm W. K. Dickson has recommended awarding the contract for this project to Prillaman & Pace. Prillaman & Pace is an experienced utility contractor and they previously completed a contract on one of our sewer improvement projects. Prillaman & Pace has worked with the City crews on numerous maintenance projects over the last two decades. The City has been very satisfied with the work completed by Prillaman & Pace in the past. The base bids received from each contractor are shown in the following table.

Contractors	Base Bid with Alternates	Engineer's Estimate	Different
Prillaman & Pace, Inc.	\$3,126,927.00	\$3,733,501.35	-\$606,574.35
Jimmy R. Lynch & Sons, Inc.	\$3,911,671.20	\$3,733,501.35	+\$178,169.85
Yates Construction Company	\$3,980,408.02	\$3,733,501.35	+\$246,906.67

The staff have requested several of the Alternates (No.3, No.4 and No.5) in the bid for our project and W.K. Dickson has recommended to proceed with the alternates at a cost of \$3,800,782.35. A request will be made

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to increase our loan to this amount. This amount is still lower than the base bids by the other two contractors. The staff recommends that the City Council accept the base bid plus alternates submitted by Prillaman & Pace for the Upper Matrimony Creek Sanitary Sewer Improvements. This recommendation is founded on their low base bid, their ability to do the work, their good working relationship with the City and our engineer's recommendation. There is an attached letter from W. K. Dickson recommending that the City accept the bid from Prillaman & Pace.

e. Consideration, Approval and Adoption of an Ordinance Reducing Speed on Ellett Avenue.

A traffic study request was received from Council Member Angela Hampton in reference to changing the speed limit on Ellett Avenue from Union Street to Green Street. The speed limit on Ellett Avenue from Union Street to Green Street is currently 35 MPH. Ellett Avenue from Union Street to Green Street is primarily a residential area approximately three blocks in length with five streets intersecting (see attached). Both ends of this street terminate in "T" intersections and for this reason the street cannot be used as a thru-street from one area of the city to another.

A survey in reference to the proposed speed limit change was sent to each of the property owners (20 in number) along Ellett Avenue from Union Street to Green Street. 35.00% (7 of 20) of property owners responded. 85.71% (6 of 7) of the respondents were in favor of reducing the speed limit to 25 MPH. Only 14.29% (1 of 7) of the respondents were in favor of keeping the current 35 MPH speed limit.

The Police Department's recommendation is that the speed limit for the entire length of Ellett Avenue from Union Street to Green Street be reduced to 25 MPH.

f. Consideration of Proposed Repeal of Bereavement Policy HR-4.

Eden City Code §10-7.24 provides for Bereavement Leave for employees. Currently, City Policy HR-4 also lists this provision as well. Having two places for the same provision causes confusion for employees especially when an amendment is made to one and not to the other.

For the sake of consistency, Staff recommended a repeal the City Policy HR-4 and allow the City Code to be the source for the authority on this subject.

g. Consideration Resell of DelPAC Coagulant to the Town of Madison

The Water Plant Superintendent with the Town of Madison, Kevin Yates, asked for help with purchasing DelPAC. If he has to get DelPAC delivered in the small totes that would be required for his water plant the price will run \$1,058.40 for 275 gallons of DelPAC. Our purchase price for the DelPAC is \$2.356 per gallon. So we could sell them a 275 gallon tote for \$647.94 which is our cost with no profit. If they provide their own tote and the method of transportation I would like to be able to help provide them with the needed chemicals. We both know how hard it is to make alum work in the cold weather.

Madison will probably only use about 500 gallons during the course of their treatment in the cold months this winter. The 500 gallons is a very small quantity, as we probably will use 6000 to 9000 gallons during the winter months. Because we buy the chemicals in tanker load quantities, we get a much better price and we can buy directly from the manufacturer. By Ms. Reid's calculations Madison could save roughly \$800 or more on the chemicals they would need for this winter by buying from us.

Ms. Reid is willing to work with Madison so they can achieve this savings. Madison would be responsible for transporting and handling of the chemicals once they leave our property. Our Attorney Ms. Gilley reviewed this proposal to be sure she has no issues of risk or liability associated with selling chemicals to Madison. Historically, we have sold surplus chemicals to Madison, and to other nearby municipalities when

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they ran out of materials or supplies at our cost. Therefore, this would not be a totally unprecedented transaction. The State Statues allows selling of materials between governmental agencies with approval by the selling governing board.

The City Manager recommended that City Council approve supplying DelPAC to Madison at our cost. Madison will be responsible for pickup of the DelPAC chemical at our water plant and the transport of the DelPac to their water plant.

A motion was made by unianmous consent to approve the Consent Agenda. This motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No announcements were given.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by unanimous consent to adjourn. This motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheralene S. Thompson,
CMC, MMC, NCCMC
City Clerk

ATTEST:

Wayne R. Tuggle, Sr., Mayor