### CITY OF EDEN, N. C.

The regular meeting of the City Council, City of Eden, was held on Tuesday, July 15, 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: (absent) Donna Turner

Jim Burnette Angela Hampton Jerry Epps

Darryl Epps
Darryl Carter
Neville Hall
Jerry Ellis
Brad Corcoran

City Manager: Brad Corcoran

City Clerk: Sheralene Thompson

City Attorney: Erin Gilley
Deputy City Clerk: Deanna Hunt

Representatives from Departments:

News Media: Roy Sawyers, RCENO

# 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:

Council Member Jerry Epps, Pastor, Church of the Living God, gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

### PROCLAMATIONS:

a. Proclamation: Bill Holcomb

Mayor Tuggle asked Mr. Bill Holcomb to come forward. He then read the following proclamation presenting Mr. Holcomb with a framed copy in recognition of his recent retirement and accomplishments.

#### R. William "Bill" Holcomb Proclamation

WHEREAS, Bill Holcomb has recently retired from Rockingham County Schools after 44 years of service; and:

**WHEREAS,** Bill graduated from Appalachian State University in 1970 (B. S. in Health & Physical Education), NC A & T State University (M.S. in Physical Education - 1977), NC A & T State University (M.S. in Administration – 1981), and Appalachian State University (Ed. S. – 1988); and

**WHEREAS,** Bill's 44 years of public education is as follows:

Teacher, Coach, Ruffin High School 1970 - 1971
Teacher, Coach, Reidsville Junior High School 1971 - 1978
Assistant Principal, Reidsville Junior High School 1978 - 1983
Principal, South End Elementary School - Reidsville 1983 - 1988
Director of Administrative Services, Reidsville City Schools 1988 - 1990
Assistant Superintendent, Reidsville City Schools 1990 - 1992
Superintendent, Reidsville City Schools 1992 - 1993
Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services, Rockingham County Schools 1993 - 1995
Associate Superintendent, Rockingham County Schools 1995 -2014

WHEREAS, Bill has received numerous honors and awards and recognized as follows:

1978 - Outstanding Young Educator Award - Reidsville Jaycees 1993 - Lion of the Year - Reidsville Lions Club Rockingham County Assoc. of Educational Office Personnel, Administrator of Year 2012 - Laity Award, Woodmont United Methodist Church 2014 - North Carolina Educational Facility Planners Planner of the Year

**WHEREAS,** Bill Holcomb's many years of community involvement includes volunteering and serving on numerous boards that include:

Reidsville Lions Club - Past President, Board of Directors Woodmont United Methodist Church - Administrative Board Trustees, Chair ; Staff/Parrish Committee, Past Chair Reidsville/Rockingham United Way Allocations Committee - Past Chair Rockingham County Mental Health Board - Past Member

**NOW, THEREFORE, I WAYNE R. TUGGLE, SR.,** by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Eden, do hereby deem it an honor and pleasure to extend this Certificate of Recognition to **Bill Holcomb** and to also extend my personal best wishes upon his retirement and for continued success in life's pursuits. May God continue to bless you.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I do hereby set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Eden to be affixed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July of the year of our Lord two thousand and fourteen.

Wayne R. Tuggle, Sr. Mayor

b. Proclamation: Jim Wilson.

Mayor Tuggle asked Mr. Jim Wilson to come forward. He then read the following proclamation presenting Mr. Wilson with a framed copy in recognition of his recent retirement and accomplishments.

#### Jim Wilson Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** Jim Wilson has recently retired from Rockingham County Schools where he worked part time as Director of Athletics, Director of Driver Education, Director of Student Assignments, and Director of Safety; and

**WHEREAS**, Jim is a graduate of Atlantic Christian College where he obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree and he received a Master's Degree from Appalachian State University; and

**WHEREAS**, from 1963 to 1965 Jim was a teacher and coach at John Graham High School in Warrenton, North Carolina. Jim came to Rockingham County Schools in 1965 and during those years he has made a lasting contribution to the community and served as a friend and role model; and

WHEREAS, Jim Wilson's many years of profession in Rockingham County include:

1965-1967	Draper Jr. High School, Eden, NC - Teacher/Coach
1967-1981	Holmes Jr. High School, Eden, NC -Teacher/Coach/Athletic Director.
	Assistant Principal
1981-1988	Morehead High School, Eden, NC – Principal
1988-1993	Eden City School, Eden, NC – Director of Secondary Education, Director
	of Vocation Education
1993-1999	Rockingham County Schools, Eden, NC - Director of Athletics, Director
	of Driver Education, Director of Student Management System, Director of
	Secondary Education and Director of Safety.
1999-2001	Reidsville High School, Reidsville, NC – Principals
2001	Retired from Rockingham County Schools
2001-2014	Returned to Rockingham County School as a part time employee working
	as Director of Athletics, Director of Driver Education, Director of Student
	Assignments and Director of Safety

WHEREAS, Jim has received numerous honors and awards and recognized as follows:

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pursuits. May God continue to bless you.

Outstanding Young Educator of the Year – Eden City Schools
Teacher of the Year – Eden City Schools
Charlie Adams Outstanding Service Award from the NC High School Athletic Association
Board of Directors North Carolina Athletic Directors Association
Earned the Certified Athletic Administrator designation from the National Interscholastic Athletic

**NOW, THEREFORE, I WAYNE R. TUGGLE, SR.,** by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Eden, do hereby deem it an honor and pleasure to extend this Certificate of Recognition to **Jim Wilson** and to also extend my personal best wishes upon his retirement and for continued success in life's

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I do hereby set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Eden to be affixed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July of the year of our Lord two thousand and fourteen.

c. Proclamation: Compassionate City

Mayor Tuggle read the following proclamation:

#### **Compassionate City Proclamation**

WHEREAS, the principal of compassion calls us to treat all others as we wish to be treated, and;

**WHEREAS**, compassion impels us to work tirelessly to alleviate the suffering of our fellow creatures, to dethrone ourselves from the center of our world, replacing it with a sincere concern for the well-being of others, and to honor the inviolable sanctity of every single human being, treating everybody, without exception, with absolute, justice, equality and respect, and;

**WHEREAS**, it is also necessary in both public and private life to refrain consistently and emphatically from inflicting pain, speaking violently or spitefully, chauvinistically or in self-interest, to impoverish, exploit or deny basic rights to anybody, and to incite hatred by denigrating others, and;

**WHEREAS**, we urgently need to make compassion a clear, luminous, and dynamic force in our polarized world, rooted in a principled determination to transcend selfishness, and break down political, dogmatic and ideological boundaries;

**THEREFORE**, I, Wayne R. Tuggle, Sr., Mayor of Eden hereby proclaim Eden to be a Compassionate City and urge everyone to restore compassion to the center of our communal life.

Wayne R. Tuggle, Sr., Mayor

#### SET MEETING AGENDA:

Mayor Tuggle stated that there was a need to add a resolution to the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Council Member Carter seconded by Council Member Hampton to add a resolution accepting the Technical Assistance Grant offer from the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources to the Consent Agenda as item 12c and also to set the meeting agenda.

All Council Members present voted in favor of this motion. This motion carried.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

a. Consideration of a zoning text amendment request to delete Section 11.31(f)(9) which allows for temporary banners to be placed in the public right of way and add a new Section 11.31(k)(1)(e) to regulate such banners in the public right of way. Request submitted by the City of Eden City Council. ZONING CASE Z-12-05.

The Planning Board first considered this request in August 2012. This request was not heard by the City Council. Based upon a request by the City Manager, the request was reconsidered by the Planning Board on June 24, 2014. They recommended that the request be approved as amended.

Mayor Tuggle declared the public hearing open and asked Ms. Stultz, Director of Planning & Inspections to come forward to give a report.

Ms. Stultz explained that since the sign ordinance was adopted, provisions have been made for civic groups and other non-commercial organizations to be allowed to place temporary banners in the public right-of-way for special events. The primary location for these banners has been at the intersection of Van Buren Road (Highway 14) and East Arbor Lane. Requests must be made in writing to and approved by the City Council. No time limit is currently specified in the Sign Ordinance, however banners have typically been allowed for a maximum of 30 days.

Over time, the banner situation has become more of a problem. Since most applicants want to place banners at the Highway 14/Arbor Lane intersection, requests have been approved on a first come first serve basis. There is often more than one banner displayed at any one time and space is very limited at this location. There have been increasing problems with applicants not getting their banners approved because (a) other banners were already in place; (b) they did not submit a written application; (c) they thought they could just call and make a request; or (d) they presumed because they had made a prior year request, they could just put up a banner for the same event this year without making a new application. In addition, sign clutter has become a real problem, creating not only appearance issues, but sight visibility issues as well.

Mayor Tuggle asked if it would be one banner or two or three.

Ms. Stultz replied that this would hold two. She added that they have really only seen these signs at the intersection at BB&T and they can become site obstructions there. She explained that they would like for them to be right out there behind the city plantings on NC14 on the grass beside McDonalds. She also added that she was not saying that someone could not come in, for example Ms. Cindy Adams (Tourism & Events) was helping the Draper Village folks with the festival this month, and if there was somewhere down there and they want to put a sign on their own property, or a property owner agrees to it she did not think it can always be a bad thing so she would also like to leave their organization a little bit of flexibility.

She explained that staff is of the opinion that specific provisions be included in the ordinance to address these issues. Based upon the foregoing information, staff recommends in favor of the text amendment.

Mayor Tuggle asked how many different places had been requested to have a spot to which Ms. Stultz replied that so far there was only one. Mayor Tuggle stated so they would want to leave it open to allow them to have one in Spray and Draper.

Ms. Stultz replied yes and if it was successful there were other places in the city where it could be done.

Mayor Tuggle asked how many requests they get for banners each year.

Ms. Stultz replied that other than the tourism events they probably get ten, it was not an enormous number, but what happens was, if something like that goes in the right of way, there were pizza signs, hair cut signs, gravel signs, all of those kind of things show up. So if there was a set procedure for it and they could accommodate people rather quickly she thought it would work much better.

Council Member Carter stated that she had said no commercial, so restaurants could not put any of their signs in the right of way.

Ms. Stultz relied no, and they were not supposed to do it now, but Dominos does it right often and they see lots of them and at times when they do sweeps they regularly pick up signs.

Council Member Carter asked if she had any feedback from the commercial business owners.

Ms. Stultz replied no, this would not change anything for them because they already cannot put anything in the right of way. She explained that this just makes it so that nonprofit events can be advertised, such as Riverfest, Shagging on Fieldcrest or the Presbyterian Church who has an Oktoberfest and they generally want to have one. So there were other community organizations that do that and there were lots of possibilities, civic clubs, Habitat, all those kinds of things, but it does not apply to someone's commercial message.

Council Member Carter asked if they could put their signs on their own property if it was not in the right of way.

Ms. Stultz replied that assuming they have not used up all the square footage they can have for signs.

Council Member Carter noted that in a strip center there was really nowhere for them to put a sign.

Ms. Stultz explained that generally a strip shopping center has a sign on the building and then a sign for the shopping center. They have a lot of leeway with signs but really this was not about commercial signs and nothing for them will change. This was just for nonprofits and community events.

Council Member Burnette clarified that there were no real changes other than defining the regulations they have been trying to enforce anyway, correct.

Ms. Stultz replied yes and to allow these folks to come into the office and get a permit as now without it, if they miss the Council's deadline then they have to wait.

Council Member Burnette stated that this took the Council out of it with the definition of all this to which Ms. Stultz replied yes. Council Member Burnette stated that he had one question and he agreed with her about homemade signs, but they would make allowances for the individual that has the talent to make their own sign that look professional.

Ms. Stultz replied yes if it looks professional and as with anything else people could appeal her decision.

Council Member Hall stated that he realized that the zoning group had the say over whether or not the sign was acceptable and there was a set amount of time they have to get it down but he did not see that there was any kind of a penalty or punishment for not getting it down. He questioned if people could take advantage of it and after they finish their event, just leave the sign and city staff has to get it down.

Ms. Stultz replied that they could send them violation notices and the next time they want a sign then they could tell them.

Council Member Hall stated that he was not trying to increase any kind of fees on anybody but if you had a simple deposit where they came in and gave them \$10, then they would take it down and come in and get their \$10 back or whatever the nominal fee was to make sure they comply throughout the entire term.

Ms. Stultz explained that it would be the same penalty that would be applicable to anybody else that violates the zoning ordinance. In some ways this was like other things they do with special permission to do something that you could not otherwise do. The last time they discussed it they had a Planning Board member who was really upset no matter how many times they were told that nonprofits do not have to pay for simple permits. For instance, she explained that for Charlie Poole they issue permits for free and they would also take organizations like Red Cross or things that the schools do, all of those things would be taken into account.

Council Member Hall stated that he was sure most of them comply and take them down, especially if they are professional signs as they would probably re-use them but he just wanted to make sure they did not get stuck cleaning up because somebody did not take the time to get it down.

Ms. Stultz replied that she appreciated it but they were usually okay. They have a lot of money in the sign and want them back because they do re-use them.

Council Member Hampton asked for clarification, she was just talking about putting the signs over by BB&T, the 2 poles.

Ms. Stultz replied no, if they take a look at the drawing, she proposed that if they make that structure, they put it up and see how it worked, but not preclude people that might want to do it somewhere else, to give them the opportunity as long as there is no site obstruction and those things. Sometimes when they have the Pottery Festival at Kingsway, they need

to put a sign right out there in front of the shopping center and so far it has been tricky for her to permit that. So she wanted to be able to do that for not only their own staff but other people, without creating a precedent and a lot of clutter in the right of way.

Council Member Carter asked if it was possible to do commercial advertising if they want to pay for it.

Ms. Stultz replied that in her opinion no. She explained that their zoning ordinance does not allow commercial signs in the right of way. Of course if the Council wanted to consider it they could but she would be adamantly against it and she would guess that the Planning Board would because then they would have a free for all of signs in the right of way and if they were in the right of way all over town you have no way to regulate how many square feet a business can have and those kinds of things and signs can get out of hand in a hurry. She also added that NCDOT does not allow them in their right of way no matter what the city did. They have only agreed to allow this in certain areas on NC14 and Kings Highway.

Council Member Ellis questioned NC14 and Kings Highway.

Ms. Stultz explained that's where they were talking about right now. She added that they have been okay with the ones that have gone up at BB&T at this point and anybody that has put a sign up at BB&T's yard have had to ask them and they still will. She explained that they just want to have nice location, something that gets a lot of traffic and start and see where it would go from there. She stated that she may be coming back to ask the City Council to put a structure somewhere else and they may discover they need something more elaborate but this was a really inexpensive way to start.

Council Member Burnette asked if the motion did not include the erection of those poles.

Ms. Stultz explained that she would like to make two motions one to approve the zoning amendment and two to allow her to get prices and talk with the City Manager about poles. She added that they anticipate it to be way under a thousand dollars and so they were hoping to be able to get the City Council's permission and then go to the City Manager and get his opinion when they do.

Mayor Tuggle asked if anyone wanted to speak in favor or in opposition of this request. As no one came forward to speak he declared the public hearing closed. Mayor Tuggle asked if there were any other questions and then asked for a motion.

A motion was made by Council Member Ellis seconded by Council Member Hall to approve the request for a zoning text amendment to delete Section 11.31(f)(9) which allows for temporary banners to be placed in the public right of way and add a new Section 11.31(k)(1)(e) to regulate such banners in the public right of way. Action on the motion was as follows: Council Members Ellis, Hall, Epps, Burnette and Hampton voted in favor of this motion. Council Member Carter voted in opposition. This motion carried.

b. Consideration of a zoning text amendment request to amend Section 11.24(m) to allow caretaker residences as an accessory use in the I-2 zoning districts. Request submitted by the City of Eden Planning Board. ZONING CASE Z-14-03.

The City has received a zoning text amendment request from the Planning Board to amend Section 11.26(m) to allow caretaker residences as an accessory use in the Industrial-2 districts. Staff recommended that the text amendment be approved. The Planning Board considered this request at their regular meeting on June 24, 2014 and recommended that the amendment be approved.

Mayor Tuggle declared the public hearing open asked Ms. Stultz to come forward to give a report.

Ms. Stultz explained that this amendment was initiated by the Planning Board to allow caretaker residences as an accessory use under certain conditions in the I-2 districts. The I-2 Industrial District is established as a district in which the principal use of land is for industries that by their nature may create some nuisance and which are not properly associated with nor compatible with uses in other zoning districts. Residential uses are not currently permitted in the I-2 districts.

Often on large and remote industrial properties, there is concern about vandalism and other security issues which might arise. In some jurisdictions, a caretaker residence has been allowed on the property. This can reduce security issues. Staff is of the opinion that caretaker residences can be beneficial to these properties under certain circumstances. Staff recommends that caretaker residences be allowed only on properties 50 acres or greater and only as an accessory use to an active industrial property. Any such residential use must meet the setback requirements and all other requirements of the I-2 zoning district. Staff also recommends that if the industrial use is discontinued, the residential use must also be vacated.

Therefore, staff recommends that caretaker residences be allowed as an accessory use in the I-2 districts under the recommended conditions. Based upon the foregoing information, staff recommends in favor of the text amendment.

Council Member Burnette asked who would monitor the residences to which Ms. Stultz replied the city planning staff.

Mayor Tuggle asked if anyone wanted to speak in favor or in opposition of this request. As no one came forward to speak he declared the public hearing closed and asked if there were any questions.

A motion was made by Council Member Burnette seconded by Council Member Ellis to approve the request to amend Section 11.24(m) to allow caretaker residences as an accessory use in the I-2 zoning districts. All Council Members present voted in favor of this motion. This motion carried.

c. Consideration of a zoning text amendment request to amend Section 11.24(i)(1) to allow funeral homes as a permitted use in the Business Highway #1 zoning district. Request submitted by Clarence Boston. ZONING CASE Z-14-04.

The City has received a zoning text amendment request from Clarence Boston to amend Section 11.26(i)(1) to allow funeral homes in the Business-Highway #1 districts. Staff recommended that the text amendment be approved. The Planning Board considered this request at their regular meeting on June 24, 2014 and recommended that the amendment be approved.

Mayor Tuggle called for a public hearing and asked Ms. Stultz to come forward to give a report.

Ms. Stultz explained that the Business Highway #1 (B-H#1) zoning district is designed to be located on larger commercial lots particularly in proximity to major roads and thoroughfares. The lots in this district would allow for sufficient parking.

Funeral Homes are currently allowed only in the Business-General (BG) zoning district. The city of Eden has had a funeral home business located in the Office and Institutional district since before consolidation in 1967.

It is the opinion of staff, that a funeral home would be a compatible use in the B-H #1 district. Based upon the foregoing information, staff recommends in approval of the text amendment.

Council Member Burnette asked for examples of other areas.

Ms. Stultz replied that there was Highway 14, Kings Highway, or areas of Stadium Drive. She explained that Business Highway #1 was designed to be on a major corridor and they had some existing buildings that can be converted and she thought that it was not a use that would be negative to those areas.

Mayor Tuggle asked if anyone wanted to speak in favor or in opposition of this request. As no one came forward to speak he declared the public hearing closed and asked if there were any questions.

A motion was made by Council Member Hall seconded by Council Member Burnette to approve the request to amend Section 11.24(i)(1) to allow funeral homes as a permitted use in the Business-Highway #1 zoning district. All Council Members present voted in favor of this motion. This motion carried.

### REQUESTS AND PETITIONS OF CITIZENS:

Mr. Robert Hodge, 610 Spring Street, addressed the City Council:

Mr. Hodge explained that he had lived on Spring Street for 44 years. He stated that he had no hostility against Ms. Stultz as he knew she was doing her job.

He explained that he had two lots 610 and 614 Spring Street. They went over onto 614 Spring Street and took some of his machinery. He stated that he was not worried about the machinery, he could replace that, but he would like his child's toys back.

Mayor Tuggle asked him to explain what they took.

Mr. Hodge replied that they took a sledge hammer, wedges, axes, a sand pot, a compressor, a 2-ton come along, a set of 16" Michelins, a set of tires on a rim and pumped up for his truck. He added that he already had his truck removed and it did not show in the pictures that he had his truck removed. It also did not show that he had his building in there.

He stated that he had talked with Debra Madison (Planning) and had explained that he had blown a head gasket and was getting it worked on right then and there. His mother was in bad health and was over at Annie Penn and he had to be over there and he also drove a truck.

The day this photo was taken, he was over there the next day weed eating. When it got up to 115 degrees he had to stop. His upper lot had been weed eaten and he had started the next lot where his house was at from the sidewalk to the road. He stated that he had asked her for a little time because he was having so much trouble. His mother had Alzheimer's and back problems and he was the only one in his family that could drive her.

Mayor Tuggle asked Ms. Stultz to respond.

Ms. Stultz explained that she had known Mr. Hodge since 2002 and they have had a number of complaints about his property. In this particular case they received a complaint from a resident and went out and took pictures and sent him a notice.

Mayor Tuggle asked if it was mostly weeds.

Ms. Stultz replied that it was weeds, junk and high grass. She explained that what happened was we waited in requisite time and a notice was sent on May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Hodge said the first notice said 6/13.

Ms. Stultz stated that at any rate the time had passed and as they were doing now, the process was that once her inspection staff goes out to check and make sure that it had not been abated and then they sent a work order to Mr. Dishmon (Grounds & Facilities Maintenance) and he sent his staff out to clear the property. She explained that Mr. Dishmon informed her that there had been an area that had been mowed, there was a lot of stuff that was still there, and he made some decisions about the things to leave and cleaned up the rest of the property and did the mowing.

Mr. Hodge stated that hand tools were not cheap. They took his hand tools, ratchets, sockets, screw drivers and a lot of stuff he could not say. They should have been able to tell that his compressor was not a piece of junk.

Mayor Tuggle stated that he thought the only way to solve this was to turn it over to the Chief of Police and let him get in touch with him. Then he can try to settle it one way or the other.

Mr. Hodge stated that he would go see either Chief Pyrtle of Deputy Chief Light but he had no problem working it out with Ms. Stultz.

Mayor Tuggle asked that he discuss it with Ms. Stultz and if he could not get it worked out through her then get in touch with the Police Department.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

There was no unfinished business at this time.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

There was no new business at this time.

#### REPORTS FROM STAFF:

There were no reports at this time.

### COMMENT BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER:

Council Member Carter stated for clarification, to set the record straight on a couple of comments that have been made as far as the Fire Department restructuring, it had said all Council Members were on board. He stated that he had told the Chief that he was not on board, but it was his department and he respected him to do within reason what he had done. He just wanted to say that everybody was not on board.

Fire Chief Underwood explained that what he had said was that he had talked with all Council Members and the part about being on board was not said.

### CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approval and Adoption of Minutes: June 17, 2014.
- b. Consideration of Approval to Repair Early Avenue Storm Drain Culvert.

On June 11, a street crew found a sinkhole on Early Avenue between Greenwood Street and Moir Street. Upon closer inspection the crew found that the metal culvert under the road had corroded away on the bottom of the pipe and a section midway in the road had

dropped down exposing dirt above the pipe between the joints. The roadway was closed to traffic that day due to the potential for the pipe to collapse. On June 20, a crew was sent out to dig out this existing sinkhole to explore for voids underneath the pavement. Once the pavement was removed, voids were found under the sinkhole and around the pipe. At that point it was determined that the culvert would have to be replaced. This type of work generally requires larger equipment than the city owns, so it was determined that this repair work would be best to contract out.

Bids were solicited from two local contractors, who were Yates Construction Company and Sam W Smith Incorporated. The last bid for this work was received on July 8. The bids were as follows.

Contractors Quotes
Yates Construction \$67,328.80
Sam W. Smith, Inc. \$113,726.40

There is a significant difference in those bid amounts. Part of this difference may be attributed to the fact that Yates Construction is already mobilized in Eden, currently working on the Kuder Street Sewer Rehabilitation Project. Yates has also been awarded the Tanyard Branch Sewer Rehab Project. A sewer main pipe at the south end of the Early Avenue culvert is being relocated as part of the Tanyard Branch project that will begin early next month. The relocation of this pipe provides some cost economy as part of the Tanyard Branch project, making the Early Avenue repair not involve a sewer line. Since the sewer line relocation has already been approved by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, this road repair project can proceed as soon as it is approved and the contractor can order the replacement culvert pipe.

The staff recommends that the Council approve of this expenditure from the General Fund Contingency and award the project to Yates Construction.

c. Approval and Adoption of Resolution Accepting a Technical Assistance Grant offer from the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources in the amount of \$50,000 for the Kuder Street and Dry Creek Basins Capacity Model Enhancement.

## RESOLUTION BY GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF EDEN, NC

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Clean Water Revolving Loan and Grant Act of 1987 has authorized the making of loans and grants to aid eligible units of government in financing the cost of construction of wastewater treatment works, wastewater collection systems, and water supply systems, water conservation projects, and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources has offered a Technical Assistance Grant in the amount \$50,000 for the Kuder Street and Dry Creek Basins Capacity Model Enhancement, and

WHEREAS.

The City of Eden intends to use this enhancement project to complete the development of a fully-operational dynamic hydraulic model of the entire wastewater collection system to assist in compliance with an Environmental Protection Agency Administrative Order,

#### NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDEN:

That the City of Eden does hereby accept the Technical Assistance Grant offer of \$50,000.

That the City of Eden does hereby give assurance to the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources that all items specified in the grant offer, Section II - Assurances will be adhered to.

That Brad Corcoran, City Manager, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the appropriate State agency may request in connection with such application or the project; to make the assurances as contained above; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.

That the City of Eden has substantially complied or will substantially comply with all Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances applicable to the project and to Federal and State grants and loans pertaining thereto.

Adopted this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2014, at Council Chambers in City Hall of Eden, North Carolina.

Wayne R. Tuggle, Sr., Mayor

A motion was made by unanimous consent to approve Consent Agenda items. All Council Members present voted in favor of this motion.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mayor Tuggle asked Mr. Johnny Farmer, Director of Parks & Recreation to come forward for a special report.

Mr. Farmer explained that there would be two major events happening here within the next two months. He began by explaining that starting Friday, July 18<sup>th</sup> and running until July 26<sup>th</sup> the City of Eden will be hosting the North Carolina Dixie Youth AAA State Tournament and they would have about 16 teams from across the State of North Carolina. He explained that this was one of the bigger tournaments that Dixie Youth does.

Mr. Farmer also explained that back in February the city was designated a Playful City award by Kaboom. He stated that they got their welcome signs from Kaboom and those will be up in a few weeks.

He explained that when they were designated, it allowed them to apply for grants with them. The city has been awarded a Playground Grant from Kaboom along with Kate B. Reynolds. They will be doing 2 playgrounds in Rockingham County this year and Eden was fortunate enough to be the first one picked.

He noted that their build date will take place on August 16 at Morgan Road Park beginning about 8:30 that day. They will build a playground from 8:30 that morning until about 3:00 that afternoon. They will need to get 200 volunteers to help install the playground and the prep day will be the Thursday and Friday before that Saturday.

Mayor Tuggle also explained that he had a letter from Ms. Rorrer commending Kathy "Tank" Overby (Parks & Recreation) and noting what a pleasure she had working with her.

# **ADJOURNMENT**:

A motion was made by unanimous consent to adjourn. All Council Members present voted in favor of this motion.

	Respectfully submitted,
	Sheralene S. Thompson, CMC, MMC, NCCMC City Clerk
ATTEST:	
Wayne Tuggle, Sr., Mayor	