# Minutes
# Town of Chadbourn, North Carolina
# Chadbourn Council Regular Meeting

## December 3, 2013

The Regular Council Meeting of the Chadbourn Town Council was held Tuesday, December 3, 2013 at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Meeting Room.

**Members Present:** Mayor Fax Rector; Mayor Pro Tem Rashad Roberts; Councilmembers: Phillip Honeycutt, Edwin Roberts, Donald Ray Bass and David Worley (newly elected member)

**Members Absent:** Councilmember Brian Edwards

**Others Present:** Stevie Cox, Town Manager; Patricia Garrell, Town Clerk; Mike Foss, Public Works Director; Robert Mumblow, Interim Chief of Police; and Harold Pope, Town Attorney.

### CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Rector called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Patricia Garrell, Town Clerk, took roll call.

### INVOCATION

Rev. Timothy Lance, Pastor of Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church, led the assembly in prayer.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Fax Rector led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Town Manager, Stevie Cox stated that there was an error on the Agenda for item XII for a Closed Meeting and it should be removed.

Councilmember Rashad Roberts made a motion to approve the Agenda and to remove item XII for a Closed Meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Honeycutt to approve the Agenda and remove item XII for a Closed Meeting. The motion carried with a vote of 4 - 0.

### Approval of Minutes of Town Council Meeting

1. Closed Meeting Minutes – October 1, 2013
2. Regular Minutes – November 12, 2013
3. Closed Minutes – November 12, 2013

Councilmember Rashad Roberts made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes and Closed Minutes listed above. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Bass to approve the minutes. The motion carried with a vote of 4 - 0.

## ACTION AGENDA ITEMS FROM CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Rector stated that at 6 p.m., tonight Council held a Closed Meeting concerning a grievance submitted by Sergeant Brian Campbell. Mayor Rector asked Council if any Councilmember would make a motion concerning the hearing.

Councilmember Rashad Roberts made a motion to uphold the grievance decision by the Town Manager for Sergeant Brian Campbell. The motion died due to lack of a second.

Councilmember Bass made a motion to reinstate Sergeant Brian Campbell's job with guidance and disciplinary action from the Police Chief. Councilmember Honeycutt seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 3 -1. Councilmember Rashad Roberts was a nay.

## PRESENTATION OF SERVICE AWARDS

Mayor Rector recognized Councilmember Phillip Honeycutt for his service on Town Council since December 2009 to December 2013.

## SWEARING IN OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS

**Mayor Rector recognized Columbus County Magistrate, Ava Ward, to swear in the Mayor and Superior Court Judge D. Jack Hooks, Jr., to swear in Town Council pursuant to the Chadbourn Code of Ordinance.**

***Reference: Town Ordinance, Code of Chadbourn, Sec. 2.3 Mayor; term of office; duties.***

*"The Mayor shall be elected by all the qualified voters of the Town for a term of two years or until his or her successor is elected and qualified; shall be the official head of the Town government and preside at meetings of the Council; shall have the right to vote only when there is an equal division on any question or matter before the Council; and shall exercise the powers and duties conferred by law or as directed by the Council."*

Columbus County Magistrate Ava Ward swore in the newly elected Mayor of the Chadbourn Town Council for a four (4) year term beginning December 2013 and ending December 2017.

- Mayor Fax Rector

Superior Court Judge D. Jack Hooks, Jr., swore in the newly elected and re-elected Councilmembers of the Chadbourn Town Council each for a four (4) year term beginning December 2013 and ending December 2017.

- Councilmember Rashad Roberts
- Councilmember Donald Ray Bass
- Councilmember David Worley

## PUBLIC COMMENTS AND CITIZEN REQUEST

*Anyone seeking to speak under Public Comments must complete a comment card and submit it to the Town Clerk prior to the start of the Town Council Meeting. When you come up to speak, you will need to state your name, address, what organization that you represent and your topic of concern.*

**Mayor Rector opened the floor for Public Comments from the comment cards he received.**

**Russell Gause, Chadbourn, N.C.**

- Stated that his yard waste is not being picked up.

**Mayor Rector closed the Public Comments.**

## ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO-TEM

**Mayor Rector stated that Council would elect a Mayor Pro-Tem pursuant to the Chadbourn's Code of Ordinance.**

***Reference: Town Ordinance, Code of Chadbourn, Sec. 2.4 Mayor pro tempore.***

*"The Council shall elect one of it(s) members as Mayor Pro Tempore to perform the duties of the Mayor during his or her absence or disability, in accordance with general law. The Mayor Pro Tempore shall serve in such capacity at the pleasure of the other members of the Council.*

Mayor Rector asked Council to make a motion to elect the Mayor Pro-Tem for the term of one (1) year.

Councilmember Edwin Roberts made a motion to elect Councilmember Bass as the Mayor Pro-Tem. Councilmember Worley seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 4 -0. Councilmember Rashad Roberts did not vote.

## ACTION AGENDA

1. **Approval of Annual Veterans Day Program**
   **Presented by: Mayor Fax Rector**

   **Mayor Rector stated that he is requesting Council to make a motion to have an Annual Veterans Day Program.**

Councilmember Rashad Roberts made a motion to have an Annual Veterans Day Program. Councilmember Bass seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 4 -0.

2. **Update on Condemnation, Demolition and Clearance Activities.**
   **Presented by: Bob Mumblow, Interim Police Chief**

   Bob Mumblow, Interim Police Chief updated Council on Condemnation, Demolition and Clearance Activities.

Mayor Rector thanked Interim Chief Mumblow for the updates.

**(Clerk's Note: Copies of the Action Agenda item Update on Condemnation, Demolition and Clearance Activities are hereby attached and therefore made a part of these minutes)**

## COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Rector asked Manager Cox if he had any announcements.

Mr. Cox made the following announcements:

- Town Hall will be closed on December 19th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for the Annual Employee Holiday Party.

- Town Hall will be closed December 24th, 25th, 26th and January 1st for the Holidays.
- Mr. Cox is requesting everyone to remember Pearl Harbor Day on December 7th.

## ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mayor Rector adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Fax Rector, Mayor

Attest:

Patricia Garrell, Town Clerk