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**TOWN OF WENTWORTH  
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
M I N U T E S  
NOVEMBER 6, 2008  
7:00 P.M.**

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**The Wentworth Town Council** held their regular monthly meeting in the Town Hall meeting room at the National Guard Armory, on **Tuesday, November 6, 2008**, at **7:00 p.m.**

**Council members present:** Mayor Dennis Paschal, Mayor Pro Tem Evelyn Conner, Councilwoman Iris Powell, and Councilman James Belcher

**A quorum was present.** (Note: Councilman Robert Aswell came for the meeting but had to leave prior to the start of the meeting due to a family emergency.)

**Staff Present:** Brenda Ward, Town Administrator – Town Clerk / Yvonne Russell, Finance Officer / Deputy Sheriff Clarence Cheshire, and Travis Martin of Smith Moore Leatherwood (Attorney)

**Article I.** Mayor Paschal called the meeting to order.

**Article II.** Councilman James Belcher gave the **Invocation.**

**Article III.** Discussion / Revisions / Adoption of Agenda

**A. Requests and Petitions of Citizens**

Mayor Paschal noted, “Everyone has the *revised* Agenda with the addition of Item E (Recognition & Presentation of Awards to “Community Pride Award” Winners). There are no signatures on the Speaker Register, so I would like to make a motion, *‘To move Item E to the beginning of New Business and approve the Agenda as presented.’*”

Councilman James Belcher seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

**Article IV.** Approval of Town Council Meeting Minutes

**A. Town Council Meeting – October 7, 2008**

Mayor Paschal asked if there were any corrections to the Minutes of the Town Council Meeting for October 7, 2008. There were no changes to the Minutes.

Councilman James Belcher made a motion, *“The Minutes be approved as presented.”*

There was no discussion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

**Article V. PUBLIC HEARING**

**A. Consideration of Revisions to the Town of Wentworth Planning & Zoning Ordinances:**

- **Chapter 1 - Definitions**
- **Chapter 2 - Zoning, Article VII, Section 4 – A request to adopt revisions to define, add to the Table of Permitted Uses, and add Special Use Permit Requirements for an “Animal Shelter”**

**Mayor Paschal** called the Public Hearing to order and asked **Ms. Frankie Legaux**, Assistant Planning Director, to review the amendments for Council.

**Ms. Legaux** explained, “In September, the Planning Board had a work session to discuss a number of amendments that needed to be made to the Planning and Zoning ordinances. One of these involves the new Animal Shelter that is being proposed for Rockingham County.”

**Ms. Legaux** advised that an animal shelter is not a permitted use in the current Planning and Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Wentworth. She noted that in the work session, the Planning Board decided that the best way to allow for animal shelters would be a Special Use Permit, with certain conditions in place.

“If you were to see other conditions that you feel might be necessary after they (Rockingham County) make their proposal,” **Ms. Legaux** said, “then you would be allowed to ask for the additional conditions on approval.”

**Ms. Legaux** continued, “All of this is new wording into your ordinance, since we have not had anything on animal shelters before. We are going to add a definition for an Animal Shelter that comes from the North Carolina General Statutes. We are using what the States uses as a definition for Animal Shelter.”

“We also have to add that to the Table of Permitted Uses, and we would allow them in Office and Institutional and in a Light Industrial zoning district.”

“In the Special Use requirements, you can see we set a minimum lot size of one (1) acre; we have increased setbacks from what your normal setback would be, and that is because animal shelters can, if they have outside pens, create noise, obviously, with dogs barking.”

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**Ms. Legaux** continued, “We have required parking, and they (Rockingham County) have submitted a site plan.”

She noted other requirements—having direct access, accessory buildings, and the height of the fences surrounding the animal shelter; also, lighting requirements, how animal waste is to be disposed of on a daily basis, and the need to comply with State requirements for the disposal of waste.

**Ms. Legaux** gave Council members a sketch of what the animal shelter is supposed to look like, but noted that changes could be made before a final site plan is presented.

She said again, “There are other conditions that you could add once you see the tract. At the present time, the proposed location is to the right of the Business and Technology Center on a wooded lot, 3 to 4 acres, including buffers.”

“One of the questions proposed by the Planning Board,” said **Ms. Legaux**, “is what kind of animals they will be housing. They are really looking at domesticated animals, cats and dogs, but they may at certain times hold barnyard animals, such as miniature horses or pot-bellied pigs, but only until that particular rescue group comes to rescue the animal, in 3 to 5 hours. They will not be doing any rescue of wild animals, as this would be handled by the Wildlife Commission.”

**Ms. Legaux** said she would be glad to answer any questions from Council concerning the animal shelter ordinance text. There were no questions.

**Mayor Paschal** made a motion, “*That we adopt the amendments and revisions to the Town of Wentworth Planning and Zoning Ordinance as recommended by the Planning Board and as presented by the Planning Staff, and that we adopt the Statements of Consistency as required by NCGS 160A-382(b) and 160-A-383, and as outlined in the Town Council’s Analysis and Statetment.*”

**Councilman Belcher** seconded the motion. There was no discussion and everyone voted in favor. The motion carried.

**Mayor Paschal** asked Ms. Legaux to continue with Item B under the Public Hearing.

**B. Consideration of Revisions to the Town of Wentworth Planning & Zoning Ordinances:**

- **Chapter 1 - Definitions; a request to adopt revisions to delete definitions no longer used;**
- **Chapter 2 - Zoning, Article VIII, Section 1, to amend the lot size in Highway Commercial Districts;**
- **Chapter 2 - Zoning, Article X, Section 4(f), to amend requirements for signs erected by governmental bodies;**
- **Chapter 2 - Zoning, Article IX, Section 1 to place parking requirements in table format and amend general parking requirements;**
- **Chapter 2 - Zoning, Article VII, Section 4, to correct Table of Permitted Uses and amend uses allowed by development standards to be indicated by “D”;**
- **Chapter 3 - Subdivisions, Article VI, Section 6(a), to delete references to Class C Roads.**

**Ms. Legaux** said, “At the same meeting (Planning Board Work Session), we discussed a number of ordinance changes and corrections that needed to be made. This is just the first of several ordinance amendments that you are going to see. We will be meeting with the Fire Marshal to incorporate some things he wants for subdivisions, and we are looking at some other changes that we have been discussing with the Planning Board, and with Brenda and Yvonne. So, this is the first of a series.”

“In Chapter 1, Definitions, the first note about the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance states that it is in the code of Federal regulations and that is true; however, we do have the definition in Chapter 5 of the Planning & Zoning Ordinance Book.”

“We are also going to delete the definition for Airport Hazards, as we have already deleted the Airport Hazard chapter of the Ordinance, so we don’t need to define it, and we are going to delete Land Development Guide, because we have replaced it with comprehensive plan...with your Land Use Plan that was adopted.”

Regarding Chapter 2, Article VIII, **Ms. Legaux** advised, “We are revising the Table of Area and Yard Requirements to read: 30,000 with individual water *and* sewer, 25,000 with water *or* sewer, and 15,000 with community water *and* sewer. You already have this in your Community Shopping lot sizes, so it seems logical that you would also have it in Highway Commercial since you generally have some of the same things in those zones.”

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**Ms. Legaux** continued, “We are going to amend Chapter 2, Article X, Section 4(f), to read: *Identification and informational signs and traffic directional signs erected by or on behalf of a government body.*”

“This is so that you can put ‘Welcome to Wentworth’ signs or ‘Wentworth City Limit’ signs or anything like that—a Town Hall sign. Before, it just said, ‘conveys information regarding a public service or the location of a public facility.’ We feel we need to be a little broader in what is allowed, so that if the Town Council sees fit to erect a sign, this would be the way to do it.”

She explained also that, as in the original text, “such signs may be illuminated.”

**Ms. Legaux** referred Council to Chapter 2, Article IX, Section 1 regarding Parking Standards, advising, “We are putting the parking standards into a table format...we are not changing anything about it...the other thing we have done in this section is that in three different places we have the size of the parking space listed. What we are doing is eliminating some of the redundancy in the Ordinance. We really only need to list the size of a parking space in one place...we don’t need it three times.”

**Ms. Legaux** explained that other changes in Section 5 are for clarity and to correct lettering accordingly—“(f) (g) (h).”

As for Chapter 2, Article VII, Section 4 text and the Table of Permitted Uses, **Ms. Legaux** advised, “...back when Highway Commercial Districts 1, 2, and 3 were added, apparently there was a problem with formatting, and in the Heavy Industrial Districts, everything shifted up one and is therefore incorrect. So, I have traced it back and made the corrections to the Table so that what was actually voted on and approved is reflected in the Table. There are no changes in what is allowed in the zoning districts.”

“The other change we are making is...before, we had development standards listed in the section prior to the Table of Permitted Uses—one of those is agritourism activities; one is a special event permit—instead of putting an “X” if they are permitted, we are using a “D” meaning there are development standards required. We can automatically see if there is an “X” they are permitted by right, an “S” indicates a Special Use Permit is required, and “D” indicates that there are Development Standards required.”

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**Ms. Legaux** referred Council to Chapter 3, Article VI, Section 6 explaining that the “strikethroughs” are being removed, “so that you have a readable ordinance.” She explained that with these changes, everything is moved up and re-lettered alphabetically and numerically.

**Ms. Legaux** asked if Council had any questions regarding the Ordinance text amendments and changes. There were no questions.

**Mayor Paschal** made a motion, *“That we adopt the amendments and revisions to the Town of Wentworth Planning and Zoning Ordinance as recommended by the Planning Board and as presented by the Planning Staff, and that we adopt the Statements of Consistency as required by NCGS 160A-382(b) and 160-A-383, and as outlined in the Town Council’s Analysis and Statment.”*

**Councilman Belcher** seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

**Mayor Paschal** made a motion that, *“the Public Hearing be closed.”*  
**Councilman Belcher** seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The mayor moved to **Article VI. Old Business**, on the Agenda.

**Article VI. Old Business**

**A. Consideration of Interlocal Agreement Draft between Rockingham County and the Town of Wentworth for use of the Old Wentworth School Ball Field and Gymnasium.**

**Mayor Paschal** asked the Town Administrator for an update.

**Mrs. Ward** referenced a memo given to Council, giving a recap of their visit to the old Wentworth School on Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup>.

She continued, “Most of you were able to meet with Tom Wagoner for a tour of the school and ball field. After Mr. (Richard) Capps, Chairman of the Recreation Committee, toured the building, I think there were a lot of questions in his mind and in yours.”

**Mrs. Ward** said Mr. Capps has already met with Dixie Penn of the Madison/Mayodan Recreation Department.

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She advised, “He has looked at their scheduled activities and some of the costs involved and has some ideas. But, after looking at the Lease Agreement provided by the County...and I spoke with our attorney about it, too..., **Mr. Capps** thinks perhaps the County should assume a little more responsibility than alluded to in the agreement, for some of the major things that need to be addressed—the leaky roof and plumbing issues.”

**Mrs. Ward** said Mr. Capps has volunteers already, who are willing to work on the ball fields to get them in good shape, and also to work inside the gym to address the cosmetics—painting, etc.

“At this point,” said **Mrs. Ward**, “I will refer you to Paragraph No. 9 of the Lease Agreement, for some changes our attorney made, but in light of some things Mr. Capps is still working on, I think you may want to table this...and, you may have some questions yourself for our attorney concerning the Lease, or Mr. Baggett may have some comments.”

**Town Attorney, Fred Baggett**, advised, “I just thought the original paragraph was sort of wide open as to the Town’s responsibility of maintaining and perhaps even replacing some expensive system items—plumbing, wiring, and heating—so, I softened that and made it so that the town would be responsible for *routine* maintenance. But anything significant would be a matter of negotiation with the County, and the County Attorney agreed with that.”

**Mr. Baggett** noted, however, “But that doesn’t address some of these new concerns that I’ve just learned about...the things Mr. Capps is working on and the current condition of the building...so I agree with Brenda, it may be well to let Mr. Capps and others think about this a little more.”

**Councilman Belcher** commented, “Yes, after looking at it, I would highly recommend we take a pause and settle some of the issues governing the condition of the building and what needs to be done before we can safely use it.”

**Councilman Belcher** referenced some of the things mentioned by Mr. Wagoner, the County Engineer—“...as far as getting approval to use it, we would need to meet with the County Fire Marshal and code and inspections personnel...”

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**Mrs. Ward** added, “That’s right...he said it would depend on whether they (Planning & Inspections) consider it a different use, not a school use but rather a recreational facility, which might fall under different code requirements...and Tommy Wagoner said he would be glad to set that meeting up.”

**Mayor Paschal** asked, “Did he think he could do that in the next 30 days?”

**Mrs. Ward** said she wasn’t sure, “...because the Recreation Committee wants to meet again for some discussion, but I think I would just table it until the next meeting.”

**Mayor Paschal** asked about tabling the matter indefinitely. The Town Attorney said he would, “...just put it off until next month...to get a report...keep people working on it.”

**Mayor Paschal** made a motion, “*That we table Item A. under Old Business until our next meeting in December.*”

**Mayor Pro Tem Conner** seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

**Article VI. OLD BUSINESS – Continued**

**B. Consideration of “Co-Grand Marshal” for Christmas Parade**

**Mayor Paschal** said he asked that this be discussed again this month, and mentioned that he had been thinking about members of the Reactivation Committee who worked so hard on reactivating the Town Charter and the incorporation of Wentworth.

The mayor mentioned that **Wayne Hall** was the Fire Chief at the Wentworth Volunteer Fire Department at the time of the Charter reactivation and incorporation. He noted that Mr. Hall and others worked very hard to make this happen.

“Wayne has been in the hospital,” **Mayor Paschal** said, “and I asked him If he would be willing to serve as a co-grand marshal in the Christmas parade. He did say that if he is able at the time, he would be glad to do it.”

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**Mayor Paschal** made a motion, *“To allow Wayne Hall, if he is able, to be a co-grand marshal in the Wentworth Christmas Parade.”*

**Mayor Pro Tem Conner** seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

**Article VII. New Business**

**Mayor Paschal** noted that Item E. was added to the Agenda and that this would be moved up as the first item of New Business. He invited **Foresa Coe, Chair of the Appearance Committee**, to address Council.

**Ms. Coe** said she was honored to be at the Town Council meeting to present the Community Pride awards to the winners for the Fall quarter. She expressed her thanks to other committee members, **Sue Aswell** and **Dessa Schaeffer**, who worked hard on designing the award signs, getting them out to the winners, and soliciting prizes from area businesses.

**Ms. Coe** explained that the awards are given under two categories—residential and non-residential. She named **Dana Washburn of Hair Reflections** as the winner of the non-residential award. Mrs. Washburn was not present at the meeting.

The committee named three residential winners, two of whom were present for the meeting—**Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Barber** of 1230 County Home Road, and **Mr. & Mrs. John Hudspeth** of Whip-O-Will Way in University Estates. Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Handy on Dairy Road, were also winners of the Community Pride Award.

**Ms. Coe** explained that the Appearance Committee has approached area businesses, asking them to participate in the Community Pride Award by donating products or gift cards.

**Ms. Coe** presented the winners with hair-care products supplied by Hair Reflections, a Lowes gift card donated by Bill Ward of Grinding, Equipment, & Tooling, Inc., and a gift certificate from Mom’s Kitchen.

She commented that all of the businesses who supplied prizes for the Fall quarter winners, are located in Wentworth. She added, “We have sent letters out to all the businesses in Wentworth and to others in the surrounding area to see if they would like to contribute for future recognition.”

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“I hope everyone appreciates this, and I think it’s a great asset to the Community,” **Ms. Coe** concluded.

**Mayor Paschal** suggested that Council and the audience give the winners a hand of applause.

**Ms. Coe** said she forgot to mention, “...there will be an article and photos about the Community Pride Awards in the Reidsville Review in the next few weeks, so be looking for that.”

**Article VII. NEW BUSINESS – Continued**

**A. Consideration of Budget Amendment No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**Mayor Paschal** asked **Finance Officer, Yvonne Russell**, if she would like to comment on the budget amendment.

**Ms. Russell** advised Council, “This is our first budget amendment of the year. The first part of the budget is a transfer to the Capital Project Fund. When we were doing our budget planning, we estimated \$1.1 million for the Town Hall. The accepted construction bid was \$6,344.00 over that amount. The Capital Project Ordinance has been amended to reflect that increase, so we also need to amend the budget for the General Fund to show that increase. That’s what the first part is for.”

“The second part of the amendment concerns ‘Road Paving.’ During the audit, Mr. Rouse (Town Auditor) suggested we take that out of Capital Outlay. We do not own the roads, we do not maintain them, so they are not really Capital for us. Brenda and I talked about where to reclassify that and we both felt like Public Safety would be the most appropriate place. That’s basically it for the amendment unless you have any questions.”

**Mayor Paschal** asked if Council had any questions for Ms. Russell. There were no questions about the Budget Amendment.

**Councilman Belcher** made a motion, “*To approve Budget Amendment No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2008-2009.*”

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**Mayor Paschal** seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All voted in favor of approving the Budget Amendment.

**Article VII. NEW BUSINESS – Continued**

**B. Capital Project Fund – Financial Report**

**Mayor Paschal** asked Ms. Russell to present the report.

**Ms. Russell** said she did not have anything to add to the report, but would be glad to answer any questions.

There were no questions from Council. **Mayor Paschal** thanked Ms. Russell for the update.

**C. Consideration of Lease Agreement w/Duke Energy for Use of Poles to Display Banners/Flags, etc.**

**- Purchase of Holiday Banners**

**Mayor Paschal** asked the Town Administrator to address Council.

**Ms. Ward** asked Council, “What do y’all think about this? Do you think it’s a good idea?”

**Mayor Paschal** said he thought the Town has already signed an Agreement with Duke Energy. **Ms. Ward** explained that the Town signed an Agreement with Duke Power several years ago, but said that Duke Energy has changed some of their rules concerning leasing the poles for banners and such, and that a new lease agreement must be signed.

**Ms. Ward** said, “Mr. Davis Montgomery of Duke Energy told me that if I would call, they would send an engineer out to ride the highway and we could show him where we wanted the poles. He said the banners have to be so many feet off the ground. So, we called and they sent out a former employee who contracts with Duke Energy. Yvonne and I rode all up and down NC 87/65, and he would get out and measure each pole that we pointed out to him. They make a list and have to keep record of exactly which poles we hang the banners on.”

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“After looking at the budget,” **Ms. Ward** said, “we think we can afford approximately 20 banners this year, spacing them up and down, and we thought it would be nice to get them up before the Christmas Parade.”

“Maybe we could get some more in another budget year...once you get the brackets up, that’s the hard part. Yvonne has talked with Shining Light Electrical and they have agreed to get the brackets up for around \$1500 but that’s approximate.”

**Ms. Ward** said that after she and Ms. Russell made the ride with the gentleman from Duke Energy, he came back to the office...“I left to go to the Manager’s Lunch...and he told Yvonne that he would send us an invoice. She was surprised and I guess he noticed the look on her face, so he explained that he was under contract with Duke Energy, and that he did not know that it would take as long as it did. He said he charges \$65/hour.”

**Ms. Ward** said she plans to email Davis Montgomery and let him know she was under the impression that this was a courtesy call, as no one mentioned any charges until after the fact. “After all,” she said, “we were out there with him, so he should knock off something for our time.”

“Although we don’t have the agreement yet, because they want to have our list completed first, we would like your approval to go ahead and order the banners and brackets. The Agreement may be something that I can sign, because there is no money involved as far as the lease is concerned.”

**Ms. Russell** commented, “You can only put the banners on certain poles...the bottom of the banners have to be 15 feet from the ground...the banners are either 3 x 5 or 4 x 5’.”

**Council members** asked about the banners—how they hang, vertically or horizontally, and if they are seasonal...

**Ms. Ward** replied, “The ones we are looking at have a snowflake, I believe, and would take us through February at least. Eventually, we can get some different ones, but for the Christmas season, the winter season, we thought the snowflakes would be nice.”

**Mayor Paschal** asked if there were any more questions. There were none.

**Mayor Paschal** made a motion, *“That we approve the Lease Agreement with Duke Energy for use of poles to display banners and flags, and the purchase of the banners.”*

**Councilwoman Powell** seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

**Article VII. NEW BUSINESS – Continued**

**D. Update on Town Hall Project (Jeff Johnson, AWCK, Inc.)**

- **Location of “Town Hall” Sign**
- **Lighting Around New Town Hall**

**Mayor Paschal** invited **Jeff Johnson** with Alley, Williams, Carmen & King, Inc. to address Council.

**Mr. Johnson** said, “I’m sure I don’t have to tell you a whole lot about what’s going on down there, because as you can see for yourself, it’s pretty obvious. We have lost a few days in the last 3 to 4 weeks, weather related, rain or wind. They didn’t feel comfortable swinging trusses around in all that wind.”

**Mr. Johnson** added, “They are making good progress and, to date, I am very pleased with our general contractor and all of his sub-contractors. They have been very conscientious about their work...doing us a good job. They were hoping to finish up the front part of the roof, and as I came by tonight, it looks like they got that done. They will be boxing around the perimeter, around the eaves...windows should be coming in soon and it won’t be long before the brick will be going up.”

The **Town Clerk** reminded Mr. Johnson, “We have asked for screens on our windows.” **Mr. Johnson** said, “I haven’t checked that yet.”

In reference to the sign, **Mr. Johnson** said, “I notice that you changed your ordinance for signs, and since we already had an illuminated sign in the contract, I would say the best place to locate that sign is about where those boxwoods are, at what was the front entrance to the house, under the two cedars. Coming from Reidsville, you would see the building first, but then you could see where to turn onto Peach Tree.”

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**Ms. Ward** asked, “So the cedar trees don’t have to come down?”

“I don’t think they do,” replied **Mr. Johnson**.

**Ms. Ward** said that the project manager, **David Southard**, called her and indicated the trees were probably going to have to come down...that the roots may be in the way when they start to dig the footings.

“I think we’ll be okay,” said **Mr. Johnson**, “although they are not in the best shape.”

**Ms. Ward** suggested taking the trees down and then sawing the lumber to make the rotunda in the Council Chambers.

**Mayor Paschal** said, “We can do that when they die.”

**Mr. Johnson** mentioned the lighting around the exterior of the Town Hall, and said, “We do have 12 to 15 pole lights that go around the building and across the front edge of the parking lot. We do not have anything showing on the back side of the parking lot down the driveway that comes off of Peach Tree. Typically, most municipalities we work with, that is something they contract directly with Duke Energy for and they maintain them.”

**Ms. Ward** said that Mr. Southard told her about a subdivision where Duke Energy has installed more decorative type lighting that might look good for the Town Hall. “He says there are going to be some dark areas around there,” **Ms. Ward** said. “He is going to get me the person’s name.”

“I think the back side, just where the driveway is could be a little bit dark, and I think we need to take a look at doing something like that—either extending the pattern that we have, all the way around there or talking to Duke Power about installing lights. It shouldn’t take but two or three of them to light that whole parking lot.”

**Mayor Paschal** asked if anyone had questions for Mr. Johnson. There were no questions and the mayor thanked Mr. Johnson for updating Council on the Town Hall.

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**Article VII. NEW BUSINESS – Continued**

**E. Recognition & Presentation of Awards to “Community Pride Award” Winners**

**Mayor Paschal** noted that Item E under New Business was addressed as the first item of New Business.

**Article VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (No one signed the Speaker Register.)**

**Article IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The Town of Wentworth will host the Rockingham County League of Local Governments Meeting on Monday, November 24<sup>th</sup> at Betsy-Jeff Penn 4-H Center. Social at 6:00 p.m. and Dinner at 6:00 p.m.
- The next regular meeting of the Town of Wentworth Planning Board will be held on Tuesday, November 18, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room at the National Guard Armory.
- The next regular meeting of the Wentworth Town Council will be Held on Tuesday, December 2, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room at the National Guard Armory.

**Mayor Paschal** asked if there were any other announcements.

**Mr. Baggett**, Town Attorney, advised the mayor that he had received a copy of a lease agreement between Dan River Water, Inc. and the Town, regarding lettering for the water tank. **Mr. Baggett** said he knew Council had approved the design, but he was unclear as to whether or not Council was aware of the \$2500 fee for the lettering.

The **Town Clerk** advised that Council did approve an amount up to \$2500 for the lettering, but said she, “...did not know about an agreement until last week when Mike Lemons of Dan River Water, called to say they were having it done and would send it for us to take a look.”

**Mr. Baggett** said, “Well, here is the agreement. I have it and it is okay. Now, it does say that Dan River Water and the Town would agree on the design of the lettering, but I think that has been done.”

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**Mayor Paschal** said, "That has been done and the amount of money was approved. Do we need to make that example (lettering) a part of this agreement?"

"I don't think so," **Mr. Baggett** replied, "based on the level of agreement ya'll have had and it's in your Minutes."

**Ms. Ward** asked, "There is nothing else in the agreement that we should be concerned about, though?"

**Mr. Baggett** replied, "It says that the lettering will remain up there until Dan River decides that the tower needs to be painted. They don't make any promises about that, but usually it is on a seven-year cycle. At that time, we can continue to have our name on the Tower, but would have to pay the cost at that time to have it repainted. It seems reasonable to me. I can just leave it with you. It calls for the mayor's signature."

**Article X. A D J O U R N**

**Mayor Paschal** made a motion, "That the meeting be adjourned."

**Councilman Belcher** seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

**Respectfully Submitted By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Brenda Ward, Town Clerk**

**Approved By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Dennis Paschal, Mayor**