

**CITY OF LAURINBURG
RECONVENED COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 19, 2015
SOUTH FIRE STATION
547 HICKORY ST.
LAURINBURG, NC
5:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Laurinburg reconvened its March 17, 2015 meeting on March 19, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the main room of the South Fire Station with the Honorable Thomas W. Parker III, Mayor, presiding. The following Councilmembers were present: Mary Jo Adams, Dolores A. Hammond, Curtis B. Leak, Andrew G. Williamson, Jr. and J. D. Willis.

Also present were: Charles D. Nichols III, City Manager, and Jennifer A. Tippet, City Clerk.

Present from the Scotland County Fire Commission were: Mac McDougald, Bob Davis, Henry McLeod, Neil McRae, Donald Edge, Chris Locklear, Randy Gibson, Thomas McKay, Clyde Locklear, Bill Norton and Roylin Hammond.

Present from the Scotland County Board of Commissioners were Commission Chair Guy McCook and Commissioners Carol McCall and Whit Gibson. Also present were Kevin Patterson, County Manager, and Ann Kurtzman, Clerk to the Board.

Mayor Parker called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

The Invocation was given by Councilmember Williamson.

SCOTLAND COUNTY FIRE COMMISSION

Mr. Mac McDougald, President of the Scotland County Fire Commission discussed the Fire Commission's plans for utilizing the three cents (3¢) increase of the County Fire Tax as follows:

- replacing fire apparatus and equipment
- constructing a substation behind the City's water tank on McColl Road
- vehicle replacement rotation and replacing fire vehicles with pumper/tankers, not pumper trucks
- increase by \$10,000.00 annual payment to each Fire District

Fire Chief Randy Gibson discussed the difference between a custom chassis and commercial chassis on fire vehicles, as well as the difference between a pumper truck and a pumper/tanker truck.

Upon question by County Commission Chair McCook, Chief Gibson explained that a custom chassis truck can cost up to \$750,000.00, and the Fire Commission was proposing purchasing a

custom chassis truck for \$489,000.00. He added that a commercial chassis truck costs approximately \$300,000.00.

Upon question by Councilmember Hammond, Chief Gibson explained that because the County truck currently housed in the North Fire Station would be moved to the substation and the equipment would remain on the County truck, equipment at a cost of \$125,000.00 would also need to be purchased for the new truck.

Attendees were invited to go into the bays to view the different trucks and to ask questions of Fire Department personnel.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Willis, seconded by Councilmember Williamson, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Thomas W. Parker III, Mayor

Jennifer A. Tippett, City Clerk