TOWN OF CHARLOTTE COURT HOUSE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Tuesday January 20, 2015 7:30pm

A regular meeting of the Charlotte Court House Town Council was held on Tuesday, January 20, 2015, at 7:30 pm. Mayor Walker called the meeting to order and welcomed the new council members. Council Members Watkins, Andrews, Jones, Haskins, O'Neill and Kurdt were present. Council Member Jones motioned that the agenda be approved as presented. The motion was seconded and carried by voice vote: 6 ayes and 0 nays. Council Member Haskins motioned that the November 2014 and December 2014 regular council meeting minutes be approved. The motion was seconded and carried by voice vote: 6 ayes and 0 nays. Council Member Andrews motioned to approve the financial report. The motion was seconded and carried by voice vote: 6 ayes and 0 nays.

Citizen Comment Period None

Election of 2015-2018 Vice-Mayor Mayor Walker opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Mayor. Council Member Andrews made a motion to nominate Council Member Watkins for another term. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kurdt and carried by voice vote: 6 ayes and 0 nays.

Acceptance of Committee Assignments Mayor Walker stated that each council member needed to select the committees they would like to serve on for the 2015-2018 term. He stated that all council members would be serving on the financial committee as well as at least 3 other committees. Following the selection of committee seats by council members, Mayor Walker requested that each committee meet prior to the next meeting to select committee chairs. He also stated that he would like each committee to meet at least bi-monthly.

Reappointment of Town Clerk/Treasurer Mayor Walker reported that the state investigation of the former clerk was ongoing and that the clerk had been placed on administrative leave without pay pending the outcome of that investigation. A motion was made by Council Member Watkins to reappoint Karen Price as interim Clerk/Treasurer for the Town. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jones and carried by voice vote: 6 ayes and 0 nays.

Resolutions for Former Council Members Mayor Walker presented a resolution for former Council Member J. Wayland Dunn honoring his service to the Town. Council Member Jones motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Andrews and carried by voice vote: 6 ayes and 0 nays.

Board of Zoning Appeals Appointments Mayor Walker reported the need to appoint three new members to the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA): Stephanie Atwood (for a 1 year term), Shirley Ingram (for a 4 year term) and Necia O'Neill (for a 5 year term). Council Member O'Neill motioned to appoint the candidates as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Watkins and carried by voice vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays.

Committee Reports <u>Grounds, Streets & Lights</u> – Council Member Andrews reported that she has received positive comments regarding the maintenance work provided by Page Hardy. She stated that the Tree Lighting Service was very nice. She also reported that the Christmas decorations have been taken down and put in storage and stated that four wreaths were missing. Discussion followed regarding whether or not to remove the lights from the tree, and by consensus they will be left on the tree.

Water/Maintenance Report Curtis Inge reported the following: There are ongoing problems with the SCADA radio system; a water leak at Evergreen & Gold Leaf Dr. was repaired; a fire hydrant on Statesman Dr. needs to be repaired, Ferguson has been contacted; Anderson repaired the sump pump at Arcadia; the ballast was replaced in the Town Office hallway light fixture; parking lot lights are not working and he is trying to find the cause.

Clerk's Report Karen Price reported that a business license was issued to The Batter's Box. She stated that Town taxes should be ready to mail by the end of January.

Council Comment Period Council Member Jones thanked Curtis Inge for his hard work and dedication to resolving the water system problems.

Council Member O'Neill asked if the Town Council has any involvement with the court house issue. Mayor Walker stated that the Town's only involvement concerns the possible need to relocate the water tower.

With no further business, Council Member Watkins motioned that the meeting adjourn. The motion was seconded and carried by voice vote: 6 ayes and 0 nays.

Stephen D. Walker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen K. Price, (Interim) Clerk of Council