

**Minutes
Kinston City Council
Monday, March 6, 2017 at 5:30 pm**

Mayor BJ Murphy called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm.

Councilmember Sammy Aiken led the prayer followed by the Pledge of Alliegiance.

Those present: Councilmembers Sammy Aiken, Wynn Whittington, Joseph Tyson, Mayor Pro Tem Robert Swinson and Mayor BJ Murphy

Those absent: Councilmember Solomon (Arrived at 5:38 pm)

Also present: Tony Sears, City Manager and James Cauley, City Attorney

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Swinson made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Tyson and upon a unanimous vote the agenda was adopted.

CITIZEN COMMENT

Tyshun Wilson, 409 Mitchell Street, expressed his desire to start a program against drug and gang violence. He is seeking support to spearhead Church in the Street and requested permission to utilize various parks for ministry. He plans to have various artists from the community to share their life experiences to cover staying in school, crisis intervention and prevention, coping with daily struggles and anger management. The goal is to reduce the violence, drug and gang activity by building relationships of trust, love and respect. The group would meet at the park on select Sundays from 4 pm to 7 pm.

Mayor Murphy stated Mr. Wilson has the blessing of the City Council and suggested he speak to Galen Treble, Parks and Recreation Superintendent, to cover the administrative portion and to coordinate the events for scheduling.

Councilmember Solomon arrived at 5:38 pm.

Tiffani Koonce, 3200 Carey Road, Apt 24E, expressed her concern for her friend who was introduced as a new Planning employee but was not hired. She feels the citizens deserve an explanation.

Councilmember Tyson confirmed with the City Attorney that according to State statues, City Council would not be allowed to discuss a personnel issue in an open forum.

MINUTES

- 1. Consider approval of the minutes of the regular Kinston City Council meeting held on Monday, February 20, 2017.....Monique Hicks**

Mayor Pro Tem Swinson made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Whittington and upon a unanimous vote the minutes were approved.

PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

- 1. FBI Community Leadership Award.....Stacy Ward, NCFBI**

Stacy Ward, Community Outreach Specialist with the Federal Bureau of Investigations in North Carolina, stated earlier today Christopher Suggs was recognized and was the FBI's 2016 Director's Community Leadership Award recipient for his accomplishments in the community. Only one award is given per state per year. She presented Mr. Suggs with a certificate of accomplishment and extended an invitation to him to go to Washington, DC to meet Director Comey and receive the actual award.

Chris Suggs, Kinston Teens, thanked Kinston Teens, his family, and the community for their support and partnership.

- 2. Lions Host Club Rock N Walk-A-Thon.....Sharon Axelberg**

Sharon Axelberg, President of Kinston Host Lions Club, stated the original event was scheduled for November 5, but with Hurricane Matthew it was rescheduled. Kinston Host Lions Club along with International Lions is doing events to raise awareness for diabetes. She has been living with Type 1 diabetes for 35 years. The Rock N Walk-A-Thon will be on March 25th at the Woodmen Community Center from 8:30 to 11:30. There is a \$5 registration fee.

Avery Taylor, age 14, stated she was diagnosed with diabetes in 2015. She lives an active life and has struggled, but is determined. This fundraiser is to raise awareness, raise money for those who need diabetes supplies and for scholarships for Camp Needles in the Pines.

Mayor Murphy read and presented the proclamation.

- 3. St. Baldrick's Day.....David Ricke**

David Ricke stated that on March 28th they will host their 7th annual St. Baldrick's event at East Coast Wings and Grill from 5:00 to 9:00. This is an organization that raises money for childhood cancer research. He gave a brief history of St. Baldrick's and the tradition of raising money by having heads shaved. Last year locally we raised over \$27,000 and \$40 million nationally. More information is available by calling 252.643.2020 or www.stbaldricks.org.

4. Introduction of Police Department Intern.....Alonzo Jaynes

Alonzo Jaynes, Police Chief, stated recently we revamped our internship program and we have partnered with North Carolina Central University (NCCU). He introduced Andre Charrington who is a senior at NCCU and a Criminal Justice major. He has been a tremendous help to the Police Department as well as with community events. The hope is by exposing interns to this wonderful profession that we can inspire them to apply in the future.

Mr. Charrington stated he would like to do something in forensic science and homeland security.

**5. FY 2016 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.....Elsa Watts
Martin Starnes & Associates**

Andrea Thompson, Senior Accounting Manager, introduced Elsa Watts to present the 2016 audit financial statement.

Elsa Watts, Martin Starnes and Associates, stated the City received an unmodified opinion on the financial statements and the compliance report, and this is a clean audit opinion. For the General Fund, revenues over expenditures showed a decrease for an increase of \$918,646 towards fund balance. The Local Government Commission (LGC) defines fund balance as total fund balance less any non-spendable items, less items restricted by State statutes and they use this information to compare the City to other units of government. Fund balance was increased by \$917,098. There was a decrease of approximately 2% for property taxes and an increase in other taxes of approximately 4%. Sales and Services had an approximate 2% increase. Public Safety expenditures had a decrease in expenditures of approximately 2%. Parks and Recreation had an increase of approximately 6% in expenditures. In General Government, expenditures had a decrease of approximately 9% due to capital outlay, equipment, building improvements and repairs and maintenance. For Other Governmental Funds, a net fund balance of \$584,680. In the Electric, Water and Wastewater funds, all had unrestricted net positions. Other Enterprise Funds and Internal Service Funds both had unrestricted net position.

Mayor Murphy asked when was the last tax rate increase or decrease? Tony Sears, City Manager, stated around 9 years ago. Mayor Murphy pointed out there were material weaknesses identified in the report and confirmed that they have been addressed with staff.

ACTION AGENDA

1. Consider adoption of a Resolution authorizing an installment financing contract with BB&TAndrea Thompson

Andrea Thompson, Senior Accounting Manager, stated we are asking City Council to consider adoption of a Resolution authorizing an installment contract with BB&T. This contract will restore our cash reserve which was used to purchase various vehicles and equipment.

Mayor Pro Tem Swinson introduced the following Resolution:

06-2017

RESOLUTION
TO APPROVE AN INSTALLMENT PURCHASE CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the City of Kinston, a body politic and corporate duly organized and existing as a political subdivision, municipal corporation or similar public entity of the State of North Carolina is authorized by the laws of the State of North Carolina to purchase and acquire certain equipment and other property for the benefit of the City and its inhabitants and to enter into contracts with respect thereto; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City has determined that a true and very real need exists for the acquisition, purchase and financing of certain property consisting of public services vehicles and equipment and public safety vehicles and equipment on the terms herein provided; and

WHEREAS, request for proposals were received from thirteen financial institutions; and

WHEREAS, bids have been received and evaluated to determine the lowest total cost to the City during the fifty-nine (59) month contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Kinston that:

1. The City of Kinston proposes to enter into installment financing for the following vehicles and equipment:

Genl Fund -Streets	2007 ASPHALT ROLLER
Genl Fund -Rec-Parks	1993 FORD F250 SERVICE TRUCK
Genl Fund -Rec-Parks	1995 TORO UTILITY VEHICLE
Genl Fund -Police	2003 FORD CROWN VICTORIA
Genl Fund -Police	2003 FORD CROWN VICTORIA
Genl Fund -Police	2005 TAURUS
Genl Fund -Police	2005 CHEVY IMPALA
Genl Fund -Police	2003 DODGE DURANGO
Genl Fund -Police	2001 GMC 2500
Genl Fund -Fire	1995 FORD PICKUP
Genl Fund -Fire	SUV/TRUCK VEHICLE
Environ. Svcs Fund	2002 AUTOMATED SIDE LOADER
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2. After consideration, the governing body has determined that the most advantageous manner of financing thereof is by an installment contract pursuant to Section 160A-20 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.
3. Pursuant to said Section 160A-20, the City of Kinston is authorized to finance this Project by installment contract that creates a security interest in the property financed to secure repayment of the financing.
4. BB&T have proposed that they finance the equipment pursuant to an Installment Purchase Contract between the City and BB&T.
5. The governing body hereby authorizes and directs the Director of Finance to execute, acknowledge and deliver the Contract on behalf of the City in such form and substance as the person executing and delivering such instruments on behalf of the City shall find acceptable. The Clerk is hereby authorized to affix the official seal of the City of Kinston to the Contract.

6. The proper officers of the City are authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all papers, instruments, opinions, certificates, affidavits and other documents and to do or cause to be done any and all other acts and things necessary or proper for carrying out this Resolution and the Contract.
7. Notwithstanding any provision of the Contract, no deficiency judgment may be rendered against the City in any action for breach of a contractual obligation under the Contract and the taxing power of the City is not and may not be pledged directly or indirectly to secure any moneys due under the Contract, the security provided under the Contract being the sole security for BB&T in such instance.
8. The City covenants that, to the extent permitted by the Constitution and laws of the State of North Carolina, it will comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") as required so that interest on the City's obligations under the Contract will not be included in the gross income of BB&T.
9. The City hereby represents that it reasonably expects that all subordinate entities thereof and all entities issuing obligations on behalf of the City will issue in the aggregate an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000.00 of tax exempt obligations (not counting private-activity bonds except for qualified 501(c)(3) bonds as defined in the Code) during calendar year 2017. The City hereby designates the Contract and its obligations under the Contract as a "bank-qualified tax-exempt obligation" for the purpose of the Code.

Councilmember Tyson made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Whittington and upon a unanimous vote the Resolution was adopted.

2. Consider approval of a Change Order for Cajenn Construction for unanticipated costs encountered during Phase I of the Queen Street Sewer Rehabilitation Project
.....**Steve Miller**

Steve Miller, Assistant Public Services Director, stated the overall project for sewer work on Queen Street from Airport Road to Spring Hill was \$7 million. The contract was broken into two phases. Phase I was awarded to Cajenn Construction for \$3.5 million last February. There has only been one change order and that was to add work on Peyton Avenue. It was part of the original bid, and we took it out to get the award with State Revolving Fund (SRF) and as things went well, we put it back in the contract. Before Christmas, Cajenn was working near the railroad track and they had to bore under the railroad tracks and they hit concrete. They found that the pipe is encased in concrete under the railroad tracks. It is an issue because they cannot pipe burst because it is impossible with the concrete. They found the encasement in other locations south of the railroad track. The other problem is when businesses have to be connected for new service, there is no way to do a regular service connection because the concrete is bonded to the pipe, and it is going to break up. Instead of doing pipe bursting, we are going to do pipe lining which is a little easier. The other issue is that with the lining, in specific areas where the interior encasement has fallen apart, they will have to be dug up and replace the pipe. There will be extra point repair cost for doing that type of work. Fortunately, there have been other areas in the project where we have saved money, so we are looking at approximately half a million dollars in just this work. The amount being requested in change order two is \$334,000

which is less than \$500,000. Most of the contingency for Cajenn is still available. Once the contingency is taken into consideration, after change order 2, Phase I project will be \$223,000 in the red. SRF is very willing to move money around and to loan us extra money. Staff proposes for Queen Street to not exceed the total cost. We propose to shift money from Phase II to Phase I to cover the overrun for Phase I, then look at Phase II. Phase II has been bid three times. The available funds for that project was \$2.1 million, plus the contingency that the SRF requires. The last bid was \$3.8 million instead of the \$2.7 for the initial bid. Funding agencies have indicated that price increases are being seen across the state because of the volume of work that is available. We looked at combining Phase I and II, but for reasons in the General Statutes, we cannot. We have started negotiating with TA Loving.

Mayor Murphy asked what is Phase II? Mr. Miller stated Phase II is about \$2.5 million and Phase I was \$4.5 million. Phase II involves the work on Queen Street from Capitola to Airport Road and three blocks on Queen Street between Gordon to Bright Street. Mr. Sears added that Phase II will have to be redefined due to cost.

Mr. Miller stated our ideal project for Phase II was to replace all of the old pipe. Now, we are identifying specific areas and where we can see evidence of a pipe issue, we will do a fix of the specific issue instead of replacing all of the pipe. The prime concern is getting everything done downtown. We have the funds to complete three blocks downtown and do point repairs in areas north of Capitola. There will be enough money in Phase II to cover the overruns in Phase I.

Councilmember Aiken asked how many roads will be blocked and asked about NCDOT repaving the Queen Street. Mr. Miller stated Cajenn will have to do the pipe in the middle of the road on Queen and will require digging at the manhole and at service connections. The street will be blocked, yet the lining process will be a little quicker. It will take time to make the connections to the encased pipes. Mr. Sears stated that NCDOT plans to repave next Spring. Mayor Murphy confirmed paving would be from the bridge to Cunningham Road.

Councilmember Tyson asked if money could be borrowed to complete the project. Mr. Sears stated it could, but it would limit the city's borrowing for other projects.

Mayor Murphy asked when is the project expected to be complete. Will it be done by the Festival on the Neuse? Mr. Miller stated for Phase I, they have been scheduled to complete next month, but it is going to take a little longer. The contractor is waiting for this approval before they can have their people to start the lining work. The project will probably not be complete by the festival. In the direction they are moving, they may be close to King Street and they may be able to be below King Street by that time, either way we can make arrangements for traffic considerations during the festival if we need to, we just have to let them know ahead of time.

Mayor Murphy asked when the modified Phase II will be complete. Mr. Miller stated Phase II has to be negotiated with TA Loving, then it has to be awarded by City Council, then approved by SRF and construction could begin around July or August at the earliest.

Mayor Murphy confirmed that the project will not be delayed due to NCDOT not paving until Spring. Mr. Miller stated if we go with this plan, we will only have the three solid blocks downtown and the point repairs north. They should be out of downtown within two months once they get started.

Councilmember Solomon asked about the water line replacement project. Mr. Miller stated the water line project has been a separate project being done by staff and is being done in six phases. Right now they are replacing all of the water mains that are within the street. They have to work from the railroad tracks north and out towards the airport. They have done 30-40% of the work.

Rhonda Barwick, Public Services Director, stated it is a completely separate project and it moves along with its own financial capability each year. Additionally, we have a lot of needs in the sewer fund. Most of the problems that we have had have been in the Queen Street area and for Phase II we will use a camera to find out what areas need to be addressed and complete those. We would like to reserve our debt capacity of some of the other sewer issues that we have.

Mr. Sears added that we have no guarantees that the new lines being replaced won't have problems at some time. As we fix the majority of the problems that exist, we dramatically decrease the likelihood. We can borrow more money from SRF, but it will come with a sewer rate increase. We cannot borrow more money and not increase our revenue by increasing the sewer rate to offset the expenditure [loan repayment].

Mr. Miller stated he is asking for approval of the change order with Cajenn Construction to keep the contractor moving to get the work done downtown. We will come back with budget amendments to reflect the changes.

Mayor Pro Tem Swinson made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Solomon and upon a unanimous vote the change order was approved.

3. Consider setting a public hearing date of April 3, 2017 for the Arts and Cultural District Overlay (ACDO) expansionAdam Short

Adam Short, Planning Director, stated we want to set a public hearing to expand the Arts and Cultural overlay district. When the district was initially done, the Glen Raven Mills parcel was not included at the owner's request. Now that the city owns the parcel, we would like to include it. We received a request today from Pendergraph, so we also would also like to add a public hearing for a multi-family dwelling on Doctors Drive.

Councilmember Aiken asked if including the property in the Arts and Cultural district restrict its future usages. Mr. Short stated it would actually give it more options with the property.

Councilmember Whittington made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Solomon and upon a unanimous vote both public hearings were scheduled for April 3rd.

4. Consider approval of a Contract and Scope of Services to Stewart Design for Queen Street Enhancements.....Adam Short

Adam Short, Planning Director, stated we have met with Stewart Development who designed the Riverwalk project. We have talked to them about preliminary designs for the aesthetics for improvements on Queen Street. They proposed the design fee of \$8,250 and the bulk of the project would be in master planning and renderings for \$15,500, totaling \$23,750. This is looking at some of the amenities as part of the Queen Street project in an itemized list.

Tony Sears, City Manager, stated this is going to give the answers to some of questions about costs for certain amenities to have a full master plan. The project will be \$1million plus. This is a complete project including NCDOT, smART Kinston, the Arts Council and an itemization of phases and costs.

Councilmember Tyson stated he has attended meetings to discuss South Queen Street. Are they going to look at the other existing plans? Will they have one to three courses of action so we can get what citizens want? I would like a plan to cover all of Queen Street, not just eight blocks.

Mr. Sears stated that Stewart will work with other groups to merge the ideas together and figure out what needs to be done and what we want to do. We are happy to go back to Stewart to cover more of Queen Street, but there will be an increase for the project cost if that happens.

Mr. Short stated in the initial design that Holland Planning did, they had a defined area from the Arts Council to the Music Park. With changing the traffic pattern, it lends itself naturally to gradually merging from four lanes into two lanes after crossing Vernon.

Councilmember Solomon confirmed that there are plans that were done that do not include the costs. Mr. Short stated there are and they are very preliminary. Stewart will have to go through a level of design to get to the cost portion. Mr. Sears stated the other conception plans could be used but someone has to be paid to come up with the engineering drawings so the work can be bid and built.

Councilmember Tyson stated his personal priority would be to install the electric wiring on South Queen Street. If we can afford that, then he will agree to spend the money on the design.

Mr. Sears stated we have the \$96,000 that the legislature committed to communities and we can install electric outlet on South Queen Street. The other option is to install wi-fi in Pearson Park. Also in the contract we would ask them to look at city-owned parking lots and the entrance way into Kinston.

Councilmember Tyson asked where the \$23,000 will come from. Mr. Sears stated fund balance.

Mayor Pro Tem Swinson made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Whittington and the motion **FAILED** by majority with **Councilmembers Aiken, Tyson and Solomon voting no**, and the contract was NOT approved. *(A second vote was taken on this item.)*

Councilmember Solomon added she would like for staff to at least look at the existing plans to be fiscally responsible. Mr. Short stated staff will be happy to do that. Stewart suggested that we not reproduced effort, yet we could build off of those plans. Staff is approached by schools to do these projects. It creates community confusion, its redoing the same project multiple times and they don't offer anything concrete. Stewart can provide us something that we can build.

Mr. Sears stated we will forward the plans to City Council. Councilmember Whittington stated someone professional needs to look at the plans. Councilmember Solomon stated we are not losing anything by looking at what we already have. Councilmember Whittington stated he understands City Council review, but what firm [with the expertise] is going to review the plans from UNC and NC State. Councilmember Solomon stated that is when the Planning Director and the team [city staff] come together. Stewart would do what has already been done, yet it may be a possibility that the \$23,000 can be reduced.

Councilmember Tyson stated he agrees about professionals to review the plans and the timeline. We have been talking about lighting on South Queen Street for years. If we put electrical on South Queen Street, I will support the Stewart Engineering request.

Councilmember Whittington stated he is on board with using the money to put electrical on South Queen Street, but he does not want to spend the money for wi-fi at Pearson Park.

5. \$96,000 from NC Legislature.....Tony Sears

Tony Sears, City Manager, stated that last year the North Carolina Legislature selected several cities and gave them \$96,000 for downtown development. We tried another project, but it did not work. I sent an email to City Council with two options, installing electrical outlets on South Queen Street or installing wi-fi at Pearson Park.

Councilmember Tyson made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Whittington and upon a unanimous vote the Council approved installing electrical outlets on South Queen Street.

James Cauley, City Attorney, advised City Council that the previous vote to deny the contract for Stewart would have to be reconsidered before a new vote could be taken on the item.

6. RECONSIDER approval of a Contract and Scope of Services to Stewart Design for Queen Street Enhancements.....Adam Short

Councilmember Tyson made the motion to reconsider the previous vote to deny the contract with Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Whittington who also confirmed that it would include Stewart's review of the existing plans, and upon a unanimous vote the previous vote was reconsidered.

Councilmember Tyson made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Aiken and upon a unanimous vote the City Council approved hiring Stewart for the design and engineering work for Queen Street beyond the eight blocks.

INFORMATION AND UPDATES

1. Review Ordinance Draft and consider date for a public hearing.....Marcia Perritt

Marcia Perritt, UNC Planner, stated at the last City Council meeting, the exploration of the Landmark Status program was presented. A draft ordinance has been included for City Council review for a local landmark status program. It reflects the criteria and the geographic limitation to the first row out of the landmark status program which is to the downtown Municipal Service District. We would like to set a public hearing date to allow public comments on the draft ordinance which is a very similar process to a zoning ordinance amendment.

Councilmember Whittington made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Tyson and upon a unanimous vote the public hearing was set for Monday, April 3rd.

2. Update on SRF Loans/State Reserve Grant Spring Funding Cycle.....Steve Miller

Steve Miller, Assistant Public Services Director, stated in September we applied for SRF and Reserve Funding for Phase V of the Briery Run Sewer Rehabilitation project. The project amount was \$1.3 million. We also submitted an application to the SRF, the Reserve and CDBG for the Lawrence Heights Sewer Replacement project which cost \$3.3 million. Both were awarded for loans only. We would not receive any forgiveness or any of the reserve grants or any CDBG funds. We will return with an official recommendation, we are not inclined to accept just the loan for Lawrence Heights. Our issue with CDBG was regarding the method we used for determining the low to moderate income ratio for that neighborhood. We feel the neighborhood will easily qualify, but it will require a door to door survey which is the only method that CDBG will accept. We have had so many issues on the Briery Run Outfall line including sink holes and

complete voids. We recommend moving forward with that project even though there is only 0% loan funding. The April cycle includes the second round of the bond funding. The wastewater portion of the Clean Water Reserve fund will include \$31 million in loans and \$6.5 million in grants. The Clean Water SRF will have \$80 million in loan funding, \$1.5 million in forgiveness for the entire state. The Drinking Water Reserve will have a funding cycle and they have \$35 million in loans and \$18 million in grants. There are no CDBG or Drinking Water SRF funding in the spring cycle. The next cycle for those funds will be in September. We are not going to recommend applying for any projects in this spring cycle because grants and forgiveness funds continue to dwindle and we don't feel like we have a significant chance. We will prepare to submit Lawrence Heights in September. That project has fairly high needs considering the condition of the system and stands a good chance of receiving CDBG funds. We are currently working on an Asset Management Grant that we received in September for our wastewater system, and they offer that for drinking water as well. We can receive up to \$150,000, and our match would be 5-10%. The deadline is April 28th. Unfortunately the news on grant forgiveness is that they are getting smaller and smaller.

Mayor Murphy asked how the door to door survey will work for Lawrence Heights. Mr. Miller stated there is a preset survey form created by CDBG that we would give to each owner or occupant or we can sit down with them. We are thinking about having a public meeting event and invite the neighborhood. They can complete it on their own or we can assist. We will go door to door to fill in the gaps.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

Renaming the Kinston Regional Water Reclamation Facility to the Johnnie Mosley Regional Water Reclamation Facility.....Councilmember Sammy Aiken

Councilmember Aiken stated at the last meeting, he mentioned renaming the Kinston Regional Water Reclamation Facility. In 1999 after Hurricane Floyd, Peachtree Wastewater Treatment Plan was closed and former Mayor Mosley worked to get \$44 million in funding for the expansion of the current plant on Becton Farm Road.

Councilmember Aiken made the motion to rename the Kinston Regional Water Reclamation Facility to the Johnnie Mosley Regional Water Reclamation Facility and to have a new sign made naming it as such.

Councilmember Tyson asked if there needs to be a ceremony to remove the name from the building since the entire plant will be named after the former mayor.

Councilmember Aiken stated he prefers to leave the name on the building and a new sign on Tower Hill Road without any ceremony.

Tony Sears, City Manager, stated he has confirmed that there are no restrictions on the naming of the facility due to it being built with federal funds.

Councilmember Tyson stated he has no problem with renaming the facility, he just wants to make sure when we do it, that we do it the right way.

Councilmember Solomon seconded the motion and upon a unanimous vote the renaming of the Kinston Water Reclamation Facility was approved.

FEMA UPDATE

Councilmember Whittington stated he spoke to someone who has received a check from FEMA for relocation, and he hopes the same has happened for Mrs. Dawson.

Mayor Murphy stated as of a few days ago there were still 26 people in Lenoir County still living in hotels. There are at least three other counties that have over 100 people still in hotels. We still have to remember all of the people who were affected by Hurricane Matthew.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Swinson made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Aiken and upon a unanimous vote the Kinston City Council meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Monique Hicks, City Clerk