



**Trinity NC City Council Meeting
Minutes
August 20, 2013
7:00 pm
City Hall Annex**

NCGS § 143-318.17 Disruption of official meetings

**A person who willfully interrupts, disturbs, or disrupts an official meeting and who, upon being directed to leave the meeting by the presiding officer, willfully refuses to leave the meeting is guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor.
(1919, c. 655, s 1; 1993, c. 539, s. 1028; 1994, Ex. Sess., c. s. 14 (c).)**

Action may be taken on agenda items and other issues discussed during the meeting

Members present: Mayor, Carlton Boyles; Council members; Chester Ayers, Karen Bridges, Debbie Frazier, Linda Gantt, Tommy Johnson, Barry Lambeth, Ed Lohr, and Kristen Varner.

Others present: City Manager, Debbie Hinson; City Attorney, Bob Wilhoit; Public Works Director, Storm Water Administrator, Rich Baker; Planning and Zoning Director, Julie Maybee; Assistant Finance Officer, Lisa Beam; Assistant City Clerk, Annette de Ruyter; members of the media; and members of the audience.

Mayor Boyles thanked everyone for their cards, phone calls and prayers during his time of recuperation, and expressed his appreciation for the encouraging words shared with him from the residents.

Call to Order (*Mayor Carlton Boyles*)

Mayor Boyles called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

▪ **Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Boyles led the Pledge of Allegiance.

▪ **Invocation**

Council member Lambeth gave the Invocation.

- **Welcome Guests and Visitors**

Mayor Boyles welcomed everyone in attendance at this meeting.

He talked about a discussion that he had prior to the meeting and his feeling about how we are supposed to do the business of the City. I agree with him. Each one of us sitting in a seat for the City of Trinity is here to do the business of the entire City. Not our own individual wants and wishes, not even individuals in our ward. We are supposed to do the business that best fits our entire city and all of our citizens.

A. Review, Amend, and Approve Agenda

Mayor Boyles opened this item to Council to review, amend if necessary and approval of the amended August 20, 2013 Regular Meeting Agenda.

Motion by Council member Johnson to approve the Amended August 20, 2013 Regular Meeting Agenda, seconded by Council member Ayers, and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

B. Closed Session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11. (a) 3 to consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the public body, which privilege is hereby acknowledged.

(Closed Session will be held in Administration Building)

Mayor Boyles opened this item and called for a motion to go into Closed Session as cited pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3).

Motion by Council member Lohr to go into Closed Session, seconded by Council member Frazier, and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

Motion by Council member Lambeth to return to Open Session, seconded by Council member Johnson, and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

C. Action Item Report (City manager)

Manager Hinson commented on two action items from the Pre-Agenda meeting.

Item 1, New Business: ETJ vacancy on the Planning Board.

The Council discussed this item with Ms. Maybee, Planning Director. After discussion concerning the vacancy on this board a *motion was made to table this until after the election and was approved unanimously with a 6-0 vote at the August 13, 2013 Pre-Agenda meeting with Council members Lohr and Varner absent.*

Item 2, Old Business: Moratorium on Sweepstakes /Gaming devices

There was discussion between Attorney Wilhoit, Council members, and staff concerning the expiration date of August 20, 2013 for the current moratorium and the need to extend this moratorium. Because of the pending lawsuits in the state and the uncertainty of the outcome,

Council felt that this moratorium should be extended until year end and reviewed again at that time unless the state takes action on this matter or the pending lawsuits are settled prior to this date. *A motion was made to extend our current moratorium on sweepstakes/gaming devices until the year end. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously with a 6 to 0 vote at the August 13, 2013 Pre-Agenda Meeting with Council members Lohr and Varner absent.*

Since only one (1) person signed up to speak, Mayor Boyles changed the order of the Agenda to allow Public Comments to be heard prior to Closed Session.

Public Comments

Citizens are invited to address the City Council on issues that are not listed on the agenda. Residents may speak on agenda items at the time the issue is discussed by the Council. Speakers should not discuss issues that concern the candidacy of any person seeking public office. Please sign up to speak prior to the meeting; when the Mayor calls your name, please step to the lectern and state your name and address for the record; remarks are limited to 3 minutes/speaker; speakers are encouraged to select a spokesperson if several people plan to make similar points. *(Policy adopted 2/17/04; amended 10/14/08; amended 01/15/13)*

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Kenneth Carico, 4123 Forest Manor Drive- Mr. Carico thanked the Mayor for allowing him to speak. He discussed his feelings concerning the Mayor's article and his decision to run for re-election, his feelings concerning the way the Mayor conducted the meetings, and stated that he wanted the city to move forward and felt we need different leadership. It was his desire to see the Mayor and Council do the democratic thing and do what the people wanted.

He stated "he was here to change the world and it could start here." It was his opinion that politics were being played in Trinity as in Washington and nothing was being done for the people.

Mayor Boyles discussed the article that Mr. Carico referenced in his discussion. He relayed to Mr. Carico the article that was referenced contained the truth and did not contain contradiction. Mayor Boyles explained that the purpose of his article was to level with this family, his own personal well being, and the citizens of Trinity.

Council member Lohr shouted that he is sick of all this mess. Council member Lohr told Mr. Carico that he had attacked him and to shut his mouth and leave. Council member Lohr then directed comments to Council member Varner and told her that he(Mr. Carico) had attacked him and he runs his stupid mouth. Council member Lohr then directed to Council member Varner that her and her family is a circus in here. Deputy Wilson did advise that both Council member Lohr and Mr. Carico could be removed from the meeting.

There was an exchange of words between Council member Lohr, and Mr. Carico concerning the comments made by Mr. Carico. Council member Lohr voiced his disgust with the attacks that he felt were being made by Mr. Carico towards him, his family, and others. As the exchange became more vocal between the two, Deputy Wilson intervened in the conversation and ended the exchange reminding both Mr. Carico and Council member Lohr that this was a Public Meeting and this type of exchange was not permitted in a public venue.

Mayor Boyles apologized if the exchange between Mr. Carico and Council member Lohr was a result of his response to Mr. Carico. He responded, “there was a time when a person had to stand up for what they believe in. He referred to the article that he wrote stating “it was for the citizens of Trinity, this Council, our manager, and the newspaper so that there would not be any misgiving kind of thing, that I would go have a heart operation and nobody know about it. I made a decision and I wrote that article and gave it to our manager to distribute to Council and to all the citizens of Trinity. I do not hide anything and I tell the truth. That is all I need to say.”

I. Standing Report

1. Infrastructure Projects Update ((*Rich Baker, Utilities & Public Works, Director/Randy McNeill, Davis-Martin-Powell & Assoc.*)

A. Phase 4-B Contracts 1 & 2 (Braxton Craven)

Mr. Baker gave an update on the Braxton Craven Project advising Council that Page and Associates are going to mobilize and get the project underway next week. They will begin the clearing process to get this project underway.

Phase 4B-Contract 1 is complete. Staff has mailed out letters to residents in this area and they are hooking up. I was informed today that the elementary school should be online tomorrow. This will allow them to dispose of their pump system.

B. Phase 5 Sewer Extensions

Mr. Allen Hart has given the okay to start the bid process for Phase 5. We hope to have a pre-bid conference by September 12, 2013. We are hoping to get this project going as quickly as possible so that we can meet our deadline for this project.

Mayor Boyles asked Mr. Baker about an update for the Ennis-Flint Sewer Extension.

Mr. McNeill, City Engineer advised Mayor Boyles and Council that since there were other items listed on the Agenda in regards to this project that he would give his report after those items were heard.

II. Consent Agenda

- 2. Approve minutes of the May 14, 2013 City Council Pre-Agenda Meeting
(*Annette de Ruyter, Assistant City Clerk*)**
- 3. Approve minutes of the May 21, 2013 City Council Regular Meeting
(*Annette de Ruyter, Assistant City Clerk*)**
- 4. Approve minutes of the June 11, 2013 City Council Pre-Agenda Meeting
(*Annette deRuyter, Assistant City Clerk*)**
- 5. Approve minutes of the June 18, 2013 City Council Regular Meeting
(*Annette de Ruyter, Assistant City Clerk*)**
- 6. Approve minutes of the July 16, 2013 City Council Regular Meeting
(*Annette deRuyter, Assistant City Clerk*)**

Mayor Boyles opened this item to Council for discussion and or approval collectively or individually with any changes that may be needed.

Motion by Council member Johnson to approve items 2,3,4,5, and 6 as written, seconded by Council member Bridges, and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

III. Public Hearing

Protocol for Public Hearing for Items 7, 8, and 9 as follows:

- a) Staff Presentation**
- b) Applicant Presentation**
- c) Public Comment**
 - i. For the request**
 - ii. Against the request**
 - iii. Other public comments**
- d) Applicant Rebuttal**
- e) Staff Recommendation**
- f) Board Discussion**
- g) Board Decision**

- 7. Special Use Permit #SUP- 17.1.13 by William and Amy Beusse for property located at 3773 Steeplegate Drive, Trinity NC, further identified by Randolph County Parcel Identification #7708831346. (Julie Maybee, Planning Director)**

Mayor Boyles opened this item and reviewed Protocol for Public Hearings. He advised those present that because this was a Special Use Hearing anyone who wished to speak on this item would need to take an oath prior to speaking.

Staff Presentation

Ms. Maybee discussed the Special Use Permit submitted by the Beusse's who reside at 3773 Steeplegate Drive. They are proposing to add an additional electrical service to an outside accessory building that will be used for a bathhouse for the pool. This building is approximately 12 feet from property line.

This property is located in a residential subdivision where other accessory buildings are already located, it is in an R-40 Zoning District, and according to the Future Land Use Plan this use is consistent with that Plan.

Under the City's Ordinance provisions in an R-40 zoning district a Special Use Permit is required. They are seeking a Special Use Permit because they want to have a separate electrical service from the house since there is a 200 amp service already located on the exterior as well as limitations that they have.

At the July 23, 2013 Planning and Zoning Board Meeting this request was recommended for approval by the board contingent upon this being not used for residential purposes. The Homeowners Association is aware of this request and has no problems with the request. The findings of fact are included in your staff report that the Planning Board made and Council may incorporate those if that is your desire. It will be used for residential.

(See Attachment Exhibit 7-1 and Item 8 Exhibit 2)

- a) **Applicant Presentation** :None
- b) **Public Comments** :None
- c) **Applicant Rebuttal** :None
- d) **Staff Recommendation**

Ms. Maybee recommended approval for SUP-17.1.13 and concurred with the Planning Boards finding of fact and conditions of approval.

- e) **Board Discussion:** None
- f) **Board Decision**

Motion by Council member Bridges to accept the Planning Board's recommendation, findings of fact and that the conditions be met, seconded by Council member Lambeth, and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

- 8. **Rezoning Request # RZ-07.1.13 to rezone property located at 7374 NC Highway 62, Trinity further identified by Randolph county Parcel Identification # 7708831346 from R-40 Residential Zoning to Residential Mixed-Urban. This property is also in the Old Town Overlay and is owned by Juanita S. Loflin.**
(Julie Maybee, Planning Director)

Mayor Boyles opened this item to be heard per Public Hearing Protocol.

Staff Presentation

Ms. Maybee advised those present that the property in question was located a 7374 NC Highway 62 and is located in the R-40 zoning district. The property is owned by Juanita Loflin.

Ms. Maybee felt this was an oversight when the city became incorporated because this is a commercial building that is currently zoned R-40. The owners are requesting to rezone this property to RMU (Residential Mixed Urban). This request would be in accordance with the future land use plan.

Appropriate uses in this zoning includes commercial, office, and residential. On July 23, 2013 the Planning Board held a Public Hearing on this request and recommended approval of this request by a 6-0 vote.

Ms. Maybee added the following consistency statement to the presentation:

Rezoning this property to RMU will be consistent with the City of Trinity's Comprehensive Plan and other approved plans and that the rezoning is an existing commercial building from an R-40 Residential District to and RMU Zoning District is in compliance with the Future Land Use Plan.

Council member Ayers asked if everything currently located in this building would fit in this zoning.

Ms. Maybee replied that these would be existing uses in that building. Anything else going into this business will have to comply with the Ordinance provisions in this zoning district. A barber and beauty shop is a permitted use, and the noise is allowed in that zoning district.

a) **Applicant Presentation:** None

b) **Public comment:** None

c) **Applicant Rebuttal :**None

d) **Staff Recommendation**

Ms. Maybee stated that staff recommended approval and that the consistency statement referenced earlier be incorporated.

e) **Board Discussion:** None

f) **Board Decision**

Council member Varner stated this request is consistent with the City of Trinity's Comprehensive Plan and other approved plans and compliant with Future Land Use Plans and based on these findings I would like to make a motion to approve rezoning request RZ-07.1.13 to rezone property located at 7374 NC Highway 62 from R-40 to RMU, seconded by Council member Johnson, and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

As per recommendation and request from the Planning Director the following consistency statement was incorporate into this item:

Rezoning this property to RMU will be consistent with the City of Trinity's Comprehensive Plan and other approved plans and that the rezoning is an existing commercial building from an R-40 Residential District to and RMU Zoning District is in compliance with the Future Land Use Plan.

9. **Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment Request # TA-07.1.13 on behalf of Juanita S. Loflin to amend the City's Zoning Ordinance, Article VII, Section 7-8, and Section 7-15 to allow pet grooming as a "permitted use" in a Residential Mixed-Urban Zoning District. (Julie Maybee, Planning Director)**

Mayor Boyles opened this item to be heard per Public Hearing Protocol.

Staff Presentation

Ms. Maybee stated this text amendment would apply in the Old Town Overlay in the RMU Zoning District that would allow pet grooming as a Permitted Use in the Old Town Overlay District. We have a veterinary clinic that is an allowed use in this zoning district but this use is not allowed. Appropriate uses in this area are commercial, offices, residential. This use would be consistent with the Land Development Plan.

The Planning and Zoning Board held a Public Hearing on July 23, 2013 and did recommend approval for pet grooming only and does not include boarding. The Planning Board also asked that Ms. Maybee come back to them and bring a definition about boarding.

The Planning Board also included the consistency statement (exhibit A) attached, and found that the proposed amendment is consistent with the City of Trinity's Comprehensive Plan and other approved plans and also that it will enable the City to carefully manage growth, and would encourage and facilitate implementation of visions, goals, and policies recommended in the City of Trinity's Land Development Plan and the 21st Century Vision Plan for Old Town..

a) **Applicant Presentation:** None

b) **Public Comment:** None

i) **Speaking for the request:** None

ii) **Speaking against the request:**

Wanda Ashe 5035 Meadowbrook Drive, I am a business owner here in Trinity, my business is Pet Pootique, pet grooming and have been here for three (3) years. I am a tax payer in the city and I have concerns about this rezoning. We are a small community and I have deep concerns. I am a small company and have come a long way since 3 years ago. I have employees and want to see growth in Trinity.

Ms. Ashe stated that she thought that growth in the Old Town district would contribute to new businesses that were different. Another concern was the location of this proposed business. She discussed her location and the large area that she had for parking and walking the dogs. This proposed location has a circle drive that extends around their building and she felt due to the traffic and the lack of space available the dog's safety could be at risk.

She discussed how she felt allowing this change would not conform to her ideas of what Old Town should look like. She felt a library, or book stores would be more appropriate for this particular area and not another groomer in such close proximity to her existing business.

For these reasons she was against this request.

Kathy Ashe 4995 Meadowbrook Dr., I am against the new pet grooming shop. Trinity is a small community and we already have an established pet grooming facility that is paying their taxes. Trinity really does need to grow, but the area locating that they have chosen is not a good area. There is no place to walk the dogs, and the traffic is really bad. I am completely against this request.

Jason Ashe 5030 Meadowbrook Dr., I am against this new pet grooming business. He discussed the location of this business and the fact that this area would have three (3) businesses with a lot of volume coming through this area. He felt that we need to embrace the businesses we already have now. If we allow two dog groomers within 300 feet, I feel it will create friction. We need to try to promote business in Trinity.

c) **Applicant Rebuttal:** None

d) Staff Recommendation

Ms. Maybee wanted to clarify that the Planning Board recommended approval of the text amendment to allow pet grooming in the Old Town RMU Overlay. Staff recommends approval and incorporation of the consistency statement into the motion if this request is approved by Council.

It should be noted that this would be a Permitted Use on any land zoned RMU in the Old Town Overlay and is not tied to a specific piece of property.

e) Board Discussion

Mayor Boyles discussed the specifics noted in the staff report that this use was specific to pet grooming only and asked that Council make note of this.

Council member Varner discussed her concern that the Planning Board only added this use to the Old Town RMU Overlay. We are making a category and not allowing it anywhere else in the City.

Ms. Maybee stated that this text amendment was for the specific application that was submitted.

Council member Varner asked if the City was allowing this use to be added to for other districts. It was her feeling that this use should be allowed in Highway Commercial and other districts as well. The Pet Pootique is located in the Highway Commercial District and if we do this it would actually say that this business is not allowed to do what they currently are doing. She asked if this was correct.

Ms. Maybee stated that she felt the Ordinance needed to address this point.

Council member Frazier asked if Ms. Maybee would be presenting that proposal to the Council at another time.

Ms. Maybee and Attorney Wilhoit discussed the process necessary to bring this change forward which included advertisement of a Public Hearing and holding a Public Hearing at both the Planning Board and Council meetings.

Council member Frazier asked if this specific request was for the RMU Overlay District. Ms. Maybee answered yes.

Council member Ayers discussed Council member Varner's concerns and asked if the City allowed this use in that particular area did this amendment disallow the current business to operate at their current location.

Council member Varner stated she thought this technically disallows any new businesses of this type in other areas, and would make the Pet Pootique a non conforming use. This will need to come back to the boards to add this use in other areas and eliminate nonconformities.

Council member Ayers asked if there were any reasons other than the nonconformity issues that will be addressed and the desire of the persons who spoke against the request, not to allow this business in the requested area. Why would we change it?

Council member Frazier discussed the request presented for consideration which was the text amendment for an allowed use in this district. She stated “the Council has no right to determine how many businesses there are. We can’t control a competition in any field. There is no disrespect intended and I understand your concern but we have no authority to make decisions at that level.”

e) Board Decision

With no other discussion, *motion by Council member Frazier to accept the text amendment section 150.02 Zoning Regulations of the Code of Ordinances, Article VII, section 7-15 including Table of Permitted Uses to include Pet Grooming only as a permitted use in RMU-Old Town Overlay based on the Planning Board and staff approval and to include the consistency statement as presented. The motion was seconded by Council member Lohr, and approved unanimously by all Council members present.*

10. Community Development Block Grant to receive citizen input concerning the City of Trinity’s intent to submit application to the North Carolina Commerce Finance Center requesting \$168,000 for construction of 2215 feet of sewer line in support of Flint Trading Inc.

Mayor Boyles opened this item to be heard per Public Hearing Protocol and turned the presentation of this item over to Alicia Broadway, representative of Benchmark Incorporated.

a) Applicant Presentation

Ms. Broadway discussed the first Public Hearing held on Aug 13, 2013 that was the general Public Hearing for public comment in regards to the submission of an application.

This is the second Public Hearing that deals with the specifics of the project. Details for this project include \$168,000 of this budget that will come from North Carolina Department of Commerce.

For this Grant we are required to adopt a lot of other policies and to hold these two (2) Public Hearings. These are all a part of the process for submitting the application.

Mayor Boyles discussed his excitement to see growth especially in our business park. The City of Trinity has invested approximately 500,000.00 in this area in repairs to the roadways and the installation of some sewer line. This is a company that is coming to the City of Trinity with fourteen (14) employees and the willingness to invest millions of dollars. There will be seven (7) additional business that will be allowed to tap on to the sewer service.

b) Public Hearing

Speaking for the request: Bonnie Renfro, Randolph County EDC President, discussed the value and importance of this grant. This will add new investment, growth of your tax base, new quality jobs and investment in public infrastructure that will pay dividends for years to come.

In addition to speaking for, I want to advise Council that Randolph County Board of Commissioners voted at their August 05, 2013 meeting to support this project by participating in conjunction with the City of Trinity in a match that would be required.

Speaking against the project: None

With no others to speak, Mayor Boyles closed the Public Hearing.

After closing the Public Hearing, Mayor Boyles advised those present that the cost for the City of Trinity is \$3,500 and Randolph County is \$3,500 for this project and these dollars represents our 5% match.

IV. New Business

11. Adopt a Project Budget Ordinance on behalf of the Trinity Economic Development Project. (Alicia Broadway, Benchmark, CMR)

Ms. Broadway thanked Ms. Renfro and the Randolph County EDC for all her hard work on this project.

The Project Budget Ordinance was drafted from information that the Economic Development Group had gathered. This Ordinance includes \$168,000 that will come from the North Carolina Department of Commerce. There will be another division from within the North Carolina Department of Commerce that will deal directly with Economic Development Projects and they will be asked to give \$140,000.00. The City of Trinity will give \$3,500.00 and Randolph County will give \$3,500.00. Ennis Flint, the company that will benefit from this project will give \$10,000.00 towards this project. The total budget for project will be \$325,000 dollars.

We will need to set up the way this money will be drawn down. We know that currently there will be approximately \$25,000.00 in administrative funds that could be taken from this grant along with the sewer improvements of approximately \$300,000.00. We will be setting up two (2) items for the Project Budget Ordinance. This needs to be adopted prior to submission of the grant in order to have all of the information together for the application process.

Board Decision

Motion by Council member Varner to approve and adopt the Project Budget Ordinance on behalf of the Trinity Economic Development contingent upon approval by the funding agency, seconded by Council member Frazier, and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

12. Adopt Assessment Policy for Trinity Economic Development Project. (Alicia Broadway, Benchmark)

Ms. Broadway advised Council this is another required policy that must be adopted on behalf of this project. Ms. Broadway stated that the City had adopted a similar policy when working with Trinity Furniture. The City must adopt a separate Policy for this particular sewer project to be accepted at the Department of Commerce.

She discussed the requirement of the city to return about 50% of funds to the Commerce Center for future projects within 5 years. This fund is tap fees of \$500.00 and is a separate fee.

Manager Hinson advised Council that these fees were separate from the impact fee currently charged by the City and would have no impact on those revenues. Should someone else wish to

hook up to this line within the 5 year period, \$250.00 of this fee would remain with the City and \$250.00 of this fee would be returned to the Commerce Center.

Motion by Council member Bridges to adopt the Assessment Policy contingent upon project acceptance and approval by the funding agency, seconded by Council member Johnson, and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

13. Adopt Resolution By Governing Body of The Applicant in Support of the Trinity Economic Development Project. (Randy McNeill & City Manager)

Mr. McNeill discussed the reasons for this request. When this Resolution was drafted we were not sure where the Rural Center would stand. This is a Resolution pursuing a second grant from what was formally the Rural Center, to the new department that is some type of Rural Economic Development Group within the Department of Commerce. This is a Resolution to show Council's support of the second grant.

We have taken the Rural Center's standard Resolution and changed the language a little to come up with this Resolution in an effort to show the Department of Commerce that Council has taken some action relating to pursuing a second grant.

Council member Bridges and Mr. McNeill discussed if this resolution was to cover all the bases. Mr. McNeill advised members that a change would probably be necessary when the project is accepted. This Resolution is something that the City can use to show we are making every effort to get ready for this project.

Manager Hinson discussed her comments included on the summary sheets. As with approval for other items relating to this project, this Resolution would be applicable only if this project is approved and if required. Should theory need to be a change in the language the revised document will be reviewed by the City Attorney prior to signing. A revised copy will be provided to Council.

With no further discussion, Mayor Boyles opened the item to Council for action.

Motion by Council member Frazier to adopt the Resolution by Governing Body of the Applicant and to allow changes as or if needed. Any revisions will be reviewed by the City Attorney and a revised executed copy of this Resolution will be provided to Council members, seconded by Council member Bridges, and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

14. Review and Approve 2013-2014 Powell Bill Street Plan (Rich Baker and Rick Austin)

Mr. Baker discussed with Council members the approval of our bidding process for the patching on various streets. This information projects by this fall all the streets will have had detailed patching. Once all this work is done we will begin on Rolling Road Project in the spring. Rolling Road will involve a six foot concrete pipe under the road and will be extensive as well as expensive. Mr. Baker advised Council members that he will have more detail of these expenses sometime in January for Council's evaluation.

Council member Bridges asked if there were no other streets that the City should be looking at that will benefit more of our citizens.

Mr. Baker advised Council that all streets had been evaluated in an effort to be more equitable with these repairs and at this time there were none. The streets in Steeplegate are our oldest streets on our inventory. That is why Council and residents are seeing the extensive work in this area. A lot of our other streets that we own were taken over when the sewer projects in those areas were done. When sewer was installed a fresh overlay was done when sewer was installed. Our other streets include subdivisions such as Colonial Village.

Council member Bridges wanted to know if there was a way to take over more streets or make improvements on other streets.

Mr. Baker stated that NCDOT would love for Trinity to take over more streets and discussed comments that he had received from other Council members regarding this issue and would be discussed at a later date. We evaluated the streets that we currently own that need repairing now. We are looking at evaluating the Stones Throw Area, and Carriage House.

Council member Frazier and Mr. Baker discussed his statement concerning looking at other streets and whether or not he was looking at other streets. Mr. Baker advised Council members that other streets had been looked at. In the future we will be concentrating on those streets. The priority will be outside of Steeplegate because the streets located in that area will be the newest streets that have been done and this core group will be in good shape.

Council member Frazier said that she understood the concept, but the City did not want to blatantly just want to start taking over streets. The point that she wanted to make was that the City has a lot of small streets with very big issues. She asked if there was any way that the City might possibly look into helping situations like this while keeping in mind the best interest of the City, and the taxpayers who are providing these Powell Bill funds that we are using to fix our roads.

Mr. Baker advised Council that he was planning to discuss these situations with the Infrastructure Committee at their October Meeting. We will be bringing that information back to the Council.

Council member Frazier asked how long it would take to study these areas.

Mr. Baker asked if Council member Frazier was asking about the entire area or orphaned and private streets.

Council member Frazier referred to the worst situations that the City has and referenced Maple Oaks. It was her opinion this road was impassable and that there were some EPA problems in this area.

Mr. Baker agreed with Council member Frazier about Maple Oaks but also advised her that Maple Oaks would be very expensive to repair. We are looking at some type of bridge system because of the debris that comes through this area. Another problem is that the City has no right of way in this area.

Council member Frazier said this is just one area that we need to look at because we have citizens that can barely get into their homes.

Mr. Baker agreed with Council member Frazier and stated that he was hoping to have a detailed list prior to the October meeting to compare what we have in an order that we have determined to be reviewed by the Infrastructure and then the Council.

Manager Hinson discussed the rules of the Powell Bill system and stated that in order to use Powell Bill funds the City must take over the street first. She discussed her conversations with Mr. Baker and Mr. Austin concerning her plans for beginning a system to identify these streets so that it can be reviewed by Council.

Council member Frazier asked how long the City had to complete the Powell Bill Project before Council.

Mr. Baker stated that once the project was approved the City can go forward with the bidding process and will have to have the bidding process finished by the end of September in order to receive the October payment.

Council member Ayers asked for clarification that the \$358,308.00 proposed for this project needed to be allocated by end of September. Mr. Baker stated that was correct.

Council member Ayers asked how many projects will be done for the \$358,000.00. Mr. Baker advised Council that all the roads listed on the material in the Pre-Agenda packet were included in that amount that included nine (9) different roads. This project does not include Rolling Road. That street will be on the next proposal for the spring.

Mayor Boyles described the High Point MPO and their function. He stated there were three (3) different people for different areas in the state. One of the things the City can do concerning State maintained roads is try to encourage the state to pave them. We have actually accomplished a lot this year. The state has paved all of Meadowbrook and Hopewell.

He discussed the reduction that was going to occur to this funding and stated there was no way to maintain a road with Powell Bill funds. The funds that the City currently has will have to be spent within a 5 year period. That is why have to be meticulous with our monies in an effort to take care of the streets that we currently own.

Motion by Council member Johnson to approve and accept the Powell Bill Street Fund plan as presented, seconded by Council member Varner, and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

V. Business from City Manager and Staff

Manager Hinson discussed the Fair Housing Workshop the City will host as a result of these grants which will be on September 26, 2013. Manager Hinson stated that she will provide more information at a later date.

We received an e-mail from Bill Taylor at Powderworks thanking Mr. Rich Baker, staff and Council for their efforts and hard work in cleaning up the Industrial Park. Manager Hinson shared with Council that we are aware of some tires still in the area but we are working on

resolving this matter with little or no cost to the city. Council member Lambeth asked Manager Hinson about how many tires were at that location.

Mr. Baker advised Council member Lambeth there were approximately 20 tires at this location. Council member Lambeth asked Mr. Baker to call him.

Manager Hinson also discussed a thank you received from Mr. Bobby Campbell for the drainage problem on Coldbrook Court and Coltrane that the City had resolved. He was very appreciative of the support from the staff in correcting this issue.

Manager Hinson discussed City Haul and advised those present this event was scheduled for October 24-26. We will provide the information of the location as soon as one is secured.

Council member Ayers asked for an update on the hot dog stand.

Manager Hinson discussed with Council members that we had been unable to give the building away and if the City disposed of the building that we would need a dumpster to haul off the debris from the building.

Mr. Baker shared that he had spoken to Mr. Skeen about removal and he estimated the cost to be around \$1000.00.

VI. Business from Mayor and Council

Council member Lohr discussed the lease for the Public Works building and felt this was a waste of money. It was his opinion that the City should outsource the lawn mowing, get rid of lawn mower and cut costs. It was his opinion that the lawn mower was not used more than 2 weeks out of the year. The building is too big for what the City needs. It was Council member Lohr's opinion the easements should be mowed only two times year. He stated that he would like to have something on this discussed at the next meeting.

Manager Hinson asked Council for direction on how to handle this. She advised them that the City had looked at other buildings and is in the process of getting a quote on a smaller building that the City may be able to purchase. I have three (3) quotes on placing a building on City property. I have been asked to contact a resident in Trinity that has experience with this type of building and will be making contact with that resident. She asked what else the Council would like for her to pursue since we already have three (3) quotes. How does the Council wish for me to proceed.

Council member Frazier suggested that the information be organized and presented at the Pre-Agenda meeting in September.

Manager Hinson advised Council member Frazier she would put the information together and present to Council at that time.

Mayor Boyles added that he feels stronger than he has ever felt before.

Mayor Boyles asked how confrontations could be eliminated at our meetings. Council member Varner felt that no one should be called by name and no official should respond to comments. There were other comments between Council members who felt the same suggestion given by

Council member Varner applied to residents as well that addressed Council. No names should be called on either side.

Mayor Boyles stated that his request was for anyone who had any suggestions concerning this issue and that he was willing to listen, change, or try whatever it takes to make this happen. He stated that he did not like to see anyone talked down to. Mayor Boyles stated even though he was not paid he took this position seriously and spent a lot of hours trying to assist Council.

VII. Adjournment

Motion by Council member Bridges to adjourn the August 20, 2013 Regular Council Meeting at 9:06 p.m., seconded by Council member Lambeth, and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

These minutes were approved by the Trinity City Council on October 15, 2013 at their Regular Meeting upon motion by Council member Bridges to approve the minutes as listed on the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Council member Lambeth and approved unanimously by all Council members present. There were no Council members absent at the October 15, 2013 meeting.

Carlton Boyles, Mayor

Date

Annette deRuyter, Assistant City Clerk

Date