**Town of Maxton**

**Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting**

 **Town Hall-7:00 pm**

 **May 17, 2016**

 **Minutes**

 **Mayor Emmett Morton**

**Mayor Pro Tem Margaret Gilchrist**

 **Interim Manager Angela Pitchford**

**Commissioner Margaret Gilchrist**

 **Commissioner Elizabeth Gilmore**

 **Commissioner Virgil Hutchinson**

**Commissioner James McDougald**

 **Commissioner Paul McDowell**

 **Finance Myra Tyndall**

 **Town Clerk Jacqueline Johnson**

 **Chief Tammy Deese**

**Work Session 6:30**

**Mayor Morton call meeting to order and Welcome**

**The Invocation was given by Commissioner Paul McDowell**

**Adoption of Proposed Agenda:**

Mayor Morton entertained a motion to adopt the proposed agenda Commissioner McDougald made the motion seconded by commissioner Gilmore the vote was unanimous the motion was carried

Mayor Morton entertained a motion to amend the agenda to add item(E) to New Business Commissioner McDougald made the motion seconded by Commissioner Gilmore the vote was unanimous the motion was carried

**Approval of Consent Agenda:**

1. Minutes from Board Retreat April 7, 2016
2. Minutes from Board Meeting April 19, 2016
3. Tax adjustments

Mayor Morton entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda Commissioner McDowell made the motion seconded by Commissioner Hutchinson the vote was unanimous the motion was carried

**Recognitions**

Mayor Morton presented Chief Tammy Deese with a plaque for Employee of the Month and congratulated her on receiving her master’s degree

**Public Forum**

* **Terri McLean of Robinson-McLean Funeral Service briefly spoke about an open house and ribbon cutting co-host Scotland County Chamber on June 10, 2016 and invite the Mayor, Board citizens , have plan on joining the Maxton Chamber also**
* **Vivian Brown Morrison concern was the old Hester Funeral Home that’s been vacant for a while , also the closing of the schools in Maxton**
* **Lorenzo McEachin briefly mention the event at the Renaissance Center on June 3, 2016 as a fund raiser for jobs during the summer to assist the youth with training with the local businesses**
* **Francine McLaurin briefly spoke on the great turn out of the health fair the was held at the Maxton Resource Center, she commended the town and all the vendor that participated in the event and looking forward to hosting the event next year**

**I. Old Business**

 a) Approval of draft CSX Crossing Closure Agreement

Mayor Morton entertained a motion to approve the draft CSX Crossing Closure agreement Commissioner McDougald made the motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gilchrist the vote was unanimous the motion was carried

**II. New Business**

1. **Adopt Resolution of the Federal Clean Water Act**

Mayor Morton entertained a motion to adopt the resolution for the Federal Clean Water Act Commissioner McDowell made the motion seconded by Commissioner Gilmore the vote was unanimous the motion was carried

1. **Grant from AGAPE Outreach Ministry for bathrooms at football field(Commissioner McDowell)**

Commissioner McDowell briefed the board on the Agape grant of $10,000 permission from board to have bathrooms built on the football field Mayor Pro Tem Gilchrist made the motion seconded by Commissioner Gilmore the vote was unanimous the motion was carried

1. **Proclamation for Older Americans Month**

Mayor Morton entertained a motion to a proclamation for Older Americans Month Commissioner Hutchinson made the motion seconded by Commissioner McDougald the vote was unanimous the motion was carried

1. **Letter from Purnell Swett High School request of donations**

Mayor Morton briefly discussed the request for donations Purnell Swett High School, he advise the Board it’s their choice if they choose to give a personal donation

1. **Date for a Community meeting to discuss the School matter**

The Board briefly discussed Tuesday May 24, 2016 at 6:30pm to have a public meeting for the citizens to discuss the Maxton School matter at the Gilbert Patterson Library

**Reports: Chief, Manager**

 **Committees**

* **Public Works: Commissioners Gilmore & McDougald** briefly discussed that the recycling bins were placed at the same location, the town in the process of working on the burned and vacant properties and request for citizens to attend the meetings with concerns and interest
* **Economic Development: Commissioners McDougald & Hutchinson** briefly discussed putting a packet in place for new businesses which include an application for a business grant , new comers are interested I what the town has to offer new businesses , the LRDA has a program that train people for 13 weeks on a job free labor
* **Public Safety: Commissioners McDowell & Gilmore** no citizens present, request the citizens to attend the meeting with their concerns
* **Recreation : Commissioners McDowell & Mayor Pro Tem Gilchrist** only 2 citizens was present all citizen are requested to attend the meeting to voice their concerns
* **Mayor Morton** briefly discussed the benches to be places at Beachum park at the track

**Adjourn**

**Mayor Morton entertained a motion to recess meeting until Friday May 20, 2016 at 3:30, Commissioner McDowell made the motion seconded by Commissioner McDougald the vote was unanimous the motion was carried**

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**Mayor, Emmett Morton Town Clerk, Jacqueline M Johnson**