

**TOWN OF GRIFTON
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORKSHOP MEETING
March 6, 2012**

Present: Mayor Billy Ray Jackson; Commissioners Buddy Albritton, Sammy Whitehurst, Mary Grace Bright, William Barnes, Jr.; Manager Joe Albright

Absent: Commissioner Richard Hill

Mayor Jackson called the meeting to order.

Mayor Jackson led the Board of Commissioners in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Recognition of Persons to be Heard: None

Discussion Items:

1. *Fiscal Year 2012 Financial Audit Contract-Pittard Perry & Crone, Inc.*
Manager Albright explained that it is time to enter into our annual contact, which is required by the Local Government Commission, for auditing services with Pittard Perry & Crone, Inc. Manager Albright recommended this item be put on the consent agenda at the next regular meeting. The Board agreed.

Commissioner Bright would like to see if we could bid out the services for the audit. Manager Albright said he would find out if we have enough time to bid these services out at this late date.

Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Bright asked if there has been any feedback on paving and what is the next step. Manager Albright stated that he and the engineers are still looking into this project. He also stated that the Board of Elections needs to be contacted to obtain information on what they need and to get a resolution passed in order to proceed. He stated that we still have time to get all necessary needs done before the next election.

Mayor Jackson asked where we are on the sewer rehab project. Manager Albright stated that the bulk of the permits have been obtained and the bidding process should begin in the next 30 days or so. He also stated that it is still scheduled to break ground around mid summer.

Commissioner Whitehurst would like to take this opportunity to thank Benny Cox and Billy Britt for doing their jobs quickly and efficiently.

Commissioner Barnes asked about the lights at Hodges Ball Field. Manager Albright responded that he has talked with Ayden and they have a plan of action to make sure there are lights for the tournament on the 17th. He also stated has asked for Ayden to give us a price for light replacement.

Commissioner Albritton stated that he felt in order to eliminate the drainage problem in Country Club and Pitt Street we need another piece of tile on McCrae St. to divert the water to the river. After this is done, then the water on Lewis Dr. could be diverted to Pitt Street.

The Board asked Manager Albright to have the engineers look into this idea.

Commissioner Bright does not feel any more water should be diverted to Pitt Street.

Mayor Jackson asked Manager Albright to have Robert Williams to check and make sure the storm drain on Queen Street, in front of the Christian Church, has no obstructions. He also stated there is a junction box on Quinerly Street that needs to be looked at as soon as possible.

Commissioner Bright asked about the Depot roof repair.

Manager Albright stated that he is thinking about cancelling the contract but does not know anybody else that will do the job.

Commissioner Whitehurst stated that the shrubbery at the Town Commons has a one year warranty on them and the dead ones need to be replaced.

Discussion and possible solutions were made by the Board about the loose cable wires hanging around town.

Commissioner Albritton made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Whitehurst. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted
Angel Hudson
Town of Grifton