# Town of Siler City Board of Commissioners Budget Workshop Tuesday, March 11, 2014

Board Members Present: Larry Cheek, Lewis Fadely, John Grimes, Bill Haiges, Chip Price, Tony Siler

Board Members Absent: Cindy Bray, Michael Constantino

Staff Present: Manager Bryan Thompson, Finance Officer Tammy Spechier, Clerk Jenifer Everage

Mayor Grimes opening the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

Manager Thompson presented the following items for guidance from the board:

#### Siler City Parks and Recreation Fee Schedule Review

Thompson presented a memorandum and several spreadsheets with an outline of similar fees from other communities. The board discussed the fee schedule. The board agreed that the Parks and Recreation Fee Schedule needed to have some changes.

#### **Siler City Fire District Tax**

Thompson presented the current tax rate structures which includes the tax levied on all properties outside the corporation limits and the general fund. The board discussed the fire tax, living quarters, and fire chief. The board asked Manager Thompson to speak with the Fire Chief and discuss the fire department's priorities. The board agreed that the Fire District Tax needs to be looked at more.

## **Information Technology Request for Proposal**

Thompson informed the board that the Town intends to seek proposals for consolidated Information Technology (IT) services for the Town's current operations. The Town is currently being served by two different IT vendors in the Police Department and Town Hall. The board discussed the IT proposal. The board asked Commissioner Haiges to work with Manager Thompson on IT for the Town.

#### **FY2015 Major Project Priorities**

Thompson discussed with the board the major project priorities. Some of the projects discussed were Safe Routes to School, Airport Authority, and Greenway. Cash Flow and timing of the projects was discussed.

## Carolina Pool Management Agreement – Current and Implications for FY2015

Thompson presented the information from Carolina Pool Management to the board. The board discussed the pool contracted and rental fees. The board agreed that this year the contract needed to move forward and look at the information for next year.

# Town Facilities Cleaning Services – Contract vs. In-house

The board discussed the cleaning services for town hall, police department, library, gyms, and the community center. The board asked Thompson to look at the current contract and discuss the expectations with the current cleaner that are not being met.

Thompson discussed with the board the utility rates and festival support cost.

The board discussed the NC Arts BBQ, Beer, and Bluegrass Festival.

With no further business the board adjourned.

John Grimes, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jenifer J Everage, Town Clerk

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