

Village of Folsom
Mayor - Bettye M. Boggs

Aldерwoman - Paulette Lee
Aldерwoman - Jill Mathies
Alderman - Lance Willie



Andree Core - Municipal Clerk
Ronnie "Beau" Killingsworth -
Chief of Police
Delbert G. Talley - Village Attorney

A G E N D A

Public Hearing

7:00 p.m.

June 8, 2015

Present: Mayor Bettye M. Boggs
Aldерwoman Paulette Lee
Aldерwoman Jill Mathies
Alderman Lance Willie
Municipal Clerk, Andree Core

Mayor Boggs called the meeting to order and the municipal clerk, Andree Core, established a quorum. The invocation was led by Jasmine Brown who read a prayer by one of the founding father, President Calvin Coolidge, and followed with the pledge.

Public hearing of Ordinance Chapter 1-2015-2 was presented providing for a 5% pay raise for the Chief of Police. Mayor Boggs asked for discussion from the board and Alderman Willie stated that the raise was well deserved. Mayor Boggs asked for discussion from the audience and there was a question regarding making it retroactive to the previous month, and it was stated that making it retroaction was discussed last month and it was not possible to make the ordinance retroactive according to our village attorney.

Public Hearing for Ordinance Chapter 16-2015-1 was presented providing for impact fees on new residential and commercial construction and any changes on such fees in the future can be enacted by resolution. Board discussion involved the question by Alderman Willie regarding whether a person were living in a mobile home and then deciding to build a house on that property would be subject to the impact fee, and he asked if this could be put in the ordinance. Mayor Boggs stated that we could not change the ordinance at this point, but that Mr. Talley indicated last month that we could amend the ordinance with future changes.

A motion to close the public hearing was made by Aldерwoman Mathies and seconded by Alderman Willie. The motion carried (3 yeas, 0 nays).

General Meeting

(Following Public Hearing)

Approval of Agenda - Mayor Boggs asked for the approval of the agenda and a motion by Alderwoman Mathies to amend the agenda by adding the amendment of the budget for 2014-15, the resolution for Don Juan Restaurant, the janitorial contract for town hall, and Tina Pierre's addressing the farmers market. The motion was seconded by Alderman Willie and the motion carried *(3 yeas, 0 nays)*.

Approval of Financial Statements - The monthly financial statement was presented. There was no discussion and Alderwoman Mathies made a motion to approve the monthly financial statement and it was seconded by Alderman Willie. The motion carried *(3 yeas, 0 nays)*.

The amended budget for 2014-15 was presented by Mayor Boggs and it was stated that the amendments were necessary in order to bring our current budget within 5% of the projected budget. Alderman Willie asked if there were any concerns from the CPA regarding the amended budget in particular with regard to sewer and water since we have seen an increase in the water rates. A motion to accept the amended budget for the 2014-15 fiscal year was made by Alderman Willie and seconded by Alderwoman Mathies. The motion carried *(3 yeas, 0 nays)*.

Old Business:

Item I - Recycling Program, Team Waste

Alderwoman Paulette Lee addressed the recycling proposal and introduced Stephen Lytton from Team Waste. The discussion of various options of recycling which can be brought to the village included curbside recycling which includes a cost to each household, placing 96 gallon bins at town hall to be used for village recycling, and a specific weekend of e-recycling. He indicated that the minimum cost option would be the bins located at town hall which would cost about \$20 per month and they would be monitored by town hall. The participation at town hall would then indicate the interest in recycling and the curbside could be added later based on participation. It was clarified that the bins at town hall would be locked to prevent contamination from other waste items and recycling would occur during business hours. Mr. Lytton stated that there would be some type of education as to what items are recyclable when asked about how we would help to keep citizens from placing contaminating items in the recycle bins. There was a motion by Alderman Willie to have Team Waste provide the three bins at town hall with locks for \$20 per month for recycling to the village. This is an addition to our current contract. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Mathies and the motion carried *(3 yeas, 0 nays)*.

Item II – Ordinance No. Chapter 1-2015-2 / Chief of Police Pay Raise

Mayor Boggs introduced Ordinance Chapter 1-2015-2 providing for a 5% pay raise for the Chief of Police. There was no discussion from the board nor from the audience. Alderman Willie made a motion to accept this ordinance and it was seconded by Alderwoman Mathies. The motion carried *(3 yeas, 0 nays)*.

Item III – Ordinance No. Chapter 16-2015-1 / Impact Fees

Mayor Boggs introduced Ordinance Chapter 16-2015-1 for the imposition of impact fees for new residential and commercial construction with all future changes enacted by resolution. Alderwoman Mathies made a motion to accept the ordinance and it was seconded by Alderman Willie. The motion carried (3 yeas, 0 nays).

New Business:

Item I – Resolution for Liquor License for Don Juan’s Restaurant

Mayor Boggs presented a resolution regarding the liquor license for Don Juan Restaurant. She indicated that she had the pleasure of speaking to the congregation of the Lutheran church and presented a letter from the church indicating that they have no objection to Don Juan Restaurant having a liquor license. There was no discussion from the board nor the audience. Alderman Willie made a motion to accept this ordinance and it was seconded by Alderwoman Mathies. The motion carried (3 yeas, 0 nays).

Item II – Resolution for CWF

Mayor Boggs presented a resolution for approval of the application for the CWF grant. Alderwoman Mathies asked if this resolution gave the mayor the right to enter into contract with these funds, but it was clarified that this resolution is for the application process for the grant. Mayor Boggs indicated that we are looking at over \$500,000 in repairs and upgrades to our water and sewer system. She also indicated that she was able to get Folsom back into the Capital Outlay Bill with the assistance of Senator Ben Nevers at the end of the current legislative session. Alderman Willie made a motion to accept the resolution to approve the application of the CWF grant and it was seconded by Alderwoman Mathies. The motion carried (3 yeas, 0 nays).

Item III – Resolution for LGAP

Mayor Boggs presented a resolution for approval of the application for the LGAP grant. She indicated that we still have a balance in our present LGAP grant which will be used before we apply for a new LGAP grant and the village plans to use the present grant for purchase and installation of additional electronic water meters. We used part of the present grant for purchase of a flow meter for well #1 which was part of a DHH violation we have now corrected. Alderwoman Mathies asked if this could be used for installation of present meters and it was stated that it could be used for installation of meters. Alderman Willie made a motion to accept the resolution to approve the application of the LGAP grant and it was seconded by Alderwoman Mathies. The motion carried (3 yeas, 0 nays).

Item IV – Resolution for Approval of Budget

The resolution for the approval of the budget for 2015-16 was presented by Mayor Boggs. She stated this was the budget emailed on May 27th for review. Since that budget did not have the comparative years, she asked the CPA to put it in the current format being presented where the budget can be compared to previous years going back to the 2012-13 budgets. Mayor Boggs indicated she met with the CPA and provided her with our increased water rates as well as the salary increases that were given in 2015. Alderman Willie comment on the projections for water based on our recent rate increases which projects a \$31,000 increase from the previous fiscal year. Mayor Boggs stated that copies of the monthly budgets as well as this annual budget are made available upon request for citizens by completing the form at the sign-in table. Alderman Willie questioned the police budget and referred to the amount that was taken from the police budget and moved to the sewer fund a number of years ago. Mayor Boggs indicated that the police budget would need amending during the fiscal year. The audience was asked for input and Chief Pittman expressed concern that the police department get the money

that they need to operate. Alderman Willie made a motion to accept the resolution for the 2015-16 budget. Alderwoman Lee stated she would like to hear what Chief Killingsworth had to say. He stated he did not have a problem with it as the police department at one time had a surplus when it was voted to move funds into sewer. He stated at some point the tax allocation needs to be revisited. Alderwoman Mathies seconded the motion. The motion carried (*3 yeas, 0 nays*). She then commented that we should look at LMA for assistance with our future budget concerns. Since our budget is funded from sales tax, it was suggested that we approach DOTD about doing their construction at night to avoid affecting our tax basis.

Item V – Proclamation Acknowledging Past Mayor Armitage

Mayor Boggs stated that she had the pleasure of meeting with Suellen Eyre. She is the daughter of former Mayor Mary Ellen Armitage who would have been 100 years old on June 2, 2015. Mayor Boggs introduced a proclamation recognizing the many accomplishments of Mayor Armitage to the Village of Folsom. She pointed out that pictures portraying her contribution and accomplishments were on bulletins boards in the conference room for citizen to review. Mayor Boggs introduced a proclamation to acknowledging her many contributions to the village of Folsom by proclaiming June 2015 as Mary Ellen Armitage Recognition Month in the village of Folsom.

Item VI – Approval of Contract with Jericho (Web Site)

Mayor Boggs introduced a proposal to enter a contract with Jericho to rebuild the village web site which is currently very outdated. After discussion on costs and scope of services in the contract, Alderman Willie made a motion that the Village go into contract with Jericho to rebuild our village web site for the amount in the proposal. It was seconded by Alderwoman Mathies and the motion carried (*3 yeas, 0 nays*).

Item VII – Approval of Sign for Moise Square

Alderwoman Lee made a recommendation that the village have a sign built in honor of the donation of land by the Moise family to the village of Folsom. She stated the wording of the sign has not been determined but she was asking for approval of the board to move forward with the purchase of the sign. It was decided that the family would be contacted for their input. Alderwoman Lee asked if the Activity Center funds of \$1939 could be use for this purpose. Alderman Willie suggested the village use the total amount in the fund in order to purchase the sign and build a flower bed around it. Alderman Willie made a motion that we use the Activity Center funds to purchase the sign and provide the garden in recognition of the Moise family. It was seconded by Alderwoman Mathies and the motion carried (*3 yeas, 0 nays*).

Item VII – Janitorial Contract

Mayor Boggs introduced a janitorial contract for the cleaning of town hall. She stated that it was difficult find a janitorial service with workman's comp which is required by the village. Alderman Willie asked about the cleaning of the police department. Chief Killingsworth stated he thought that they could handle their cleaning but he would let the alderman make that decision. Alderman Willie made a motion that we go into contract with PM Maintenance for \$185 per month for cleaning twice a month and it was seconded by Alderwoman Mathies. The motion carried (*3 yeas, 0 nays*). Mayor Boggs will look into the additional cost of services for the police department.

Item VIII – Farmer's Market

Tina Pierre, market coordinator, commented on the farmer's market. She indicated that she had been told the village was closing the market and that another person was taking over the market. After clarifying the invalidity of the comment, she was informed she has support for the market. Mayor Boggs thanked her for her contributions to the market. Tina Pierre addressed the poor condition for the portable toilets and the village will

address this. She asked if vendors could cook on the property and Chief Pittman stated there was no problem with cooking. The use of generators was addressed and it was stated generators could be used. It was reported that the garbage cans needed attention and the village will contact the garbage provider and the garbage cans will be moved to town hall upon completion of the market. It was clarified that the market participants could use generators. The village acknowledged their appreciation and support of their efforts toward the farmer's market.

Announcements:

Village Garage Sale

The village garage sales will be considered in the fall when the weather is cooler.

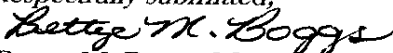
Christmas Parade – Horse Drawn

Jimmy Kuhn is coordinating the Folsom Christmas parade this year with all participants on horse-drawn wagons/carriages and riders on horseback for a country-themed Christmas parade.

Alderman Willie announced that the parish has finalized and approved the paving of Hay Hollow with the parish picking up the cost of the project.

Chief Pittman asked if the LGAP funds could be used for fire hydrants, but it was stated that this was not in the provisions of the grant.

Alderman Willie made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Alderwoman Lee and the motion carried (3 yeas, 0 nays).

Respectfully submitted,

Bettye M. Boggs, Mayor

I attest that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes taken at the General Meeting held at Town Hall on June 8, 2015.

Attest: 

Andree Core, Municipal Clerk