

TOWN OF TRYON
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FEBRUARY 21, 2015 8:30 A.M.

BUDGET RETREAT

TRYON FIRE STATION

Present: Mayor Jim T. Wright Mayor Pro Tem Miller

Commissioners: George Baker, Bill Ingham, Happy McLeod

Staff Present: Town Manager Joey Davis Town Clerk Susan Bell Police Chief Jeff Arrowood

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wright called the budget planning session to order at 9:00 a.m.

Discussion:

- Whether to purchase the ABC Store building or not – the consensus of the board was to have an appraisal done and an inspection before making a decision
- Responses received on the Strategic Plan – Level of service okay, consolidation of services, annexation, water & sewer answers received was that the town be in control or at least have local control over water & sewer
- Sales Tax Projections – would not have those for a while
- Employee wages – wait until January to take a look at this
- Debt service
- Police Department - 1) Replace the 2009 Dodge Charger which has 111,000 miles on it, maintenance issues with the car, would like to replace it with a Ford Explorer AWD, 2) Voice recorder- waiting on a quote for this, can't get parts for it, cost in 2003-04 was between \$12,000 & \$13,000, 3) look at incentives to keep officers
- Council Chambers – Move chambers to Town Hall and make possible sleeping quarters at Town Hall above the police department
- Public Works Department Equipment replacement – replace old backhoe, replace oldest dump truck, replace the sewer truck it has the highest mileage 100,000 miles
- East Howard Street Study – Storm Water Management
- Employee that could do grant administration, storm water management, planning & zoning
- Powell Bill: borrow money to make street and sidewalk repairs – School Street problem
- Taxes, water billing and payments – look at consolidation of services

Town Manager Davis reminded the Board of their next meeting on March 6, 2015 at 12:00 p.m. with TDDA.

ADJOURN

Mayor Wright entertained a motion to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem Miller so moved. The motion carried unanimously.

Jim T. Wright, Mayor

Attest:

Susan B. Bell, Town Clerk