

A Public Hearing was held at 5:00 for the purpose of discussing a proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance. The amendment would allow for a change in the height of signs. No one was present to speak for or against the amendment. David Hilton made the motion to close the Public Hearing and begin the regular meeting. Frank Dickey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Town Council was held on May 1, 2017 at 5:00 pm in the City Hall building with the following present:

Clerk: Anna A. Payne	Mayor: William N. Hughes
Attorney: Ronald M. Cowan	Council: Frank Dickey David Hilton
Cherokee Scout: Matthew Osborne	Barry McClure Karen Watson

Mayor Hughes called for a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Karen Watson made the motion to approve the minutes of the meetings. Barry McClure seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Barry McClure, duly seconded by David Hilton, made the motion to approve water and sewer releases totaling \$1,363.37. Motion carried.

Barry McClure, duly seconded by David Hilton, made the motion to approve the following tax releases Motion carried.

#1848	2014 release	2338 Murphy NCLP- per county int. not due \$89.54-Int
#2292	2016 release	Advantage Home & Comm - per county closed 7/31/15 \$9.60
#2489	2016 release	ANDWLLC per county no business in county \$9.60

Barry McClure, duly seconded by David Hilton, made the motion to approve the following tax refund Motion carried.

Corelogic 2016 - overpayment for Joey Reid parcel #1507

David Hilton, duly seconded by Karen Watson made a motion to approve the following zoning amendment. Motion carried.

AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE
OF THE TOWN OF MURPHY, NORTH CAROLINA

WHEREAS, the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Town of Murphy, North Carolina, recommended to the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Murphy, North Carolina, that the Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 153 of the Code of Murphy, North Carolina, be amended to increase the maximum height for signs to 50 feet; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Murphy, North Carolina, after receiving said recommendation from the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Town of Murphy, North Carolina, at a regular meeting held April 3, 2017, adopted and passed a Resolution which scheduled a public hearing on the proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 153 of the Code of Murphy, North Carolina, at 5:00 p.m. on May 1, 2017, in the Annex to the Murphy Electric Power Board Building, 5 Wofford Street, Murphy, North Carolina, and directed that a Notice of said public hearing be given in a newspaper having general circulation in the Town of Murphy, Cherokee County, North Carolina, once a week for two successive calendar weeks, the Notice to be published the first time not less than ten days nor more than 25 days before the date fixed for the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, said Notice was published in the April 19, 2017, and April 26, 2017, editions of the Cherokee Scout Newspaper, a newspaper having general circulation in the Town of Murphy, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was held at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, May 1, 2017, in the Annex to the Murphy Electric Power Board Building, 5 Wofford Street, Murphy, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Murphy, North Carolina, that the proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 153 of the Code of Murphy, North Carolina, should be approved.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF MURPHY, NORTH CAROLINA:

1. That the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Murphy, North Carolina, be and it hereby is amended as follows:

That Section 153.060(H) of the Code of Murphy, North Carolina, be stricken in its entirety and the following inserted in lieu thereof:

(H) No sign shall be greater than 50 feet in height measured from the adjacent road grade to the uppermost point of the sign or sign standard, whichever is greater.

2. That said amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 153 of the Code of Town of Murphy, North Carolina, shall be effective immediately.

ADOPTED AND PASSED by unanimous vote of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Murphy, North Carolina, at a regular meeting on the 1st day of May, 2017.

Frank Dickey (signed) David Hilton (signed) Barry McClure (signed) Karen Watson (signed)

There being no further business to discuss, the motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 p.m. was made by Frank Dickey and duly seconded by Barry McClure. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Clerk

Mayor