## Minutes May 11, 2020

The Creswell Town Board of Commissioners met on Monday at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor E. Ray Blount, Commissioner Syble Spruill, Commissioner Ronald Ambrose, Commissioner Joel Harris and Commissioner Brenda Logan

Commissioner Logan provided the invocation.

Commissioner Spruill provided the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Spruill moved to approve the minutes and waive the reading of the April meeting(s). Commissioner Ambrose seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The finance summary was presented to the board by the clerk and accepted.

## Unfinished Business:

-Commissioner Harris moved to accept the Resolution and Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement with NC Local Government Debt Setoff Clearinghouse Program. Commissioner Ambrose seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

## New Business:

-Commissioner Spruill mentioned concerns of the tall grass at Vida Clause's property at 308 W Main Street. The board agreed to get the maintenance guys to mow the front yard.

-Concerns were brought up about speeding down Main Street. The board agreed for the Mayor to contact the Sheriff and Highway Patrol inviting them to attend a board meeting for discussion on the speeding problem. The board also agreed for the Mayor to write a letter to the Department of Transportation informing them of the speeding issue the town is having on Main Street and see what the possible are of getting a speed bump or 4-way stop sign.

-The board set a budget meeting for Friday, May 29, 2020 at 6 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Edwin R. Blount, Mayor

(SEAL)

Penny Chapman, Town Clerk

## Minutes May 29, 2020 Budget Workshop #1

The Creswell Town Board of Commissioners met on Friday at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor E. Ray Blount, Commissioner Syble Spruill, Commissioner Ronald Ambrose, Commissioner Joel Harris and Commissioner Brenda Logan

The clerk/finance officer presented to the board a fiscal year 2020-2021 budget message. The 2020-2021 is proposing a 2.5% merit increase for full-time employees, operation expenses to continue services to citizens at the current levels, and selected adjustments to cover inflation and contractual increases along all line items.

The clerk informed the board that the tax rate was proposed to stay the same, \$0.50 per hundred dollars. The rates are proposed to increase for both water and sewer.

Commissioner Spruill suggested increasing Ray Owens, Part-time Maintenance Worker, salary being he hasn't had a salary increase in some time.

Board suggested decreasing the salary to 2% and increase Part-time Maintenance \$0.50.

Commissioner Ambrose asked if the contract between the town and the fire department could be written a different way because of the amount of money they received last year was too much and the fire department lost grant money. The board wants the clerk to ask the CPA or attorney that question.

Commissioner Harris suggested showing a budget with no salary increases and one with 2% increases at the next budget meeting.

The next budget meeting is set for June 8, 2020 at 7 p.m.

After no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Édwin R. Blount, Mayor

(SEAL)

Penny Chapman, Town Clerk