



The Alleghany County Board of Commissioners met in a special called Joint Town and County meeting on Monday, July 29th, 2019, at 6:30 pm in the Board Meeting Room of the County Administration Building, 348 South Main Street, Sparta, North Carolina.

Present: Chair Mark Evans, Commissioner Bill Osborne, Commissioner Bobby Irwin, Commissioner John Irwin, Town Manager Bryan Edwards, Mayor Wes Brinegar, Councilman Terry McGrady, Councilman Mike Parlier, Councilman John Brady, Councilman Chris Jones and Clerk to the Board Drew Temple.

Mayor Wes Brinegar called the Town of Sparta meeting to order.

Commissioner John Irwin made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Commissioner Bill Osborne seconded. Vote 4:0.

**AGENDA**  
Monday, July 29, 2019  
6:30 pm

- 6:30 Meeting called to order  
Pledge of Allegiance and invocation  
Approval of agenda
  
- A. 6:35 **Presentations to the Board**
  - i. **2019 Agricultural Fair & Pumpkin Festival update**  
Aaron Ray Tompkins, Maggie Osborne, Johnny Wishon
  - ii. **Sparta Lights update**  
Jeff Smith
  - iii. **Heritage Festival update**  
Katee Hettleman
  - iv. **Sheriff's "Run for a Claus – 5K and Fun Run"**  
Jennifer Boyer
  - v. **Streetscape update**  
Bryan Edwards
  
- B. **General Business \*\*deleted**
  - i. Nick Hawks – authorization to pursue \$50,000/no match  
School Security grant opportunity (Board action requested)
  
- C. **Public Comments**
  
- D. **Town Manager Comments**
  
- E. **Town Council Comments**
  
- F. **County Commissioner Comments**
  
- G. **Adjourn**

**Presentations to the Board**  
2019 Agricultural Fair & Pumpkin Festival update

Johnny Wishon gave a presentation about the 2019 Agricultural Fair & Pumpkin Festival.

Johnny Wishon said the Alleghany Agricultural Banquet is February 18<sup>th</sup> which shines a spotlight on Agriculture.

#### Sparta Lights update

Jeff Smith gave an update on Sparta Lights.

Jeff Smith proposed a “totem pole” to put in front of the Santa-hut with mileages to the North Pole, Choose & Cut locations, Boone, etc.

Jeff Smith said Sparta Lights is doing a Kids Pumpkin Festival on October 12<sup>th</sup> for children 12 and under from 10-5.

#### Heritage Festival update

Katee Hettleman gave an update on the 2019 Heritage Festival.

Sarah Dalton said there would be a concert at the Sparta Auditorium the night of the Heritage Festival.

#### Sheriff’s “Run for a Claus” 5K and Fun Run

Jennifer Boyer highlighted the Sheriff’s Run for a Claus 5K and “Fun-Run.”

Commissioner John Irwin made a motion to approve the 5K Road Closure Ordinance. Commissioner Bill Osborne seconded. Vote 4:0.

Councilman Terry McGrady made a motion to approve the 5K Road Closure Ordinance. Councilman John Brady seconded. Vote 4:0.

#### Streetscape update

Town Manager, Bryan Edwards said there was a project overview meeting regarding the Little River bridge replacement on 21 S and gave an update.

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#### **Public comments**

No comment

#### **Town Manager comments**

Town Manager, Bryan Edwards said he heard lots of positive comments about the road market.

#### **Town Council comments**

Councilman Parlier said there are lots of events coming up in the county.

Councilman Jones said it is a pleasure to meet with the commissioners and appreciate the support for Streetscape.

Councilman Brady said he is amazed at how much goes on in the town and county.

Mayor, Wes Brinegar highlighted August events.

#### **County Commissioner comments**

Commissioner John Irwin said the Road Market was a success.

Commissioner Bobby Irwin said the Road Market was a great success.

Commissioner Bobby Irwin thanked the Chamber for their hard work in helping the town and the county.

Commissioner Bobby Irwin said Dr. Cox, Susan Murphy and Karen Leys made a presentation to 58 community colleges about how Alleghany County supports our students.

Commissioner Bill Osborne said he is amazed at all the groups, committees, etc. all working together to better Alleghany county.

Chair Mark Evans asked that if citizens have had correspondence with the County Manager's office that are not complete, to please reach back out.

**Adjourn**

Commissioner Bill Osborne made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Bobby Irwin seconded. Vote 4:0.

Respectfully submitted,

Drew Temple,  
Clerk to the Board

Mark Evans,  
Chairman