

April 12, 1983

A regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen was convened in the Board Room of the Town Hall, the regular place of the meeting, at 7:30 p.m. on April 12, 1983.

PRESENT AND PRESIDING:

Mayor:	Robert W. Drakeford
Aldermen:	Steve Rose
	Jim White
	John Boone
	Hilliard Caldwell
	Joyce Garrett
	Ernie Patterson
Town Manager:	Richard F. Hunter
Town Clerk:	Sarah C. Williamson
Town Attorney:	Michael B. Brough

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

MOTION WAS MADE BY JIM WHITE AND SECONDED BY HILLIARD CALDWELL THAT THE MINUTES OF MARCH 22, 1983 BE APPROVED. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL.

Sewer Problem/Berkshire Manor

Jim Caldon, resident of Berkshire Manor Apartments, requested a status report on the sewer back-up problem he had reported to the Board last month.

Mike Brough stated that he had spoken with Wayne Munden with OWASA and was told that the sewer back-up problem along Tom's Creek is caused by three factors: (1) the sewer line along Tom's Creek is badly deteriorated and is therefore subject to a great deal of infiltration from stormwaters, which increases the pressure on the lines in flood situations, forcing the water to back up into the apartments; (2) the creek channel along Tom's Creek contains sufficient impediments to the free flow of water that the capacity of the stream to carry the stormwaters away quickly is the substantially impaired, which increases the pressure on the sewer lines; and (3) the apartments are built in the flood plain, resulting in very little fall between the first floor bathrooms in the apartments and the sewer line.

Mr. Brough stated that there are three steps that could be taken to help alleviate the problem. First, the sewer line should be repaired or replaced to eliminate as much infiltration as possible. Secondly, the channel of Tom's Creek needs to be cleared to enable the stormwater to be carried away more quickly. Finally, overflow valves may be installed in some cases between the apartments and the sewer line so that, when sewage water is forced back up the connecting lines toward the apartments, the water will overflow through such valves into the bathroom.

Mr. Brough stated that he was told by Mr. Munden that OWASA has replacement of the Tom's Creek line in its long-range work plan; however, he was unable to specify for certain when the project was scheduled to begin.

Mr. Brough stated that there are three legal grounds upon which the town has a plausible argument that OWASA can be required to make the necessary improvements to Tom's Creek. First, if the town adopts an ordinance making it unlawful for public or private entities to fail to keep in good repair its sewer lines under conditions where such failure tends to result in the discharge of sewer, then the town might be able to enforce such an ordinance by obtaining an injunction requiring the replacement of this line. Second, the town might be able to file suit on the basis that OWASA, in failing to replace the Tom's Creek line, is maintaining a public nuisance. Finally, the agreement of Sale and Purchase with OWASA states that OWASA "will provide and maintain such sewage collection and treatment facilities as may be required under applicable Laws and regulations to meet the reasonable needs of the town as presently and hereafter constituted". If the town enacts the ordinance described above, the town might be able to argue that the failure of OWASA to replace the line constitutes a violation of this agreement.

The Board requested that the Town Manager contact OWASA to determine when they were planning to replace the sewerline. The Board also requested Mr. Brough to send a copy of his memo to the Board explaining the foregoing to the town's OWASA representatives.

Horizons Unlimited

Diana Woolley, member of the Planning Board, read a resolution adopted by the Planning Board on April 7, 1983, which recommended that the Board of Aldermen, at least two members of the Planning Board, the Town Manager, Director of Planning and the Director of Public Works attend the April 27, 1983 Horizons Unlimited Retreat.

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Requests to Set Public Hearings

- (1) Subject: Land Use Ordinance Amendment to Allow 9.300 Gas Sales in a B-1 District.

Mr. T.G. Goad of Raleigh requests a text amendment to the Land Use Ordinance to allow gasoline sales in the B-1 General Business District with a Zoning (Z) permit.

THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS THAT THIS APPLICATION BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT A FEE BECAUSE IT CONCERNS A DOWNTOWN ZONING ISSUE, THAT A PUBLIC HEARING BE SET FOR APRIL 26, 1983, THAT THE MATTER BE REFERRED TO THE PLANNING BOARD, AND THAT THE TOWN ATTORNEY, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE PLANNING STAFF, DRAFT AN APPROPRIATE AMENDMENT TO IMPLEMENT THIS REQUEST.

- (2) Subject: CUP request/Poplar West Townhouses

The John R. McAdams Company, Inc., is apply for a Conditional Use Permit which will allow Inter-Tal, Inc., to construct 22 townhouse units on their 3.76 acre tract at 502 West Poplar Ave. The property is zoned R-10. The development is proposed to be constructed in 6 phases.

The Administration recommends that a Public Hearing be set for April 26, 1983.

- (3) Subject: Miscellaneous Land Use Ordinance Amendments

The administration requests that a public hearing be set for May 10, 1983 to consider an ordinance amending the Carrboro Land Use Ordinance to provide that most architecturally integrated residential subdivisions shall be treated the same as multi-family developments, to clarify the maintenance responsibilities for hydrants installed by developers within street rights-of-way or on private property, and to make other miscellaneous minor Changes.

MOTION WAS MADE BY ERNIE PATTERSON AND SECONDED BY HILLIARD CALDWELL THAT THE REQUESTED PUBLIC HEARINGS BE SET. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

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Public Hearing/C.D. Block Grant Application for Community Revitalization

The N.C. Department of Natural Resources and Community Development is accepting applications for Community Revitalization projects. The submission deadline for this funding cycle is May 2, 1983.

The Board of Aldermen heard the views of the public on the types of community revitalization activities the Town should include in its Community Development Block Grant Application.

Bill Houk, President of Orange Enterprises, stated that Orange Industries was negotiating for a building in the 400 Block of East Main Street to locate their business.

Jay Bryan with Friends of Old Carrboro, stated that his organization is proposing a program of providing low-interest loans to owners of pre-world War II houses in Carrboro for revitalization.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JIM WHITE AND SECONDED BY JOHN BOONE THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING BE CLOSED. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

MOTION WAS MADE BY JIM WHITE AND SECONDED BY STEVE ROSE THAT THIS MATTER BE REFERRED BACK TO THE ADMINISTRATION. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

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Public Hearing/Proposed Use of General Revenue Sharing Funds

Assuming the Federal Revenue Sharing Act is continued, the Town of Carrboro would expect to receive an estimated \$165,648 during Fiscal 1983-84. The purpose of this hearing was to permit the public an opportunity to make recommendations and suggestions regarding the use of these funds.

MOTION WAS MADE BY STEVE ROSE AND SECONDED BY JOHN BOONE THAT THIS PUBLIC HEARING BE CLOSED AS NO ONE WISHED TO SPEAK. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

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Public Hearing/Street Closing Request/Fourth of July Celebration

The Carrboro Recreation and Parks Department has requested the temporary closing of Laurel Avenue for Monday July 4, 1983 from 11:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. to accommodate the Town's annual Fourth of July Celebration.

The Administration recommended that the Board adopt a resolution authorizing this temporary closing of part of Laurel Avenue to accommodate the Town's Annual 4th of July Celebration on July 4th from 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 P.M.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JIM WHITE AND SECONDED BY JOHN BOONE THAT THIS PUBLIC HEARING BE CLOSED AS NO ONE WISHED TO SPEAK. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

The Following resolution as introduced by Aldermen Jim White and duly seconded by Alderman John Boone.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY CLOSING OF PART OF LAUREL AVENUE TO ACCOMMODATE THE TOWN'S ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION.

THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CARRBORO RESOLVES:

Section 1. The following street shall be temporarily closed on Monday, July 4, 1983, from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., to accommodate the 4th of July celebration. This event is to be held in accordance with the permit issued by the Board of Aldermen pursuant to Article III of Chapter 7 of the town code.

- a. Laurel Avenue from Main Street to the end of the Town Hall ballfield.

Section 2. The Town administration shall install appropriate traffic control devices to give notice of the temporary traffic controls.

Section 3. No person may operate any vehicle contrary to the traffic control devices installed in accordance with Section 2 of this resolution.

Section 4. This resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, received the following vote and was duly adopted this the 12th day of April, 1983.

Ayes: Rose, White, Boone, Patterson, Caldwell, Garrett

Noes: None

Absent or Excused: None

Authorization to Auction Town Vehicles

The administration requested authorization to sell two (2) surplus town vehicles at public auction on April 25, 1983. The administration is proposing to engage the services of Southern Auctioneers of High Point, N.C. to act as the town's agent in disposing of these vehicles.

The Law & Finance Committee at its meeting of April 5, 1983 recommended that the staff advertise locally for sealed bids on these two cars.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JOHN BOONE AND SECONDED BY JIM WHITE THAT THE ADMINISTRATION BE AUTHORIZED TO ADVERTISE LOCALLY FOR SEALED BIDS ON THESE TWO CARS AND THAT THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BE DIRECTED TO ESTABLISH MINIMUM BID PRICES.

VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

Assessments for Paving Laurel Avenue Extension, King Street, and Bim Street

The administration requested adoption of resolutions declaring the costs of Laurel Avenue Extension, King Street, and Bim Street improvements projects, ordering the preparation of preliminary assessment rolls, and setting public hearings for April 26, 1983 on such assessment rolls.

The Law & Finance Committee at its meeting of April 5, 1983 concurred with the administration's request.

Doris Foushee of Laurel Avenue Extension, expressed her concern that when the work was done in front of her property, her driveway was made so steep that she is unable to drive her car up it.

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman Steve Rose and duly seconded by Alderman John Boone.

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE COSTS OF THE LAUREL AVENUE EXTENSION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, ORDERING THE PREPARATION OF A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT ROLL, AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON SUCH ASSESSMENT ROLL.

WHEREAS, the Town has received a petition requesting the Laurel Avenue Extension between Jones Ferry Road and a dead end be improved in the following manner: Standard Street Paving.

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has certified to this Board that said petition is sufficient in all respects, the same having been duly signed by at least a majority in number of the owners of property abutting the street to be improved who reside on that street, who own at least a majority of the lineal feet of frontage on the street to be improved that is owned by persons who reside on that street;

WHEREAS, a preliminary assessment resolution has been adopted by the Board and a public hearing duly held thereon;

WHEREAS, this Board adopted a resolution on the 14th day of September, 1982, directing that this project be undertaken, and the project has been completed in accordance with that resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CARRBORO RESOLVES:

Section 1. The cost of the above described improvement, exclusive of so much of the total cost as was incurred at street intersections, has been computed and is hereby declared to be \$37,310.00.

Section 2. The town clerk is hereby directed to prepare a preliminary assessment roll in accordance with G.S. 160A-227, showing the individual assessments upon properties benefited by the improvement. The assessment roll shall be made available for public inspection in the town clerk's office at least ten days before the date of the public hearing set forth below and shall remain so available until after the public hearing.

Section 3. The Board of Aldermen will hold a public hearing on the preliminary assessment roll on the 26th day of April, 1983, at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Hall, Carrboro, North Carolina for the purpose of hearing all interested persons who appear.

Section 4. A notice of the completion of the preliminary assessment roll, setting forth in general terms a description of the project, noting the availability of the assessment roll in the clerk's office and stating the time and place for a hearing on such assessment roll shall be published by the town clerk in the Chapel Hill Newspaper at least ten days before the date set for the public hearing.

Section 5. Not later than ten days before the date set for the public hearing, the town clerk shall also send by first class mail a notice of the public hearing on the preliminary assessment resolution to the property owners listed on such resolution. The notice shall state the date, time, and place of the hearing, note the availability of the preliminary assessment resolution for inspection in the clerk's office, and state the amount of the assessment against the property of the owner as shown on such assessment roll. The clerk shall file with the Board a certificate stating that the notices were mailed in accordance with this section.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote received the following vote and was duly adopted this 12th day of April, 1983.

AYES: Rose, White, Boone, Caldwell, Patterson, Garrett

NOES: None

ABSENT OR EXCUSED: None

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman Steve Rose and duly seconded by Alderman John Boone.

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE COSTS OF THE KING STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, ORDERING THE PREPARATION OF A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT ROLL, AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON SUCH ASSESSMENT ROLL.

WHEREAS, the Town has received a petition requesting that King Street between Barnes Street and Allen Street be improved in the following manner: Street Paving, Curb and Gutter; and

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has certified to this Board that said petition is sufficient in all respects, the same having been duly signed by at least a majority in number of the owners of property abutting the street to be improved who reside on that street, who own at least a majority of the lineal feet of frontage on the street to be improved that is owned by persons who reside on that street;

WHEREAS, a preliminary assessment resolution has been adopted by the Board and a public hearing duly held thereon;

WHEREAS, this Board adopted a resolution on the 14th day of September, 1982, directing that this project be undertaken, and the project has been completed in accordance with that resolution;

NOW THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CARRBORO RESOLVES:

Section 1. The cost of the above described improvement, exclusive of so much of the total cost as was incurred at street intersections, has been computed and is hereby declared to be \$36,159.00.

Section 2. The town clerk is hereby directed to prepare a preliminary assessment roll in accordance with G.S. 160A-227, showing the individual assessments upon properties benefited by the improvement. The assessment roll shall be made available for public inspection in the town clerk's office at least ten days before the date of the public hearing set forth below and shall remain so available until after the public hearing.

Section 3. The Board of Aldermen will hold a public hearing on the preliminary assessment roll on the 26th day of April, 1983, at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Hall, Carrboro, North Carolina for the purpose of hearing all interested persons who appear.

Section 4. A notice of the completion of the preliminary assessment roll, setting forth in general terms a description of the project, noting the availability of the assessment roll in the clerk's office and stating the time and place for a hearing on such assessment roll shall be published by the town clerk in the Chapel Hill Newspaper at least ten days before the date set for the public hearing.

Section 5. Not later than ten days before the date set for the public hearing, the town clerk shall also send by first class mail a notice of the public hearing on the preliminary assessment resolution to the property owners listed on such resolution. The notice shall state the date, time, and place of the hearing, note the availability of the preliminary assessment resolution for inspection in the clerk's office, and state the amount of the assessment against the property of the owner as shown on such assessment roll. The clerk shall file with the Board a certificate stating that the notices were mailed in accordance with this section.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote received the following vote and was duly adopted this 12th day of April, 1983.

AYES: Rose, Caldwell, White, Boone, Patterson, Garrett

NOES: None

ABSENT OR EXCUSED: None

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman Steve Rose and duly seconded by Alderman John Boone.

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE COSTS OF THE BIM STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, ORDERING THE PREPARATION OF A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT ROLL, AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON SUCH ASSESSMENT ROLL.

WHEREAS, Chapter 753 of the Session Laws of 1979 authorized the Board of Aldermen to levy special assessments for street improvements without awaiting a petition from abutting landowners with respect to unpaved streets that connect two paved streets; and

WHEREAS, Bim Street is an unpaved street connecting Jones Ferry Road (a paved street) with Fidelity Street (another paved street); and

WHEREAS, each member of the Board of Aldermen has personally inspected Bim Street; and

WHEREAS, based upon this inspection, the Board finds that the paving of Bim Street is necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare and cannot await a petition from adjacent landowners filed in accordance with G.S. 160A-217.

WHEREAS, a preliminary assessment resolution has been adopted by the Board and a public hearing duly held thereon;

WHEREAS, this Board adopted a resolution on the 14th day of September, 1982, directing that this project be undertaken, and the project has been completed in accordance with that resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CARRBORO RESOLVES:

Section 1. The cost of the above described improvement, exclusive of so much of the total cost as was incurred at street intersections, has been computed and is hereby declared to be \$16,255.00.

Section 2. The town clerk is hereby directed to prepare a preliminary assessment roll in accordance with G.S. 160A-227, showing the individual assessments upon properties benefited by the improvement. The assessment roll shall be made available for public inspection in the town clerk's office at least ten days before the date of the public hearing set forth below and shall remain so available until after the public hearing.

Section 3. The Board of Aldermen will hold a public hearing on the preliminary assessment roll on the 26th day of April, 1983, at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Hall, Carrboro, North Carolina for the purpose of hearing all interested persons who appear.

Section 4. A notice of the completion of the preliminary assessment roll, setting forth in general terms a description of the project, noting the availability of the assessment roll in the clerk's office and stating the time and place for a hearing on such assessment roll shall be published by the town clerk in the Chapel Hill Newspaper at least ten days before the date set for the public hearing.

Section 5. No later than ten days before the date set for the public hearing, the town clerk shall also send by first class mail a notice of the public hearing on the preliminary assessment resolution to the property owners listed on such resolution. The notice shall state the date, time, and place of the hearing, note the availability of the preliminary assessment resolution for inspection in the clerk's office, and state the amount of the assessment against the property of the owner as shown on such assessment roll. The clerk shall file with the Board a certificate stating that the notices were mailed in accordance with this section.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote received the following vote and was duly adopted this 12th day of April, 1983

AYES: Rose, White, Boone, Patterson, Caldwell, Garrett

NOES: None

ABSENT OR EXCUSED: None

Memorandum of Understanding for Transportation Planning

The Carrboro Board of Aldermen considered adoption of the Memorandum of Understanding for Cooperative, Comprehensive, and Continuing Transportation Planning between the Town and other governmental entities comprising the Durham Urbanized Area. The "Memorandum of Understanding", (MOU), establishes the organizational framework for carrying out these objectives. The City of Durham, the Town of Chapel Hill, Durham County, Orange County, the North Carolina Board of Transportation as well as the Town of Carrboro are parties to this agreement and are collectively known as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO).

RESOLUTION PASSED BY
THE TOWN BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF
CARRBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

The following resolution was offered by Steve Rose and seconded by John Boone and upon being put to a vote was carried unanimously on the 12th day of April, 1983:

THAT WHEREAS, it is recognized that the proper movement of travel within and through the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Urban Area is a highly desirable element of a comprehensive plan for the orderly growth and development of the ~~area~~ area; and

WHEREAS, there are a number of governmental jurisdictions within the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Urban Area which have been authorized implementation and regulatory responsibilities for transportation by North Carolina General Statutes; and

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WHEREAS, it is desirable that a coordinated, comprehensive, and cooperative transportation planning process be maintained in the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Urban Area to insure that the transportation system is maintained on an efficient and economical basis commensurate with the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Durham, Town of Chapel Hill, Town of Carrboro, The County of Durham, The County of Orange, and North Carolina Department of Transportation has been prepared that sets forth the responsibilities and working arrangements for maintaining a continuing, comprehensive, and cooperative transportation planning process; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CARRBORO, NORTH CAROLINA.

That the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Durham, Town of Chapel Hill, Town of Carrboro, The County of Durham, The County of Orange, and North Carolina Board of Transportation, agreement number 2-22-83, be approved and that the Town Manager and Town Clerk are hereby directed to execute the Memorandum of Understanding.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote received the following vote and was duly adopted this 12th day of April, 1983.

AYES: Rose, White, Boone, Patterson, Caldwell, Garrett

NOES: None

ABSENT OR EXCUSED: None

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Transportation Planning Funds Distribution Agreement

The Board of Aldermen will be considering an agreement that would allow transportation funds requested by Carrboro to flow through Chapel Hill. The agreement will not cost the Town any additional funds and the amount of money requested will not be affected. The amount of money under this agreement is \$3,902.00.

MOTION WAS MADE BY ERNIE PATTERSON AND SECONDED BY HILLIARD CALDWELL THAT THE TOWN MANAGER BE AUTHORIZED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

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Resolution Adopting the In-Town Portion of the Chapel Hill/Carrboro Thoroughfare Plan

The Board of Aldermen, at its worksession of April 6, 1983 requested that Carrboro's in-town portion of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Thoroughfare Plan be considered for adoption.

Preston Schiller, residing on South Greensboro Street, spoke in opposition to the Thoroughfare Plan.

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman Ernie Patterson and duly seconded by Aldermen Jim White.

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A THOROUGHFARE PLAN

WHEREAS, the Town and the N.C. Department of Transportation are directed by Section 136-66.2 of the North Carolina General Statutes to reach an agreement for a street system that will serve present and anticipated volumes of vehicular traffic in and around the Town and;

WHEREAS, it is recognized that the proper movement of traffic within and through the Towns of Carrboro and Chapel Hill is a highly desirable element of a comprehensive plan for the orderly growth and development of the urban area; and

WHEREAS, after full study of the plan, the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Carrboro feels it to be in the best interests of the Town to adopt at this time the portion of the plan relating to streets within the corporate limits of the Town of Carrboro, in anticipation of later adoption of the full plan after it has been approved by the Chapel Hill Town Council, and to recommend its adoption to the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CARRBORO RESOLVES:

Section 1. That portion of the proposed thoroughfare plan that relates to streets within the corporate limits of the Town of Carrboro, as shown on a map dated March 1, 1983 and prepared by the planning departments of the Towns of Carrboro and Chapel Hill with the cooperation of the Planning and Research Branch of the North Carolina Department of Transportation, is approved and adopted as a guide in the development of the street and highway system in the Chapel Hill-Carrboro urban area, and the same is hereby recommended to the North Carolina Department of Transportation for its subsequent adoption.

Section 2. This resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote received the following vote and was duly adopted this 12th day of April, 1983:

AYES: Rose, White, Boone, Caldwell, Patterson, Garrett

NOES: Nones

ABSENT OR EXCUSED: None

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Resolution Supporting the Continuation of the Federal Public Transportation Act of 1982

The administration requested adoption of a resolution supporting the continuation of the Federal Public Transportation Act of 1982.

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman John Boone and duly seconded by Alderman Steve Rose.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on January 6, 1983 President Reagan signed into law a major transportation infrastructure bill to include the Federal Public Transportation Act of 1982, all of which was designed with certain knowledge that investing in our highway and transit infrastructure can only strengthen America's future; and

WHEREAS, over the next ten years public transit's capital needs alone exceed \$5 billion per year to accomplish the necessary repair and replacement of decaying facilities and rolling stock, bus and rail system expansion and extension, and rail new start construction; and

WHEREAS, federal government remains an essential partner with state and local governments, transit operators, and the fare paying passenger in meeting in 1983 alone over \$8 billion in operating expenses; and

WHEREAS, the mounting needs of the economically disadvantaged, the transportation-dependent, the elderly and handicapped, and our nation's unemployed demand continued investment in public transportation to ensure that basic social needs are met; and

WHEREAS, a continued commitment to the improvement of public transit within a framework of balanced transportation investment is crucial to the growth of our national income, access to jobs, reduction of unemployment, increase in productivity, improvement in our balance of trade, increases in private investment, and reducing our dependence on foreign energy sources; and

WHEREAS, such a commitment will serve this nation through greater efficiencies at home and will, in turn, strengthen our cities and the country as a whole as both compete for economic advantage abroad; and

WHEREAS, the administration has proposed in its FY 1984 budget to cut back dramatically on the commitment agreed to only one month ago by: (1) deferring the expenditure of \$229 million on capital projects from gas tax funds; (2) cutting capital discretionary and block grant funding by 20 percent in 1984; and (3) cutting the level of federal operating assistance for 1984 by more than two-thirds and by eliminating it altogether the following year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CARRBORO THAT:

Section 1. That the Town's legislative delegation be requested to urgently call upon the United States Congress and the President to fully fund the commitments made in the Federal Public Transportation Act of 1982 thereby maintaining operating assistance as a key part of federal assistance and continuing capital discretionary and block grant funding at the levels authorized by Congress and so necessary to meet the needs of the public.

Section 2. This resolution shall be come effective upon adoption.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote received the following vote and was duly adopted this 12th day of April, 1983.

AYES: Steve Rose, Jim White, John Boone, Hilliard Caldwell, Ernie Patterson, Joyce Garrett

NOES: None

ABSENT OR EXCUSED: None

Speical Legislation

MOTION WAS MADE BY STEVE ROSE AND SECONDED BY ERNIE PATTERSON THAT THE TOWN WITHDRAW IT'S CURRENT REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LEGISLATION TO AMEND THE TOWN CHARTER TO ALLOW THE TOWN TO RAISE THE VEHICLE TAX TO \$5.00, AND THAT THE TOWN REQUEST A GENERAL STATUTE AMENDMENT TO ALLOW THE TOWN TO RAISE THE VEHICLE TAX TO \$5.00. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE FIVE, NEGATIVE NONE (GARRETT)

Cable T.V. Compromise

Mayor Drakeford stated that he had received a letter from the Mayor of New York City asking Carrboro to oppose the National League of Cities' proposal for a compromise with Cable T.V. systems.

Town Facilities

Mayor Drakeford stated that he had received a request from Congressman Andrew's office requesting the use of the Town Hall board room to have a representative from Congressman Andrew's office available to answer questions from citizens.

MOTION WAS MADE BY ERNIE PATTERSON AND SECONDED BY STEVE ROSE THAT CONGRESSMAN ANDREW'S OFFICE BE AUTHQRIZED TO USE THE TOWN HALL BOARD ROOM. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Sarah C. Williamson [Signature]
TOWN CLERK MAYOR