

TOWN OF MAXTON
NORTH CAROLINA

March 28, 2007
3:30 PM

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING

The Maxton Board of Commissioners met for a Special Meeting with the following members present:

Mayor Lillie McKoy
Mayor Pro Tem Geraldine McLaurin
Commissioner Gladys Dean
Commissioner Ray Oxendine
Commissioner Sallie McLean
Commissioner Patsy Hamer

Absent: None

Staff present: Interim Town Manager Katrina Tatum, Interim Clerk Jacqueline Roberson

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lillie McKoy declared a quorum present and called the April 28, 2007 Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the purpose of personnel issues and other items of business that may be discussed to order at 3:30 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem McLaurin gave the invocation.

Mayor McKoy asked that when we are giving information about buildings in Town that we give the correct information (example: freight building). She suggested that we suggest persons speak to Ms. Irma McPherson.

Public Comment

Mayor McKoy opened the floor for public comment.

Hubert Ellis, South Patterson Street - He stated that he is begging that the Town hire Interim Manager Tatum as the permanent Town Manager. He spoke of her caliber, effectiveness and superb reporting, just to name a few things.

Effie McEachin, 301 Croom Road - Mrs. McEachin stated that she recommends and hopes the Board hires Interim Manager Tatum as permanent Town Manager. Things are happening. The Town is much cleaner and that the decision the Board makes will affect the Town.

Deila Quaison, Business Owner – She stated that she would like to see Interim Manager Tatum become the permanent Town Manager. There has been a change in the community since she has been in Maxton. She went on to talk about prayer in the Town and that God is about to do great things.

Minnie Miller, N. Florence St. – She stated that she made the request to hire Interim Manager Tatum when she stood before the Board at a previous meeting. Ms. Tatum has been of great service to the community. She went on to say that if she is not hired that one day she will be in one of the commissioner seats.

Helen McPhatter, E. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive – She stated that she hopes the Board will hire Interim Manager Tatum for the permanent Town Manager position speaking particularly of Ms. Tatum’s involvement with the 74 Community. We hired Mr. Pearson twice, and a young man who was briefly and that we should give her a chance.

James McEachin, 301 Croom Road – He stated that we know that Ms. Tatum is qualified. He doesn’t ever remember the citizens coming together to support someone for a job. When we look at the list of Ms. Tatum’s accomplishments of just what she has done since she has been here, we can understand why she is the person for the job. He asked that Board remember that election time is coming up.

CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Pro Tem McLaurin motioned that the Board go into Closed Session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (6). Commissioner Dean seconded. The vote was unanimous. The Board proceeded to the upstairs Council Chambers to interview applicants for the Town Manager position. The Board returned to Open Session. Mayor McKoy directed Interim Town Clerk Roberson to proceed with background searches on the applicants that were interviewed.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McKoy entertained the motion to adjourn. Commissioner McLean motioned to adjourn at 6:00 p.m. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McLaurin. Motioned carried.

Mayor Lillie McKoy

Interim Clerk Jacqueline Roberson