

TOWN OF DALLAS
MINUTES FOR BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
JANUARY 24, 2017
5:00 PM

The following elected officials were present: Mayor Coleman, Alderman Cearley, Alderman Huggins, Alderwoman Morrow, and Alderman Withers. Alderwoman Thomas was absent.

The following staff members were present: Maria Stroupe, Town Manager; Da'Sha Leach, Town Clerk; Doug Huffman, Electric Director and Bill Trudnak, Public Works Director. Crystal Certain, Finance Director; Anne Martin, Recreation Director; Tom Hunn, Town Attorney; Allen Scott, Police Chief; Martine Vaca, Development Services Director and Steve Lambert, Fire Chief was absent.

Mayor Coleman called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Mayor Coleman opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Coleman asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. Mayor Coleman suggested to add C for Irrigation at the Court House and D for a Closed Session under New Business Section for discussion and possible decision. Alderwoman Morrow made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Alderman Withers, and carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda: None

Public Hearings: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

Item 6A was for a Change Order/Budget Amendment for Line Rebuild Project. It was discovered in the Line Circuit Rebuild Project, that it would be a benefit to the Town to amend the contract to upgrade the conductor used across Hwy 321 Bridge. The contract can be completed as planned, but there is an opportunity to upgrade this span for the future of Dallas. The original contract called for 75 days, with a fee of \$500 per day in liquidated damages for every day that the project exceeds the original 75 days. At this time, the project is on track to go approximately 100 days over schedule. This will yield the Town approximately \$50,000 in liquidated damages. This would mean the entire project costs would be reduced by this amount. The proposed contract amendment is estimated at \$23,949 to position the Town for future growth. Although, this will be processed as a change order and the budget amended, at the end of the project Dallas should still realize a total project cost of approximately \$25,000 under the originally budgeted project cost, due to the collection of liquidated damages. They are aware of the liquidated damages. The total days projected for completion will be 175 days with 100 days of liquidated damages at \$500 per day. (Exhibit A)

Alderman Huggins made a motion to upgrade, seconded by Alderwoman Morrow, and carried unanimously.

Item 6B was for a Grant Opportunity for Water Plant Feasibility Study. The Feasibility Study will determine the viability of Dallas providing capacity from the Water Treatment Plant to sister municipalities. The grant is a \$50,000 no match grant. This would be for the full amount of the study, with no financial investment from Dallas. The Town of Stanley approached Dallas requesting to purchase the Dallas Water Plant capacity. Stanley currently purchases water from Mt. Holly at a premium. This Feasibility Study does not obligate the Town to provide the service, it just provides a look at the current system with recommendations. The grant is \$50,000 and other municipalities applied and received it. The service provided to any other municipalities will be metered as well as they will help pay for the cost of managing the plant and assist with costs for any capital upgrades to the plant. Alamance County has two towns with this arrangement, Graham and Mevin. Town Manager and Staff could make contact the towns to see how this arrangement is working. Town Manager and Staff

recommends the Feasibility Study to see if this is an option, it would be beneficial to all parties in the aspect of cost sharing. Staff Mr. Trudnak believes an upgrade will be needed to handle the capacity of Dallas and Stanley. Dallas is producing 1 million gallons per day and using a little over half. Stanley is using approximately the same as Dallas so this would require the Town to produce more than one million per day. Marty Wilson of Rural Water Development is the contact and he will be invited to a work session to answer any questions the Board may have. The consensus from the Board is to proceed with the Feasibility Study. Dallas pulls water from the South Fort and this is a good water source with no draft issues. Another sister municipality Ranlo is interested in the connection to the Water Plant as well. There is already a connection point ready for Ranlo, they currently purchase water from City of Gastonia at a premium.

Item 6C was regarding Irrigation at the Court House by LandMasters. A map was available for review to look at the irrigation system. Due to multiple cuts to the current irrigation system and the need to upgrade the electrical locations, it is time to replace the irrigation system. The electrical department need to make their installations before the irrigation system is put in place to ensure there are no cuts to the system once it is in place. Installing better electrical access points allows for the proper depth so there will be no need to install after the new water line is installed. This would mean the area would only go through one re-seeding after all work is completed. The old system will be removed from areas where the new line is coming in. The projected timeframe is expected to be completed before the event schedule takes place. Staff Mr. Huffman states that the Town owns most of the supplies for the installation but there will be some expenses to purchase items not in the current inventory. Due to another project, there will be \$6-7,000 coming back in liquidated damages that can be used to offset any cost that arise. The installation might affect the Easter Egg Hunt, if there are many weather delays. There will not be a car show on April 8th, this date will be revised Special Event for another day in the future. There is money in the Dallas Historic Courthouse Foundation to cover some ground maintenance. The planter installation and benches will be in soon. The Dallas Historic Courthouse Foundation will be help pay for the benches so they will have Historic Dallas engraved in the benches.

Item 6D: Closed Session

Alderman Withers made a motion to go into a closed session §143-318.11 to discuss matters relating to the location of expansion of industries or other businesses in an area served by this public body, seconded by Alderman Huggins, and carried unanimously. (5:30)

Alderman Cearley made a motion to exit the closed session, seconded by Alderwoman Morrow, and carried unanimously. (5:42) No Action Was Taken.

Manager's Report

Maria Stroupe updates:

-Retreat reminder on Feb.4th at 9am

-COG Class available for any Board member interested. Please decide soon so the Town can take advantage of a cost savings now, class will be more expensive close to the class date.

Alderman Huggins made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderwoman Morrow, and carried unanimously. (5:43)



Rick Coleman, Mayor



Da'Sha Leach, Town Clerk



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**Amendment No. 1
to
Contract Documents
for**

Town of Dallas, NC – 15 kV Electric Distribution Line Labor and Equipment

Contract Date: February 5, 2016**Owner:** Town of Dallas, North Carolina**Contractor:** T&D Solutions, LLC**Engineer:** Progressive Engineering Consultants, Inc.

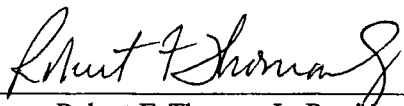
By this Amendment, the following modification associated with the Installation of the 15kV Electric Distribution Line Labor and Equipment shall be included as part of the contract dated February 5, 2016.

- In accordance with the Contract Documents, the additional units necessary to complete the reconductoring of five spans of 2/0 ACSR conductor with five spans of 336.4 ACSR conductor, including the replacement of two additional poles, shall be allowed to complete the crossing over Hwy 321 with cost of the construction as follows:

Original Contract Price	\$ 336,121.20
Total Addition Amendment No. 1	\$ 23,948.96
Total Deletion this Amendment	\$ 0
Total Revised Estimated Contract Price	\$ 360,070.16

Recommended:

PROGRESSIVE ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS, INC.

By 
Robert F. Thomas, Jr, President

Date January 18, 2017**Accepted:**

T&D SOLUTIONS, LLC

By _____
Hugh Sutton, Vice President

Date _____

Approved:

TOWN OF DALLAS, NORTH CAROLINA

By _____
Maria Stroupe, Town Manager

Date _____

Town of Dallas
Budget Amendment

Date: January 24, 2017

Action: Electric Fund Amendment

Purpose: Change Order for Line Circuit Rebuild Project

Number: EL-003

Fund	Dept	Line Item	Item Description	Original Amount	Amended Amount	Difference
30	3999	0000	Fund Balance Appropriated	\$368,872	\$392,821	\$23,949
30	8500	7312	Cap. Outlay: Relocate Lines	\$365,992	\$389,941	\$23,949

Totals	\$734,864	\$782,762	\$47,898
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Approval Signature
(Town Manager)