

MINUTES FOR BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

June 10th, 2014

6:00 PM

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

The following staff members were present: Jim Palenick, Interim Town Manager; Maria Stroupe, Administrative Services Director; Town Attorney, Tom Hunn; Gary Buckner, Police Chief; Bill Trudnak, Public Works Director; Steve Lambert, Fire Chief; Doug Huffman, Electric Director; and Anne Martin, Recreation Director. David Kahler, Community Development Director was absent.

The Mayor Coleman called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

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

Mayor Coleman asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. There were no changes to the agenda. Mr. Huggins made a motion to approve the agenda presented, seconded by Mr. Withers, and carried unanimously.

Mr. Withers made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 13, 2014 regular meeting, the May 15, 2014 budget work session, the May 20, 2014 budget work session, and the May 27, 2014 work session; seconded by Mr. Huggins, and carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda:

Item 5A was a request to approve the Fourth of July Celebration. Traditionally, the Town has supported a Fourth of July Fireworks Display and Celebration, which has been largely sponsored by the contributions of a group of Town benefactors and aided by the support of Town in-kind services. This year, the event would begin at approximately 9:00 pm (dusk) at Cloninger Park on S. Oakland St. There will be music for several hours preceding the event. Mr. Huggins made a motion to approve the event as presented, seconded by Mr. Withers, and carried unanimously. Mr. Huggins made a motion to approve the event as presented, seconded by Mr. Withers, and carried unanimously.

Item 5B was a request to approve a resolution to seek NCDOT financial and regulatory support for the Town-initiated signalization and crosswalk upgrades at Trade & Holland and Trade & Gaston. This resolution will be forwarded to the Town's State Representatives for consideration. (Exhibit A) Mr. Withers made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Huggins, and carried by the following vote: Yays – Mr. Huggins, Ms. Morrow, and Mr. Withers. Nays – Mr. Cearley and Ms. Duff.

Recognition of Citizens:

Ms. Norma Freyre, Director of AVID of Gaston County, spoke not as a representative of AVID, but as a Gaston County citizen. She asked that the Board consider changing the policy for utility turn on. The current policy requires two items of identification, as well as documentation of control of the property (lease agreement or settlement statement). She stated that the two items of identification are difficult for undocumented residents to produce, since the State of North Carolina changed the law, making it more difficult for undocumented residents to obtain driver's licenses or state identification cards. Ms. Freyre presented a petition requesting the policy change. She also introduced Mr. Angel Ayala, pastor of RB Ministries in Gastonia, who spoke in support of her position.

Ms. Taffi Revels, daughter of Dallas resident Mr. Ron Bess, requested approval for an event scheduled for Saturday, June 14, 2104 at 113 N. Gaston St. This event is a fund raiser benefit for her father. (Exhibit B) Mr. Cearley made a motion to approve the event, including the in-kind services requested by Ms. Revels; seconded by Ms. Morrow, and carried unanimously.

Mr. Daniel Britton, North Gaston Community Athletic Foundation Member, spoke concerning a community pep rally previously approved by the Board of Aldermen for August 16, 2014. Mr. Britton submitted a request for financial and in-kind services from the Town in support of this event. (Exhibit C) He stated that the event is for all youth of Dallas, and as such stated that he wanted to change the name from "North Gaston Community Pep Rally" to "Dallas Community Pep Rally", effective immediately to reflect a broader scope for the event. In addition to in-kind services, Mr. Britton is requesting \$1000 from the Town to help de-fray expenses; particularly to be used to obtain a couple of porta-johns (1 handicapped) and some musical entertainment. Mr. Palenick stated that information had been obtained from the School of Government outlining uses for public funds and referred to Mr. Hunn for an opinion. Mr. Hunn stated that public funds are to be used for public purposes. The original representation of this event seemed to be for a special interest group, as opposed to a public purpose. Based on some changes to the event, as presented now by Mr. Britton, the event seems to have been expanded to the general community. The Board should evaluate the event as to whether it serves a public purpose and if the expenditure of the requested funds is fiscally responsible. Ms. Duff made a motion to approve the event as presented, including donating \$1000 to the event; seconded by Mr. Cearley, and carried unanimously.

Mr. Dave Hoyle, Philadelphia Church Road, Dallas spoke to the Board concerning the annual Fourth of July Fireworks Display and Celebration. Each year, the event has grown in scope. This event originated with a group of citizens, but as the event has grown, the group is having increased difficulty staffing and funding the event. After the celebration for July 2014, Mr. Hoyle would like to sit down with Town officials and discuss possible increased Town involvement and sponsorship of the event. Currently, the Town provides musical entertainment prior to the event, police and fire presence, financial support for volunteers to obtain the required licenses, porta-johns, street closures, and event clean up. Mr. Huggins asked for an estimate of the current costs of the fireworks and supplies. Mr. Hoyle stated that the materials would retail for approximately \$12,000-\$15,000, but since they were purchased in bulk, the actual costs were somewhat less than that figure. There were other costs associated with pick-up, transport, and set up of the fireworks. Mayor Coleman suggested that a meeting be set for Monday, July 7, 2014 to begin the discussions concerning the 2015 event.

Recognition of Employees:

Item 7A was recognition of Bryon Love for 10 years of service with the Town of Dallas. Bryon was hired on May 24, 2004 as a Street/Solid Waste Maintenance Worker with the Town's Public Works Department and continues in this capacity today. Mayor Coleman presented Bryon with a certificate of appreciation for his service to the Town. (Exhibit D)

Item 7B was recognition of Billy Harrelson for 10 years of service with the Town of Dallas. Billy was hired on May 17, 2004 as a Street/Solid Waste Maintenance Worker with the Town's Public Works Department and continues in this capacity today. Mayor Coleman presented Bryon with a certificate of appreciation for his service to the Town. (Exhibit E)

Public Hearing:

Item 8A was consideration of an Ordinance to Amend Chapter 91, "General Nuisance", Section 91.02, Noises Expressly Prohibited, to define prolonged dog barking as "excessive" and a nuisance violation. (Exhibit F) Mr. Withers made a motion to enter into a public hearing, seconded by Ms. Morrow, and carried unanimously. Mr. Henkle Rhyne, 502 N. Holland St., stated that he represented 15 residents of N. Holland St. and presented a petition

from the residents in complaint of a dog at 601 N. Holland St. that is a nuisance due to its barking. He has been reporting this animal since June 2013. Mr. Reid Simms, 503 N. Holland St., stated that he believes the ordinance change is a step in the right direction to correct this problem. Mr. Rhyne stated that he would like to see the property owner, as well as the owner of the animals, liable under this ordinance (in the event that the residence is rental property). Mr. Hunn stated that liability would be with the owner of the animal only, and that the property owner could not be liable. The Police Department would enforce the ordinance, as with all Town ordinances. If cited, a resident would be ticketed and assessed a fine. Subsequent citations would result in ever increasing fines, which if not paid would result in court appearances. Mr. Withers made a motion to exit the public hearing, seconded by Ms. Morrow, and carried unanimously. Mr. Withers made a motion to approve the amendment as presented to Chapter 91, "General Nuisance", Section 91.02, Noises Expressly Prohibited; seconded by Ms. Morrow, and carried unanimously.

Item 8B was consideration of the Fiscal Year 2014-2105 Town Budget Ordinance. (Action on the ordinance will be undertaken during New Business.) Mr. Withers made a motion to enter into a public hearing, seconded by Ms. Duff, and carried unanimously. Mr. Palenick read through the proposed Budget Ordinance. (Exhibit G) Mr. Cearley asked for clarification on the percentage that water/sewer rates would increase. Mr. Palenick stated that the increase would be 3%. There was a 3 1/2% increase in the current FY 2013-2014. Mr. Withers made a motion to exit the public hearing, seconded by Ms. Duff, and carried unanimously.

Old Business:

Item 9A was a request from Mr. Palenick to reschedule the July Board Meeting and to cancel the July Work Session. He will be on vacation and out the State from June 26th through July 8th. By rescheduling the Board Meeting from July 8th to July 15th would allow him to create the agenda packet upon his return and attend the meeting. The regularly scheduled work session would be held on July 22nd, but if the meeting is rescheduled to the 15th, a work session one week later should not be necessary. Mr. Huggins made a motion to reschedule the July Board Meeting from July 8th to July 15th and to cancel the July Work Session, seconded by Ms. Duff, and carried unanimously.

New Business:

Item 10A was approval of an amended Water/Sewer Rate Schedule incorporating a 3% rate increase effective July 1, 2014. This item was discussed in detail during the Budget Work Sessions. This is fully in keeping with the overall plan and policy put forward when the \$5+ Million Water-Line Improvement Project and \$3.6 Million, 20-year Bond supporting its financing was approved. At that time, it was stated that a minimum of 12 – 15% rate increases would be required to support the costs of project, but that the increases would be phased in over a period of 3 – 5 years, instead of increasing rates the entire amount at one time. The first 3 1/2% increase was effective within the current FY 2013-14 budget year, this proposal will be the second increase at 3%, with at least two more similar increases in the next upcoming budget years. These added revenues are required to pay the \$255,000+ in yearly debt service on the water bonds which are payable in the FY 2013-2014 budget year, as well as each of the succeeding 19 budget years. Ms. Duff made a motion to approve the 3% water/sewer rate increase to be effective July 1, 2014, seconded by Mr. Withers, and carried by the following vote: Yays – Cearley, Duff, Huggins, and Withers. Nays – Morrow.

Item 10B was a request to approve restructuring the Electric Rate Schedule, which will not net any increase in revenues, as recommended by Consultant Ed Tucker. Approximately 5 months ago, the Town engaged the services of a professional utility rate expert and consultant, Mr. Ed Tucker, to evaluate the overall rate structure used by the Town's Electric Utility in assessing retail charges to our customers. The goal was to be sure that the Town is properly and fairly recouping costs based on demands on the system. Following Mr. Tucker's review and report there are some rather minor adjustments that need to be made to better assure that that overall structure is fair and equitable to all classes of customers. The net result will be to slightly alter certain classes of

customers, depending on usage, either up or down, but not to increase the overall revenues generated. For most residential customers and larger industrial customers, the tendency is for the rates to go down, while some of the larger commercial users may trend slightly up. This kind of analysis and restructuring for equity purposes was long overdue, and the resultant changes are recommended by Staff. Mr. Cearley made a motion to approve the Electric Rate Restructuring as presented by Mr. Tucker to be effective July 1, 2014, seconded by Mr. Withers, and carried by the following vote: Yays – Cearley, Duff, Huggins, and Withers. Nays – Morrow.

Item 10C was a request to adopt the Town Fee Schedule for FY 2014-15. There are no recommended increases to fees, licenses, permits, and service charges currently reflected on the Fee Schedule. (Exhibit H) This schedule, though there are no recommended changes, is to be formally adopted for the upcoming fiscal year. Ms. Morrow made a motion to adopt the FY 2014-15 Fee Schedule as presented, seconded by Mr. Withers, and carried unanimously.

Item 10D, was approval of the FY 2014-15 Town Budget. All funds combine for a proposed budget of \$15,070,904. (Exhibit G) The budget process began in March and included two work sessions in May to result in the proposed budget, which by state law must be balanced with revenues and expenditures. The proposed budget meets all legal criteria. Mr. Huggins made a motion to approve the FY 2014-15 Town Budget as presented, seconded by Mr. Withers, and carried unanimously.

Item 10E, was a request to declare as surplus and offer for public sale certain Police equipment and found property. This includes various items that are no longer of use or of effective value to the Town. They will be offered on the GovDeals website to the highest bidder and all proceeds will be returned to the General Fund. Mr. Withers made a motion to declare as surplus and offer for public sale the proposed Police equipment and found property, seconded by Ms. Morrow, and carried unanimously.

Item 10F, was appointment of a Steering Committee for involvement with the development of a Comprehensive Land Use Master Plan. The process has begun to fully update and amend the Town's Comprehensive Land Use Master Plan. It is necessary and appropriate to appoint a Steering Committee to work with the consultant in making certain that the final outcome/work-product is consistent with community goals, values, and objectives. The committee should consist of 9 – 11 total individuals and be made up of representatives of the Board of Aldermen, the Planning Board, and Community Representatives. The group will likely meet with the consultant 3 – 4 times during the process. Mr. Huggins made a motion to form the committee, seconded by Ms. Morrow, and carried unanimously. Board members are to submit names for consideration to Mayor Coleman within the next two weeks.

Item 10G was approval of budget amendments to the FY 2013-14 Town Budget. In order to properly account for changes to the FY 2013-14 budget, budget amendments were presented by Ms. Stroupe to the General Fund and to the Water/Sewer Fund. (Exhibit I) It is not uncommon for events to occur during the budget year that require changes to the original budget. Mr. Withers made a motion to approve the budget amendments as presented, seconded by Ms. Morrow, and carried unanimously.

Mr. Palenick gave a Manager's Report, noting current projects. The Board gave the Manager direction to solicit bids from auditors for the FY 2013-14 Annual Audit, with awarding of such bids to be on the July Board Meeting agenda.

Mr. Withers made a motion to enter into a closed session as provided for by G.S. § 143-318.11 to consult with the Town Attorney concerning pending litigation, seconded by Mr. Huggins, and carried unanimously. (8:06)

Mr. Withers made a motion to exit the closed session, seconded by Ms. Duff, and carried unanimously. (8:28) No action was taken.

Mr. Withers made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Duff, and carried unanimously. (8:33)

Rick Coleman, Mayor

Maria Stroupe, Town Clerk

TOWN OF DALLAS, NORTH CAROLINA

**Resolution to Request Financial and Regulatory Support From the
North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) For
Installation of Signalization and Crosswalk Improvements on
NC275/279 (Trade Street) in Dallas.**

Whereas, The Town of Dallas, in its approved, FY2014-2015 Budget, has included local funding in the amount of \$360,000 (\$180,000 for each intersection) for signalization and crosswalk improvements along the NCDOT-owned and controlled section of NC275/279 (Trade Street) in Dallas at the intersections of Trade & Holland, and Trade & Gaston, and;

Whereas, while the intersections in question are not the regulatory or maintenance responsibility of the Town of Dallas, we nonetheless feel strongly enough committed to improving both the aesthetics and pedestrian safety of these heavily-traveled intersections as to commit significant local resources to assure completion of the project, and;

Whereas, to ultimately achieve the successful completion of this project we need the regulatory cooperation and approval of the NCDOT, along with some limited financial participation, wherein the NCDOT will expeditiously review and approve plans for, and schedule construction of the work, and the Town will pay for all items and costs deemed "aesthetic" or "upgrades beyond policy requirement", while NCDOT is requested to contribute an amount sufficient to cover items or costs deemed for "safety" or "maintenance and replacement", and;

Whereas, we further request NCDOT consideration of the allowance, with pre-approval based on adequate engineering and technical specifications, of certain ornamental crosswalk paving or paving application materials which, based on recent development, could decrease overall project costs.

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved, That the Mayor & Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dallas do hereby officially request the regulatory and financial support of the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT), along with their regional Division and engineering staff, for the expedited improvement to the signalized intersections listed consistent with the details described herein.

Approved This 8th Day of June, 2014

Ayes:

Nays:

Attest: _____

EXHIBIT B

Mr. Jim Palenick
Manager, Town of Dallas

June 1, 2014

Mr. Palenick,

Please accept this letter as my request for the Town of Dallas to partner with me, along with many other members of our close knit community, in sponsoring and holding a benefit event for a long time resident of Dallas, Mr. Ron Bess. Mr. Bess is suffering from liver cancer and has been given approximately three (3) months to live without a liver transplant. My goal is to raise funds to help with his medical costs. The Town's partnership would greatly increase the success of this benefit event.

Mr. Bess is a well known and well respected member of the Dallas community. He contributed his services as a volunteer fireman in this area for many years. He was also a contractor for the Town of Dallas for years. He is both a business and a residential property owner in Dallas and has done his share of contributing to the overall betterment of this community.

Family and friends of Mr. Bess are planning an event including a car wash, bake sale, hot dog sale, auction and, if possible, a musical venue. All proceeds from the entire event will go toward the costs associated with his rising medical bills.

If partnered with the Town of Dallas, we would ask for the following contributions from the Town:

- Cordon off a sufficient area of street surrounding the event which will be held at 113 S. Gaston Ave., Dallas, NC 28034.
- Provide trash receptacles for public use.
- Advertise the event on the electronic billboard on the Town Square.
- Provide a porta-potty for public use.
- Provide on-foot law enforcement for the event.

I have already secured permission from adjacent business owners, all of which are in complete support of this event. Those business owners, and many others alike, have already donated or pledged items for sale or auction. Many other members of the community have pledged their services the day of the event.

Mr. Palenick, I appreciate your consideration and I look forward to presenting my requests to the board at the June 10, 2014 Town of Dallas board meeting at 6pm.

I appreciate any and all help that I receive in this endeavor.

With kind regards,
Taffi Jo Bess Revels

Taffi Jo Bess Revels

NGCAF

North Gaston Community Athletic Foundation
PO Box 877
Dallas, NC 28034

Town of Dallas Board Members:

As instructed by the town manager I am writing to request assistance in funding for the North Gaston Community Pep Rally which will be held on August 16, 2014. This will be the third year of our event and each year we are drawing bigger crowds. Many of our local churches get involved and use this event to hand out donated school supplies.

We invite each school (Carr, Costner, WC Friday and North Gaston) to use this time to hand out important school information such as bus routes, contact numbers, schedules and policies. We begin in the afternoon at 3pm and conclude at 7:30pm.

Our funding request is to help offset the cost of a band which plays for the first several hours and for port a johns. The request amount is \$1000.00. Receipts and records will be kept and any funds not used will be returned to the town.

Our organization was formed to assist each of our Dallas schools with athletic needs. We are not an extension of the school based athletic boosters clubs but a separate entity, not connected to the school system.

The date for our event was approved at an earlier board meeting and a request has been made for the foundation to partner with the town for this event. We view this event as a community service project, getting our youth ready for the beginning of school and helping to instill a sense of school & community pride. We hope you will honor this request for funds and join us in the event.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Britton

Member of the North Gaston Athletic Community Foundation

C E R T I F I C A T E O F A P P R E C I A T I O N

This certificate is awarded to

BRYON LAMAR LOVE

in recognition of his 10th anniversary with the Town of Dallas on May 20, 2014
and in gratitude for his years of dedication and service

TOWN OF DALLAS



Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

This certificate is awarded to

BILLY DEAN HARRISON

in recognition of his 10th anniversary with the Town of Dallas on May 17, 2014
and in gratitude for his years of dedication and service

TOWN OF DALLAS



Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

**An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 91, "General Nuisance" of the Compiled Code
of Ordinances of the Town of Dallas, North Carolina**

Whereas, Following a properly-noticed public hearing before the Board of Aldermen, held on June 10, 2014, and in consideration of the information and research materials received and reviewed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, By the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dallas, North Carolina, that the Compiled Code of Town Ordinances is Hereby Amended as follows:

That, Chapter 91, "General Nuisance", Section 91.02, Noises Expressly Prohibited , Subsection (B) (2), be amended by its repeal and replacement with new language to read:

"(B) Noises Expressly Prohibited:

(2) The keeping of any animal, including but not limited to dogs, cats, and/or birds, which habitually and regularly barks, howls, whines, cries, or mews in an excessive manner ("excessive" to be defined as one or more times per minute, each minute, during any one or more continuous ten-minute period) so as to result in the documented annoyance to neighboring residents and which interferes with the reasonable use and enjoyment of the premises occupied by such residents. "

YEAS:

NAYS:

Attest: _____ Signed: _____

EXHIBIT G(1)

BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF DALLAS

**For:
Fiscal-Year 2014-2015**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF DALLAS,
NORTH CAROLINA THAT:**

SECTION 1: The schedules of expenditures listed in this ordinance are hereby appropriated for the operation and activities of the general town government for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for the Town of Dallas.

Administration	\$ 198,139
Community Development	242,893
Building and Grounds	90,535
Courthouse	187,170
Police	1,183,105
Fire	397,539
Street	558,608
Recreation	327,042
Solid Waste	<u>393,153</u>
	\$ 3,578,184

SECTION 2: The schedules of revenues listed in this ordinance are established as an estimate to be available for the General Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013.

Current and Prior Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 1,030,500
Motor Vehicle Licenses	15,755
Privilege Licenses	3,900
Powell Bill Allocation	128,940
Interest Earnings: Powell Bill	25
Interest Earnings: General	4,400
Arrest Fees	800
Franchises Taxes	116,056
Telecommunications Sales tax	76,028
Video Programming Sales Tax	17,404
Recreation Revenue	70,000
Gaston County Hold Harmless	172,862
Local Option Sales Tax 1c	325,453
Solid Waste Collection Fee	321,000
Extra Call-in and Bag Sale	8,440
Natural Gas Excise Tax	16,697
Zoning Fees	3,500
Solid Waste Disposal Tax	2,930
Alcohol/Beverage Tax	19,863
ABC Wholesale Dist.	4,973

EXHIBIT G(2)

NC Grant Fire Dept.	30,000
NCIRMA Safety Grant	750
Fund Balance	456,532
Contribution from Electric Fund	542,226
Private Contrib. – Courthouse	168,850
Courthouse Rental Fees	8,800
EVMB Sign Revenues	3,600
Miscellaneous & Other	<u>27,900</u>
	\$ 3,578,184

SECTION 3. The schedules of expenditures listed in this ordinance are hereby appropriated for the operations of the Water and Sewer Enterprise Utility Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for the Town of Dallas.

Total Water and Sewer Operations:	\$ 1,519,478
Water Plant:	533,681
Sewer Plant:	<u>383,391</u>
TOTAL WATER AND SEWER:	\$2,436,550

SECTION 4: The schedule of revenues listed in this ordinance are established as an estimate to be available in the Water and Sewer Enterprise Utility Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014.

Water Revenue	\$ 1,462,080
Sewer Revenue	778,610
Other	8,000
Late Charge	72,000
Water Taps	10,400
Sewer Taps	10,400
Antenna Lease	70,760
Fund Balance	<u>24,300</u>
	\$2,436,550

SECTION 5. The schedule of expenditures listed in this ordinance are hereby appropriated for the operation of the Electric Enterprise Utility Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for the Town of Dallas.

Electrical	8,938,957
	\$8,938,957

SECTION 6: The schedule of revenues listed in this ordinance are established as an estimate to be available for the Electric Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015.

Electric Charge	\$6,839,800
Sales Tax on Power Bills	478,790
T-2 Light Charges	141,000
Service Charge	56,900
Electric Charge from Other Departments (reimbursement)	134,000
Written Off Accounts	26,000

EXHIBIT G(3)

Customer-billed Charges	6,000
Interest on Investment	8,750
Pole Rental Fees	17,860
Miscellaneous & Other	1,000
Sale of Surplus property	6,000
Grant Revenue – NC Solar	30,840
Fund Balance	<u>1,192,017</u>

\$ 8,938,957

SECTION 7: The schedule of expenditures listed in this ordinance are hereby appropriated for the operation of the Storm Water Enterprise Utility Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for the Town of Dallas.

Operations	\$49,943
Professional Services	11,520
Maintenance & Repair	12,000
Capital Outlay	<u>43,750</u>
	\$117,213

SECTION 8: The schedule of revenues listed in this ordinance are established as an estimate to be available for the Storm Water Enterprise Utility Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013.

Storm Water Charges	\$ 78,540
Fund Balance	<u>38,673</u>
	\$ 117,213

SECTION 9: There is hereby levied a tax at the rate of thirty-eight cents (\$0.38) per one hundred dollars (\$100) assessed valuation of property listed for Taxes as of January 1, 2015, for the purpose of raising the revenue listed as "Current Ad Valorem Taxes" and "Vehicle Taxes" in the General Fund. The County of Gaston shall collect these taxes for the Town. In addition, Motor Vehicle Tag License fees shall remain at \$5.00 per vehicle.

SECTION 10: That the local sales tax shall be accounted as a Revenue in the General Fund.

SECTION 11: That the Solid Waste collection fees, Recreation fees, Zoning and Planning permit and review Fees, Privilege License fees, Utility fees, and any and all other Town-imposed fees shall be set in accordance with the duly-adopted Fee Schedule for the Town of Dallas.

SECTION 11: To allow the Town Manager to make line item adjustments within the funds. Any transfer of money between funds, however, shall be accomplished exclusively by action of the Board of Aldermen.. The 2014-2015 Fiscal Year Budget hereby establishes Funds and Departments as shown in the Budget Document.

SECTION 12: Copies of this Budget Ordinance, with detailed Fund and Department accounts, shall be furnished to the Town Clerk, to the Board of Aldermen, and to the Town Manager, to be kept by them for their direction on disbursement of funds:

EXHIBIT G(4)

SECTION 13: That a properly-noticed Public Hearing was held on June 10, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the Town's Fire Department Building.

Motion by Alderman _____ to adopt the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year Budget Ordinance. Seconded by Alderman _____ and carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Adopted this 10th day of June, 2014.

Mayor Rick Coleman

Attested:

Maria Stroupe, Town Clerk

**Town of Dallas
Schedule of Fees and Charges
2014-2015**

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Electric Connection Fees

Temporary (for construction)	\$30.00
Permanent	\$30.00
Underground	\$30.00
Change from Over Head to Underground (See Public Utilities Director)	Cost + 15% (See Public Utilities Director)

Temporary for Non- Permanent Commercial Structure

Under 100 AMPS	\$125
Over 100 AMPS	Cost + 15% (See Public Utilities Director)

Three Phase Connection

Three phase service from 200 to 400 AMPS	\$100 per phase
Three phase service 401 AMPS and over	\$ Cost +15%

Conversion of over head to underground

Under 250' in length	\$400.00
Over 250' in length	\$400.00 + cost of wire over 250'

T-2 Security Lights

Type 1: 175 watts	\$11.63
Type 2: 250 watts	\$16.20
Type 3: 400 watts	\$22.44
Pole:	\$2.50 per month if installed specifically For light service

History Print out

\$5.00

Deposits

\$75 inside water
\$150 outside water
\$150 Electric

Pole Attachment Fees

\$15.00 per-pole, per-year
\$3.00 per CATV power supply, per-year
Joint-Use attachments set by agreement
(Effective Date: 12/01/12)

EXHIBIT H(2)

Zoning Permit Fees		Variance
Residential Permits	\$35.00	\$300.00
Residential Accessory/Addition	\$15.00	\$300.00
Multi Family Permits	\$50.00	\$100.00
Commercial	\$100.00	Cost
Manufacturing/Industrial	\$150.00	Engineering Charged by Town Engineer
Sign Permits (per sign)	\$35.00	Staff Review
EVM Sign Permits (per sign)	\$350.00	Multi-Family
Commercial	\$75.00	
Manufacturing/Industrial	\$200.00	
Commission Applications (fee covers staff time, agenda packets, and notification letters to residents. Additional cost on advertisement in newspaper.)		\$300.00
Subdivision Fees		\$300.00
Rezoning	\$300.00	Engineering Cost Charged by Town Engineer
Conditional Use	\$300.00	Staff Review

Effective: July 1, 2014

EXHIBIT H(3)

2-10 lots	\$100.00
11-50 lots	\$150.00
51-100 lots	\$200.00
101-200 lots	\$2 Per Lot
201 and more lots	\$4 Per Lot

Street and Solid Waste Charges

Street

New Subdivision Signs Full Reimbursement Cost of Signs And Installation

Sanitation

After Hours Truck Full Reimbursement Cost to Provide Service

New Cart Fee \$30 non-refundable for new homes (paid at time of permit)

Land Lord Tenant Fee to remove Trash

\$50.00 for a regular pick up truck
\$100.00 for a flat bed less then 2 tons
\$ Cost + 15% for a flat bed over 2 tons or when a back hoe is needed.

Solid Waste Fees

Residential
\$13.00 per container, per month

\$10.00 per call-in for bulky trash
outside of container

\$1.00 per-bag/ \$22.00 per box of 25
For "bagged" trash outside of
Container

Commercial
\$15.00 per container, per month

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General Fees

Customer Requested Stop Payment \$40.00

Civic Building Rental Fee \$100.00 In-Town
\$175.00 Non-Town

*Also Requires \$100.00 Refundable Damage Deposit

Gazebo Rental Fee \$100.00 In-Town
\$175.00 Non-Town

Alcohol Privilege License
\$300.00 for Beer and Wine***
\$300.00 for Mixed Drinks***

Return Check Fee \$30.00

Water Flow Test \$100.00 per test

Noise Permit

\$20.00 for a day permit
\$75.00 for a month permit
\$400.00 for a year permit.

*In Addition to any other charges

**Charged to everyone who makes the Cut-Off List.

***Renewed Years in conjunction with Privilege Licenses

Privilege & Business Licenses

See Attached Schedule A

Recreation & Park Fees

See Attached Parks and Recreation
Fees and Policies, and Attached
Schedule B

Fees & Charges for Water, Sewer, Electric, and Storm
Water Services (Billed Monthly), as well as for Water &
Sewer Tap, Meter, & Privilege Fees (Billed at Installation)
are Contained on Separate Schedules C, D, E, and F
Respectively.

Lot Cutting
Weed-Eating,
Bush-Hog (Regular or Side-Arm)
\$48.00/Hr.
\$60.00/Hr.; 2 HR MIN.

**SCHEDULE A
TOWN OF DALLAS
PRIVILEGE AND BUSINESS LICENSE FEES**

1. Amusements:

- a. Outdoor Theatres- \$100.00 per screen
- b. Indoor Theatres- \$200.00 per screen
- c. Game Rooms, Pool Halls, Skating Rinks- \$25.00 plus \$5.00 per video game
- d. **Electronic Gaming Operations \$2500.00 per Business \$1000.00 per machine license fees per year**
- e. Bowling Alleys- \$10.00 per alley

2. Collection Agencies- \$50.00

3. Undertakers/Funeral Homes- \$50.00

4. Pawnbrokers- \$275.00

5. Contractors:

- a. General Contractor, Painting, Roofing- \$10.00
- b. Plumbing, Heating and Cooling, Electrical- \$50.00

6. Hotels, Motels, Bed and Breakfasts, Tourist Homes- \$1.00 per room, \$25.00 Minimum

7. Restaurants:

- a. 4 or fewer seats- \$25.00
- b. 5 or greater seats- \$42.50

8. Dry Cleaners, Pressing Plants- \$50.00

9. Firearms Dealers/Dealers in other Weapons- \$50.00 for firearms, \$200.00 for knives, dirks, swords, other edged weapons.

10. Self Service Laundries- \$50.00

11. Automobile Sales, Service, Accessories

- a. Sales- \$25.00
- b. Service and Repair- \$12.50
- c. Gasoline/Diesel Fuel Sales- \$25.00

12. Motorcycle Dealers/Service- \$12.50

13. Employment/Staffing Agencies- \$50.00

14. Branch/Chain Stores- \$50.00

15. Video Rentals/Sales- \$25.00

16. Bicycle Dealers (Sales, Accessories, Service) - \$25.00

17. Barber/Beauty Shops- \$2.50 per chair

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18. Piano, Television, Radios and Recorders (sales, repairs) \$5.00
19. Alcohol
 - a. Beer- Off-Premise: \$5.00, On- Premise: \$15.00
 - b. Wine- Off-Premise: \$10.00, On-Premise: \$15.00
20. Loan Agency or Broker- \$100.00
21. Security Dealers/Stock Brokers- \$50.00
22. Sundries (Soft drinks, tobacco, wrapped sandwiches, candy) - \$4.00
23. Video Movie Rentals and Sales- \$25.00
24. Vendor/Solicitor/Peddler
 - a. \$20.00 per person on foot
 - b. \$25.00 per vehicle/mobile cart
25. Ice Cream (Retail) - \$2.50
26. Day Care Centers- \$50.00
27. Car Washes (all types) - \$12.50
28. Wholesale Merchant - \$50.00
29. Lawn Care/Mowing- \$25.00
30. Other Non-Exempt Business Not Listed- \$50.00

Exemptions:

Certified Public Accountants	Alarm Systems
Architects	Attorneys at Law
Banks	Chiropractors
Cooperative Marketing Associations	Dentists
Professional Engineers	Manufacturers/Distributors of Film
Home Inspectors	Insurance Agents
Land Surveyors	Veterinarians
Office Machines, Home Appliances, Computer Hardware	Optician
Optometrists	Osteopaths
Pest Control Applicators	Photographers
Physicians	Private Detectives/Investigators

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SCHEDULE B
TOWN OF DALLAS
RECREATION FEES

Seasonal Team Sponsorships:

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| • Soccer: | \$275.00 |
| • Basketball: | \$125.00 |
| • Baseball/Softball: | \$225.00 |

Individual Participant Fees:	<u>In-Town:</u>	<u>Non-Resident:</u>
• Soccer:	\$45.00	\$45.00
• Basketball:	\$35.00	\$50.00
• Cheerleading:	\$35.00	\$50.00
• Cheerleading incl. Uniform:	\$125.00	\$140.00
• Baseball/Softball:	\$55.00	\$65.00

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**TOWN OF DALLAS
PARKS AND RECREATION
FEES & POLICIES**

It shall be the stated goal of the Town of Dallas to establish clear, consistent, fair, and equally-applied and enforced, policies and fees for the scheduling and use of its publicly-owned and maintained athletic and civic facilities and buildings. To further that goal, the following shall apply:

Parks/Buildings/Fields/Facilities Owned or Operated by The Town of Dallas:

1. Dennis Franklin Gymnasium
2. Jaggers Park
3. Carr School Athletic Fields
4. Cloninger Park
5. Civic Center Building
6. Historic Courthouse, Gazebo, and/or Plaza square

Policies (General):

Fees for participation in, or sponsorship of, Town-sanctioned and/or organized athletic teams/ leagues and recreational activities have been established (see Fee Schedule B) so as to attempt to recover much of the costs of operating and continuing such programs. For participants in these programs, the use of fields, buildings, or facilities are covered by the fee for team, league, program, or activity participation. For any and all other use of such facilities or buildings, potential users will be required to pay, in advance, the fee(s) established and to abide by all Town policies. Such users will be allowed equal access on a first-come/first-served basis.

To schedule the exclusive, reserved use of a field, building, park or facility, for recreation or activities not sanctioned or organized by the Town, individual or group users must fully complete a Town application form, including the remittance of any and all fees required, and return it to authorized Town recreation staff not less than 48 hours in advance of the time such activity/use is to occur. Users will be required to sign a standard Liability Waiver/Release Form if "Not-for-Profit"; and provide a Certificate of Liability Insurance, naming the Town of Dallas as additionally insured, in a minimum coverage amount of \$500,000, if "For-Profit".

Users shall be classified and designated as "For-Profit" if they represent, and are funded by a for-profit business or corporate entity; or, if they charge for admission; sell merchandise or concessions; operate tournaments for participant fees; gain advertising or business sponsorship; or engage in any other act or activity which is designed to generate revenues greater than the simple recouping of Town Use fees from individual participants equal to a pro-rata share of said fees. For determination of Fees hereunder, all other users shall be classified as and considered "Not-for-Profit".

Individual users must be Town of Dallas residents to be eligible for "Town Resident" Use fee designation; while for groups or teams of users, No greater than twenty percent (20%) of all covered participants may be "Non-Town Residents" in order to remain eligible for "Town Resident" Use fee designation.

Any minimal use of Buildings and/or facilities exclusively for the below-listed purposes shall be considered "Town-sanctioned" and, as a result, not subject to User Fees hereunder:

- The charitable distribution of goods or services on a non-discriminatory basis.
- The short-duration, "kick-off", "wrap-up", or award or recognition ceremony, associated with or incidental to other Town-sanctioned or approved, not-for-profit events.
- The use of fields for non-exclusive, un-reserved, "pick-up" practices, games, or matches not part of any organized league.
- The use of fields or other outdoor, public areas for non-exclusive, unreserved recreational, fitness, sporting, or personal fulfillment activities of a nature and character customary to such fields or areas and which are not damaging to such areas, or which serve to threaten or endanger the well-being or equal access of others similarly engaged or in proximity.

Dennis Franklin Gym:

Town-sponsored use of the Dennis Franklin Gym shall consist of: In-season, or pre-season, Youth Basketball and Cheerleading Games and Practices involving all team or squad members. Any and all other use shall be prohibited unless authorized in advance by formal action of the Board of Aldermen.

Use by participants engaged in pre-approved and permitted activities may only occur and continue so long as a Town of Dallas employee remains present within the building.

Jaggers Park:

At present, the Town of Dallas does not sanction or organize the use of Jaggers Park for any fee-for-participation teams, leagues, or activities. However, we reserve the right to do so for Youth or Adult Baseball and/or Softball games or practices of sanctioned teams/leagues. Any and all other use shall be subject to the following fees:

Fees: (All Other)		(M.-F.) Week Day	(Sat./Sun.) Week End
<u>Field Use:</u>	<u>4 Hours</u>	<u>Per Day</u>	<u>Per Day</u>
Town-Resident/Not-For-Profit	\$20.00	\$35.00	\$50.00
Town Resident/*For-Profit	\$60.00	\$105.00	\$150.00
Non-Town/Not-For-Profit	\$35.00	\$65.00	\$100.00
Non-Town/*For-Profit	\$105.00	\$185.00	\$265.00
<u>Field Use: (Fall Youth)</u>	<u>Per Season (not-to-exceed 120 days)</u>		
For All League Participants (Total)	\$200.00 (includes use of lights)		

Additional Charges:

*Dragging Field: (by request) \$25.00

*Lining Field: (by request) \$25.00

Use of Lights at Field: \$12/Hr. (Adult only)

*When accomplished during normal Town work hours. All other requests shall require a fee equal to: Total Cost plus 30%.

Carr School Fields:

The Town of Dallas Parks & Recreation Department Sanctions and Organizes an extensive list of fee-for-participation Youth sports at Carr School Fields, which includes in-season and pre-season practices and games, involving all team members, for Baseball (T-ball, Coach-pitch, and traditional), Softball, and Soccer.

Any and all other use, including Adult team or League play, or Youth Fall Baseball, or any other organized activities not subject to fee-for-participation under Town Fee Schedule B, shall be allowed only if scheduled not in conflict with Town-sanctioned and organized activities and then subject to the following Fees:

Fees: (All Other)		(M.-F.) Week Day	(Sat./Sun.) Week End
<u>Field Use: (Adult Play)</u>	4 Hours	Per Day	Per Day
Town-Resident/Not-For-Profit	\$20.00	\$35.00	\$50.00
Town Resident/*For-Profit	\$60.00	\$105.00	\$150.00
Non-Town/Not-For-Profit	\$35.00	\$65.00	\$100.00
Non-Town/*For-Profit	\$105.00	\$185.00	\$265.00
<u>Field Use: (Fall Youth)</u>	<u>Per Season (not-to-exceed 120 days)</u>		
For All League Participants (Total)	\$200.00 (includes use of lights)		

Additional Charges:

*Dragging Field: (by request)	\$25.00
*Lining Field: (by request)	\$25.00
Use of Lights at Field:	\$12/Hr. (Adult only)

*When accomplished during normal Town work hours. All other requests shall require a Fee equal to: Total cost plus 30%.

Cloninger Park:

Town-sponsored use of the athletic field at Cloninger Park shall consist of: In-season, or pre-season organized (Southland League) Youth Football games and practices involving all team members; the yearly 4th of July Fireworks display; and general, open public use of the walking track. Use for League Youth Football shall be subject to the following Fees:

Fees:

<u>Field Use: (Seasonal Youth Football)</u>	<u>Per Season (not-to-exceed 120 days)</u>
For All Participants (Total)	\$200.00 (includes use of lights)

Civic Center Building:

Town-sponsored use of the Dallas Town Civic Center Building shall consist of the holding of ongoing, organized Senior Citizen exercise and fitness classes as well as regularly-scheduled educational and social meetings and trip-planning sessions. Any and all other use shall be subject to the following Fees:

Fees: (All Other)

Daily Rental:

*Town Resident \$100.00

*Non-Town \$175.00

*These Fees apply to either For-Profit or Not-For-Profit Users.

Historic Courthouse, Gazebo, and/or Plaza Square:

Currently, and pending complete restoration of the Courthouse Building, there is no authorized or sponsored use of the Historic Courthouse Building. However, the

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Plaza Square is often utilized to hold or conduct Town-sponsored and Board-of-Aldermen-approved community events and festivals without charge. Use of the Gazebo, or non-sponsored use of the Square Grounds shall be subject to the following Fees:

Fees: (All Other)

Daily Gazebo/Grounds Rental: (typically for weddings):

Town Resident/Not-For-Profit \$100.00

Non-Town/Not-For-Profit \$175.00

Use by "For-Profit" entities is prohibited unless specifically approved by action of the Board of Aldermen.

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SCHEDULE E
TOWN OF DALLAS
STORMWATER RATE SCHEDULE

<u>Account Class</u>	<u>Rate Per Month</u>	<u>ERU's</u>	<u>Total Rate (Month)</u>
Sing.-Fam. Res.	\$1.85	1	\$1.85/Mo.
All Other Accounts	\$1.85	*	\$1.85 per ERU/Mo.

*Total Impervious surface area on property (in square feet) divided by 2500.

An "ERU" is an "Equivalent Residential Unit", Which is calculated and set at 2500 square feet of impervious surface area. For ALL Single-Family Residential properties, the ERU shall be established as (1) regardless of actual impervious surface area on the parcel. For ALL OTHER Classes of Properties, the Town has established precisely the actual square footage of impervious surface area on each parcel (through a contracted study completed by the Centralina Council of Governments), and the ERU for each shall be the total impervious surface area divided by (2500).

The Rate Structure includes, for each Non-residential Account, a Fee Credit opportunity, for those properties who have on-site "B.M.P'S" ("Best Management Practices", consisting of Storm water retention, detention, and/or treatment, containment, or significant mitigation facilities, when same are certified by Town inspection as being adequately designed, engineered, constructed, and maintained).

The CREDIT Shall Equal 50% of the Monthly Fee, for as long as the BMP facility remains in-place, functional, and properly-maintained (as evidenced by yearly inspection by Town personnel or agent).

To Receive Credit for a BMP Facility, Account Holders must file an application with the Town Development Services Department and meet all requirements for engineering specifications associated therewith.

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SCHEDULE F
TOWN OF DALLAS
WATER/SEWER TAP, METER, & PRIVILEGE FEES

EXHIBIT H(15)

Fees Listed are for Standard Taps (Not For Low Flow)

3/4" WATER TAP

Residential Inside	\$800.00
Residential Outside	\$900.00
Privilege Fee Inside	\$500.00
Privilege Fee Outside	\$500.00
Commercial	Cost Plus 15%
Road Bore Fee	\$300.00

4" SEWER TAP

Residential Inside	\$800.00
Residential Outside	\$900.00
Privilege Fee Inside	\$500.00
Privilege Fee Outside	\$500.00
Commercial	Cost Plus 15%

IRRIGATION TAPS

Outside Yard Meter W/Tee	\$300.00
Outside Yard Meter 3/4" Tap	\$500.00
Outside Yard Meter 1:	\$890.00
Commercial	Cost Plus 15%
2" Meter R-900	\$509.00
2" Meter Combo R-900	
2" Meter Strainer	\$167.50
Jumbo Meter Box	\$87.38
2" Coppersetter W/Ball Valve	\$800.00
2" Block Valve	\$182.05
Valve Box	\$30.95
2" Tapping Saddle	\$62.92
2" Corp. Stop	\$95.46
2" Brass Fitting	\$132.97
60ft. 2" PVC SC40 Pipe	\$75.60
Basic Water Tap Inside	\$800.00
Basic Water Outside	
Privilege Fee Inside & outside	\$900.00
Commercial	Cost Plus 15%
	Inside \$3193.83 Outside \$3293.83 Road Bore Fees
	\$4,106.60 \$4,206.60 \$400.00

1" Meter R-900	\$292.55
1" Coppersetter	\$84.44
1 Jumbo Meter Box	\$87.38
12 x 1 inch Saddle	\$29.77
1-1 inch Block Valve	\$173.65
Valve Box	\$30.95
Brass Fitting	\$53.64
60ft. 1" Copper tubing	\$126.60
Basic Water Tap Inside	\$800.00
Basic Water Tap Outside	
Privilege Fee Inside & Outside	\$900.00
Commercial	Cost Plus 15%
	Inside \$1928.98 Outside \$2028.98 Road Bore Fees
	\$2,228.98 \$2,328.98 \$300.00

LARGE FLOW OR SPRINKLER SYSTEM

- 1 1/2 X 2" Neptune Meters T-10 with R900 Radio Read in gallons
- 3 x 4" Neptune Meters Tru-Flow Compound in gallon with R900 radio read
- 6 x 8" Neptune Meter HP Pro 3 tectus with R900 radio read

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EXHIBIT I(1)**Town of Dallas**
Budget AmendmentDate: June 10, 2014Action: General Fund AmendmentsPurpose: To Budget for Changes Occuring Within the Current Budget Year - FY 2013-14Number: GF - 004

Fund	Dept	Line Item	Item Description	Original Amount	Amended Amount	Difference
10	4100	0401	Codification of Ordinances	\$900	\$9,000	\$8,100
10	4110	0400	Professional Service	\$4,500	\$17,500	\$13,000
10	5700	1540	Maint & Repair: Grounds	\$0	\$9,000	\$9,000
10	5800	5100	Recycling	\$21,900	\$32,900	\$11,000
10	5800	5101	Compost & Brush Recycling	\$0	\$24,000	\$24,000
10	5800	7400	Capital Outlay: Equipment	\$0	\$256,200	\$256,200
10	3850	0000	Proceeds From Cap. Financing	\$0	\$235,000	\$235,000
10	3999	0000	Fund Balance Appropriated	\$42,880	\$129,180	\$86,300
				Totals	\$70,180	\$712,780
						\$642,600

Approval Signature
(Town Manager or Admininistrative Services Director)

EXHIBIT I(2)**Town of Dallas**
Budget AmendmentDate: June 10, 2014Action: Water/Sewer Fund AmendmentsPurpose: To Budget for Changes Occuring Within the Current Budget Year - FY 2013-14Number: WS - 001

Fund	Dept	Line Item	Item Description	Original Amount	Amended Amount	Difference
20	8100	0202	Overtime	\$20,000	\$52,000	\$32,000
20	8100	1620	Maint & Repair: Pump Station	\$42,000	\$65,000	\$23,000
20	8100	7305	Capital Outlay: Water Line	\$0	\$36,300	\$36,300
20	8200	3304	Chemical Supplies	\$97,670	\$118,670	\$21,000
20	8300	3304	Chemical Supplies	\$41,000	\$55,000	\$14,000
20	3999	0000	Fund Balance Appropriated	\$100,432	\$226,732	\$126,300
Totals				\$301,102	\$553,702	\$252,600

Approval Signature
(Town Manager or Administrative Services Director)