

3. **COMMUNICATIONS**

A. Monthly Reports

MOTION by Councilmember Harris to accept monthly reports.
SECOND by Councilmember Giles.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. **BUSINESS**

A. AWARD BID – PURCHASE OF WATER METERS

Utility Director Joe Nichols states that bids were received on August 29, 2013 at City Hall for replacing water meters. Three bids were received: Carolina Meter & Supply - \$410,602.52; Badger Meter - \$518,566.71; Energy Management Systems - \$623,012.56. The recommendation is to accept bid from Carolina Meter & Supply in the amount of \$410,602.52. Funding will be provided through SC Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program.

MOTION by Mayor Pro Tem Garner to accept recommendation.
SECOND by Councilmember Hill.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. AWARD BID - WATER & SEWER IMPROVEMENTS: BI-LO SEWER, BERMUDA DRIVE, MUNRO STREET, FOREST CIRCLE, BLASSINGAME ST., RICE AVENUE, BUFFALO METER PIT AND LAKESIDE DRIVE

Utility Director Joe Nichols states that bids were received on September 5, 2013 at City Hall for water and sewer improvements. Work includes erosion control work at (6) existing sewer and water locations, removal of existing master meter at one location, and replacement of 72 linear feet of 8-inch sewer along with erosion control work at one location. Four (4) bids were received: Dillard Excavating - \$90,815.00; Gar-Con, Inc. - \$100,755.00; Smith Backhoe & Construction - \$51,845.00 and Two Brothers Utilities, LLC - \$52,590.00. The recommendation is to accept bid from Smith Backhoe & Construction in the amount of \$51,845.00.

MOTION by Councilmember Wilson to accept recommendation.
SECOND by Councilmember Giles.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C. AWARD BID - DOZER WORK – EISION ROAD AND KENWOOD LANDFILLS

Perry Harmon, Public Service Director states that the following (3) three bids were received on August 20, 2013 for dozer work to be done at the Eison Road and Kenwood Landfills. This is a monthly requirement of DHEC. Staff recommendation is to award Smith Backhoe and Construction in the amount of \$11,040.00 for dozer work to be done on Eison Road and Kenwood Landfills as required by DHEC.

MOTION by Councilmember Harris to accept recommendation.
SECOND by Mayor Pro Tem Garner.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

D. AWARD BID – RESURFACE ASPHALT WALKWAYS- FOSTER PARK

Perry Harmon, Public Service Director states that one bid was received on September 5, 2013 for resurfacing of asphalt walkways at Foster Park. Staff recommendation is to award Sailors Asphalt Paving in the amount of \$91,945.00 for resurfacing of asphalt walkways.

MOTION by Councilmember Wilson to approve staff recommendation.

SECOND by Councilmember Harris.

FOR: Thompson, Hill, Garner, Harris, Wilson.

OPPOSE: Giles.

CARRIED: 5 to 1.

E. BUSINESS - DISCUSSION/MOTION – UNION COUNTY ANTIQUE FARM SHOW

Will Bowles, Union County Tourism Commission Director addressed council on behalf of The Union County Antique Farm Show. Mr. Bowles recently joined the Board of Directors for The Union County Antique Farm Show. The show will hold its annual event on Saturday, September 21, 2013. Last year's show attracted more than 2000 attendees including many exhibitors from outside the county. The farm show committee is requesting a monetary donation of \$1,000 to help this year's show reach its full potential. Mayor Thompson states that this can be funded through the Hospitality Tax.

MOTION by Councilmember Wilson to approve request in the amount of \$1,000 to The Union County Antique Farm Show provided paperwork submitted is in proper order to receive funding from the Hospitality Tax.

SECOND by Councilmember Giles.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

F. DISCUSSION/MOTION – UNION COUNTY HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION FALL CHARITY GOLF CLASSIC

Mayor Thompson states that The Union County Health Care Foundation's annual "Fall Charity Golf Classic" will be held October 4th, 2013. This event is a fund raiser to help support the Foundation and the Union Hospital District. This event has helped the Health Care Foundation reach many goals.

MOTION by Mayor Pro Tem Garner to sponsor the Union County Health Care Foundation "Fall Charity Golf Classic" at the Silver level of sponsorship in the amount of \$500.00.

SECOND by Councilmember Wilson.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

G. ORDINANCE – 1ST READING – TEMPORARY SIGN REGULATIONS – AMENDMENT

Robbie Moody addressed council regarding the proposed amendment to the temporary sign regulations. A public hearing for temporary sign regulations amendment was held prior to tonight's regular meeting. The Planning Commission recommendation is to extend the length of time which is currently 15 days to 105 days for temporary signs to be displayed and also to reduce the waiting period from 6 months to 30 days between occurrences.

MOTION by Mayor Pro Tem Garner to accept proposed changes to the temporary sign regulations ordinance.

SECOND by Councilmember Hill.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. **ANNOUNCEMENT BY MAYOR & COUNCIL**

Mayor Pro Tem Garner thanked the Uniquely Union Festival Committee for their work on the festival. He states that there was very positive response from the attendees. Councilmembers Giles and Wilson also thanked the committee for their work.

6. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- A. Please address the Mayor and Council from the lectern and state your name and address for the record. (Please limit your comment to 3-5 minutes)

John Savage, 103 Williams Street, addressed council. He commented on the trash along the streets. He feels that there need to be signs put up stating that there will be a fine for throwing trash along the streets. Mr. Savage also states that there are overgrown lots that he has reported to the City a number of times this summer and nothing has been done. Mr. Savage feels that he should not have to call numerous times to report these incidences.

7. **EXECUTIVE SESSION: - TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL AND CONTRACTUAL MATTERS**

MOTION by Mayor Pro Tem Garner to go out of regular session into executive session to discuss a personnel and contractual matter.

SECOND by Councilmember Wilson.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION by Councilmember Harris to go out of executive session back into regular session.

SECOND by Councilmember Wilson.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. **DISCUSSION/MOTION – APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY**

Mayor Thompson states that the City of Union no longer has a City Attorney. City Council discussed this in executive session. The recommendation is to appoint Mr. Larry Flynn as Interim City Attorney.

MOTION by Councilmember Giles to accept recommendation.

SECOND by Mayor Pro Tem Garner.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Councilmember Harris to adjourn.

SECOND by Councilmember Wilson.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council meeting adjourned at 7:26 P.M.

Gloria J. Rogers, CMC
Municipal Clerk

Minutes approved _____ 2013