

**MOUNT AIRY, NORTH CAROLINA
APRIL 6, 1995**

The City of Mount Airy Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building on Thursday, April 6, 1995. A quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Mayor Emily B. Taylor, Commissioner Gene Bowman, Commissioner Mike King, Commissioner Frank Lowry and Commissioner David Rowe.

Board Members Absent: Commissioner John Browne

Staff Present: John Overton, Jeff Boyles, Elmer Dawson, Leo Shores, Amy Jarvis, Wilborn Rives, Ron Niland and Barbara Jones.

Mayor Taylor opened the meeting and welcomed guests.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the March 16, 1995 meeting were approved on motion by Commissioner King seconded by Commissioner Bowman and passed unanimously.

TAP FEES AND ASSESSMENT POLICY: On motion by Commissioner King seconded by Commissioner Bowman and passed unanimously the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners of the City of Mount Airy adopted a resolution on March 22 , 1993 establishing a requirement that improved properties within the corporate limits connect to the water and sewer system;

AND WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners wish to clarify those requirements in relation to properties that were not within the corporate limits at the time of that resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the policy adopted be clarified as follows:

- 1) All improved property within the corporate limits shall be required to be connected to the water and sewer systems by the later of July 1, 1995 or 18 months from the time service becomes available.
- 2) That in the case where a customer wants to connect only to the water system, a contract be entered into between the city and the property owner that permits a customer to postpone connecting to the sewer system in exchange for agreeing to pay a monthly sewer charge based on metered water consumption as though they were connected to the sewer system. The benefit to the customer would be in delaying the payment of the tap fee and plumbing costs associated with connecting until such time as the customer's current septic system failed or needed replacing.
- 3) That a standard tap fee be charged at whatever rate is current and set by city commissioners. That said tap fee be paid as service is requested.
- 4) That financing be made available through the finance office in cases where fees would be determined to be a hardship and in accordance with city policy.