MINUTES FOR BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING August 16th, 2011 6:00 PM

The following elected officials were present: Mayor Coleman, Alderman Beaty, Alderman Friday, Alderman Huggins, Alderman Martin, and Alderman Withers.

The following staff members were present: Ed Munn, Interim Town Manager; Maria Stroupe, Administrative Services Director; Pennie Thrower, Town Attorney; Doug Huffman, Electric Director; Allen Scott, Police Captain; Bill Trudnak, Public Works Director; David Kahler, Community Development Director; Anne Martin, Recreation Director; and Steve Lambert, Fire Chief.

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

Mayor Coleman opened with the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The Mayor asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. Mayor Coleman had two changes to the agenda: 1) Item 9-E will be an added item concerning approval of a Hazard Mitigation Plan and 2) Item 9-F will be a discussion concerning a generator for the Fire Department. Mr. Beaty made a motion to set the agenda including the changes, seconded by Mr. Martin, and carried unanimously.

Mr. Beaty made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 12, 2011 regular meeting, seconded by Mr. Martin, and carried unanimously.

Recognition of Citizens:

Mary Boyce, 518 E. Peachtree St., wanted to thank the Board for not approving the zoning change on E. Holly St. to allow a de-watering operation at that location. Mayor Coleman informed Ms. Boyce that the prospective owner of the operation had withdrawn his zoning change petition so that request is no longer under consideration.

Recognition of Employees:

Item 6-A, Chief Lambert recognized Scott Stiles for 26 years of fire service. Mr. Stiles has retired from the Fire Department. Chief Lambert presented Mr. Stiles with a plaque of appreciation. Also, Chief Lambert introduced three new volunteer firemen: Keith Norris, Dusty Haney, and John Goodwin.

Item 6-B recognized two employees for service anniversaries. Anne Martin was recognized for 10 years of service with the Town of Dallas. Anne was hired as the full-time Recreation Director on July 1, 2001. She had been serving as the part-time Recreation Director since July 1, 1999 and as a volunteer prior to that. She continues to serve the Town as the Recreation Director. Mayor Coleman recognized Anne for her dedication and service to the Town and presented her with a certificate of appreciation. (Exhibit A) Da'Sha Leach was recognized for five years of service with the Town of Dallas. Da'Sha was hired on July 28, 2006 as a Customer Service Representative at Town Hall and continues to serve the Town in this capacity. Da'Sha was not present, but will be presented a certificate of appreciation by her supervisor for her service to Dallas. (Exhibit B)

Public Hearing:

None

Item 7-A was assignment of written off accounts to Debt Setoff. Mr. Beaty made a motion to approve the list of written off accounts to be sent to Debt Setoff for collection, seconded by Mr. Friday, and carried unanimously.

Old Business:

The first item, Item 8-A, was approval of a resolution setting the date of the public hearing for annexation of Alder Ridge III. All requirements have been met for the voluntary annexation process to proceed. (Exhibit C) Mr. Withers made a motion to approve the resolution setting the public hearing date for September 13, 2011, seconded by Mr. Friday, and carried unanimously.

The second item, Item 8-B, was continuing discussion of a Water and Sewer Line Maintenance Fee. At the July Board meeting, this item was referred to the Public Works Committee for further review of options. The committee met on August 9, 2011 to discuss various options. (Exhibit D) Options 1 and 2 were discussed during the budget process. Options 3, 4, and 5 have a flat fee for single family residential customers and a graduated fee for commercial customers based upon meter size. The committee requested that Staff develop an option that combined the residential fee from Option 3 with the graduated commercial fee from Option 5. This option is labeled as Option 6. In addition, the committee discussed the broader process for water and sewer line improvements and concluded that the Town should begin the selection process for a consulting engineer. Mr. Beaty made a motion to direct Staff to develop a scope of service for engineering services for the September meeting, seconded by Mr. Withers, and carried unanimously.

New Business:

Item 9-A, was adoption of a resolution honoring Lance Corporal Nicholas O'Brien, a local marine killed in action in Afghanistan. Gaston County is going to honor the family of Lance Corporal O'Brien with a resolution designating June 9 as Lance Corporal Nicholas S. O'Brien Day at their meeting on August 25, 2011. The County has invited the municipalities to join them in the ceremony with similar resolutions. Mr. Friday made a motion to adopt the presented resolution designating June 9 as Lance Corporal Nicholas S. O'Brien Day, seconded by Mr. Withers, and carried unanimously. (Exhibit E) A framed copy of the resolution will be presented to the family on August 25th by representatives from Dallas' Board of Aldermen.

Item 9-B, was information concerning DallasFest. The fourth annual DallasFest will be held on Friday, September 2, 2011 from 7:00 pm until 10:00 pm. This year's concert features the Fantastic Shakers again. The Shriners have requested permission to sell alcohol as they did last year. Also, Staff is recommending that Holland St., from Trade St. to Main St., and Main St., from Gaston St. to Holland St., be closed for the event. Mr. Beaty made a motion to approve the street closings and grant permission to the Shriners to conduct alcohol sales at the event, seconded by Mr. Martin, and carried unanimously.

Item 9-C, was a request from the property owners at 115 W. Main St. for the Town to place "No Parking" signs at the two driveway access points on Main St. The property is located next to the Hoffman Hotel and the existing driveways are hard to see. Currently, the access areas are painted and labeled as no parking areas. Chief Buckner stated that there is an enforceable ordinance and the police can ticket anyone violating the painted no parking areas. He stated that there have been no calls in approximately 10 months from the owners notifying the police of cars violating the prohibited areas. Mr. Friday made a motion to install "No Parking" signs at the two driveway access points at 115 W. Main St. There was no second, so the motion dies for lack of a second.

Item 9-D was request to change the meeting dates for both the October and November regular Board meetings. Both the Town Manager and the Police Chief have conflicts with the October meeting date and the November meeting date falls on Election Day. Mr. Huggins made a motion to move the October meeting from October

11th to October 18th and to move the November meeting from November 8th to November 15th, seconded by Mr. Beaty, and carried unanimously.

Item 9-E, was the added item concerning adoption of the Hazard Mitigation Plan. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requires that all communities prepare and update a Hazard Mitigation Plan. Dallas and the other municipalities in Gaston County have always been part of the Gaston County Multi-Juridictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. All of the jurisdictions are now required to formally approve the updated plan. (Exhibit F) The Gaston County Commissioners held the public hearing and approve the updated plan on July 28, 2011. Mr. Martin made a motion to approve the resolution adopting the Hazard Mitigation Plan, seconded by Mr. Friday, and carried unanimously. (Exhibit G)

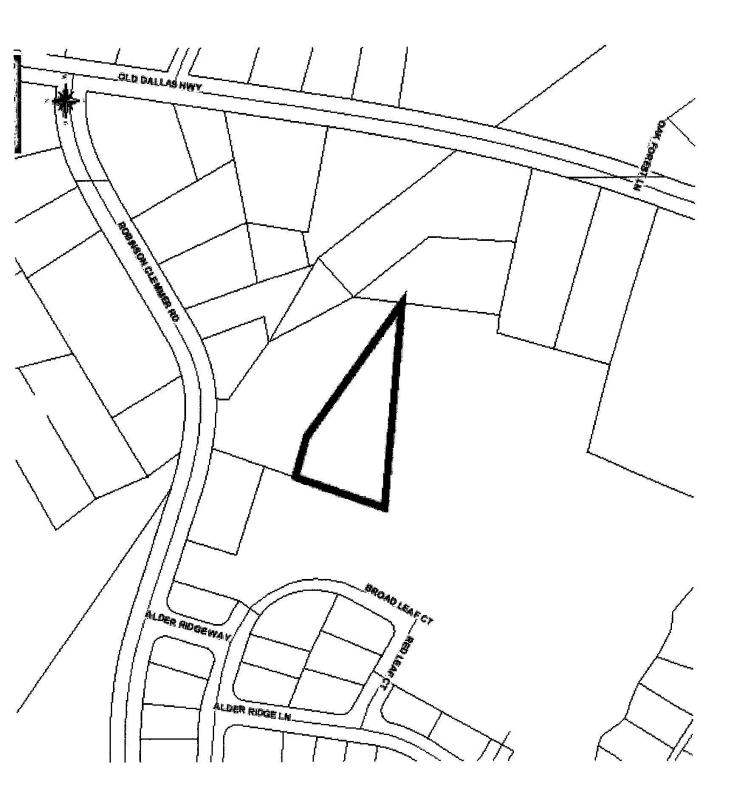
Item 9-F, was the added item concerning a generator for the Fire Department building. When the building was originally built a generator was not installed. Mr. Huffman stated that the Town has an opportunity to purchase a generator that only has 30 hours of run time logged. This 45 kW generator can run multiple fuels. Although it would not run the entire building, it would run all of the necessary components to keep the building functional during an emergency. This unit would heat and light the downstairs, but would not operate the elevator. Total cost for the generator and installation is estimated to be approximately \$15,000. Two years ago, Mr. Huffman obtained a quote for a generator that would run the entire building at a cost of \$58,000. Mr. Huggins made a motion to approve the expenditure to purchase this generator, seconded by Mr. Friday, and carried unanimously. Mr. Munn informed the Board that there is \$22,000 in the current budget for a tornado siren. This money could be used to purchase a generator for the Fire Department building, as the generator was not a budgeted item.

Item 10, was a manager's report from Mr. Ed Munn, Interim Town Manager, highlighting various projects currently underway in Dallas.

Closed Session:	
None	
Mr. Friday made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Bea	ty, and carried unanimously. (7:04)
Rick Coleman, Mayor	Maria Stroupe, Town Clerk

This certificate is awarded to This certificate is awarded to ANNE RHYNE MARTIN in recognition of her 10th anniversary with the Town of Dallas on July 1, 2011 and in gratitude for her years of dedication and service Town of Dallas Segment Dallas S

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION This certificate is awarded to DA'SHA TENISE LEACH in recognition of her 5th anniversary with the Town of Dallas on July 28, 2011 and in gratitude for her years of dedication and service Town OF DALLAS Signature Signat



RESOLUTION FIXING DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON QUESTION OF ANNEXATION PURSUANT TO G.S. 160A-58.2

WHEREAS, a petition requesting annexation of the non-contiguous area described herein has been received; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen has by resolution directed the Town Clerk to investigate the sufficiency of the petition; and

WHEREAS, certification by the Town Clerk as to the sufficiency of the petition has been made;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dallas, North Carolina that:

Section 1. A public hearing on the question of annexation of the contiguous area described herein will be held at the Board Room in the Fire Department at 6pm on September 13, 2011.

Section 2. The area proposed for annexation is described as follows: Beginning at an iron pin located S 07° 42' 18" W 193.30' from an iron pin found at the northeastern most corner of the Stowe property as recorded in Deed Book 1032 Page 889 of the Gaston County Register of Deeds, thence from said point of beginning S 84° 55' 04" W 403.44' to an iron pin found, thence S 19° 49' 27" W 184.96' to an iron pin set in the eastern line of the Rhyne property as recorded in Deed Book 640 Page 34 of the Gaston County Register of Deeds, thence two new lines through the Rhyne property N 74° 20' 36" W 82.07' to an iron pin set and N 54° 12' 04" W 320.70' to the point and place of beginning. Said tract containing 0.932 acres according to a survey prepared by Carolinas Design Group, PLLC dated May 31, 2011.

Section 3. Notice of the public hearing shall be published once in the Gaston Gazette, a newspaper having general circulation in the Town of Dallas, at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the public hearing.

	Mayor
ITEST:	
Clerk	
Re: Alder Ridge III	

Water Inside Resident	\$3.00
Water Outside Resident	\$6.00
Water Inside Commercial	\$6.00
Water Outside Commercial	\$12.00
Irrigation Inside	\$6.00
Irrigation Outside	\$12.00

Sewer Inside Resident	\$3.00
Sewer Outside Resident	\$6.00
Sewer Inside Commercial	\$6.00
Sewer Outside Commercial	\$12.00

TOWN OF DALLAS MAINTENANCE APPROX. COST

Water/Sewer Distribution & Collections	\$125,000.00
Water Plant	\$63,000.00
Sewer Plant	\$67,000.00

TOTAL YEARLY

\$255,000.00

REVENUES FROM PROPOSED FEE

Water/Sewer Inside Resident	\$10.338.00
Water Sewer Outside Resident	\$7,608.00
Irrigation	\$138.00
Water/Sewer Commercial Inside	\$2,316.00
Water/Sewer Commercial Outside	\$1,056.00

TOTAL MONTHLY
TOTAL YEARLY

\$21,505.00 \$258,072.00

	CUSTOMERS	AMOUNT	TOTALS
Resident / Water	2375	\$4.25	\$10,093.00
Business / Water	283	\$8.50	\$2,405.50
Sewer	1986	\$5.00	\$9,930.00

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Outside	643	\$1,929.00	\$23,148.00
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Business Based on Meter sizes

3/4" meter	\$4.00
1" meter	\$6.00
1 1/2 meter	\$8.00
2" meter	\$10.00
4" meter	\$14.00
6" meter	\$18.00

198	3/4" meter	\$1,584.00	\$19,008.00
24	1" meter	\$288.00	\$3,456.00
3	1 1/2 meter	\$48.00	\$576.00
38	2" meter	\$760.00	\$9,120.00
5	4" meter	\$140.00	\$1,680.00
5	6" meter	\$180.00	\$2,160.00

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Revenue for Repairs

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Outside	643	\$2,089.75	\$25,077.00
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4" meter	\$17.00	
6" meter	\$23.00	

198	3/4" meter	\$1,980.00	\$23,760.00
24	1" meter	\$384.00	\$4,608.00
3	1 1/2 meter	\$57.00	\$684.00
38	2" meter	\$836.00	\$10,032.00
5	4" meter	\$170.00	\$2,040.00
5	6" meter	\$230.00	\$2,760.00
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4" meter	\$23.00
6" meter	\$28.00

198	3/4" meter	\$3,168.00	\$38,016.00
24	1" meter	\$624.00	\$7,488.00
3	1 1/2 meter	\$93.00	\$1,116.00
38	2" meter	\$1,368.00	\$16,416.00
5	4" meter	\$230.00	\$2,760.00
5	6" meter	\$280.00	\$3,360.00
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Revenue for

Repairs \$218,952.00

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING JUNE 9 AS LANCE CORPORAL NICHOLAS S. O'BRIEN DAY

WHEREAS, The Town of Dallas recognizes the crucial role that the United States Military plays in maintaining our freedom and,

WHEREAS, The Town of Dallas recognizes that our service members voluntarily put themselves into harm's way to protect our country and maintain our freedom and,

WHEREAS, The Town of Dallas recognizes that our service members sometimes pay the ultimate price in order to protect this nation and keep us free and,

WHEREAS, The Town of Dallas joins the people of Gaston County in remembering Lance Corporal Nicholas S. O'Brien, United States Marine Corps not for the way he died, but rather for the way he lived, and for the courage, honor and selflessness he exemplified. Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, but love leaves a memory no one can steal.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dallas, Gaston County North Carolina that June 9 is hereby proclaimed Lance Corporal Nicholas S. O'Brien Day; a day dedicated to the remembrance of a young man who gave his all so that we might be free.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution will be presented to the family of Nicholas S. O'Brien at the Gaston County Board of Commissioner's Meeting on August 25, 2011.

Adopted this 16th day of August 2011

Rick Coleman Mayor

Allen L. Huggins, Mayor Pro-Tem

T. Scott Martin, Alderman

Hoyle Withers, Alderman

E.F. Friday, Alderman

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3-6 TOWN OF DALLAS HAZARD MITIGATION STRATEGIES

The Town of Dallas agrees with the Hazard Mitigation Goals and Strategies, outlined by Gaston County.

The following is a list of Hazard Mitigation Strategies specific to the Town of Dallas.

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TOWN of DALLAS - HAZARD MITIGATION STRATEGIES

Medium	High
Local Funding as available	Local Funding
Pending	On-going
Emergency Management, Dallas	Emergency Management, Code Enforcement, Dallas
A. Institute regulations requiring long-term care facilities to provide emergency generation and self-sustainability capability on-site. May require local amendments to Building Codes, Zoning and or separate Ordinance. (New initiative, On-going strategy, Moderate to High Cost to facilities with potentially High Benefits.)	B. Cooperate with state regulators in assessing vulnerability of dams and assure corrective actions are taken when suggested (Continuation, On-going strategy, Low Cost with High Benefits)
Thunderstorms, Extreme Cold, Hurricane, Snow & Ice, High Winds	Dam Failure

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High	High	High	High
Local Funding as available	Local Funding and/ or Grants, as available	Local Funding and/ or Grants, as available	Local Funding as available
On-going	Pending Funding	Complete	On-going, All Hazards Plan
Dallas Public Works	Public Works, Dallas	Public Works, Dallas	Emergency Management, Dallas
A. Initiate road clearing efforts early in storms. (Continuation, On-going strategy, Low Cost with High Benefits)	B. Provide generator connections to vital facilities and inventory generators capable of supplying 25% of these facilities simultaneously. (New initiative, On-going strategy, little or no resources allocated, Moderate to High Costs with Potentially High Benefits)	C. Provide water system interconnects to increase reliability of fire protection water supply. (Continuation, On-going strategy, High Initial Cost with moderate benefits [for Fire considerations only])	D. Inventory water pumping facilities and sewer facilities, including their demand for electrical power and connection capabilities. (In progress with County All Hazards Plan update, Low Cost, Potentially High Benefits if used for Emergency Operations)
Thunderstorms, Hurricane, Snow & Ice, High Winds	Snow & Ice, Extreme Cold, Thunderstorms	Vegetative Fires COMPLETED	Snow & Ice, Thunderstorms, High Winds, Hurricanes

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High Winds,	A. Educate the public to take shelter and /or appropriate actions when				
Thunderstorms,	the potential for development of high winds, tornadoes, thunderstorms,		On maine		
Tornado, Snow &	winter storms, floods, hurricanes, etc is present and watches and	Dallas Police	OIL-BOILING W/	I ocel Funding	5
Ice, Extreme Cold,	warnings are issued by the National Weather Service. Education can	R. Fire	Dending.	Grante as available	High
Extreme Heat,	take form of Public Service Messages on Government Access TV	31.13	Lunding	Ciallis, as available	
Flood, Hurricane	Channel, Posters and Fliers. (Low cost with Potentially High Benefits,		Surpur I		
	Continuation, On-going strategy, limited funding in place.)				
All Weather Related					
Hazards	take form of Public Service Messages on Government Access TV	Officer, Dallas	Pending	Local Funding,	Lich
	Channel, Posters and Fliers. (Low cost with Potentially High Benefits,	Police & Fire	Funding	Grants, as available	1118111
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	Local Funding, Grants, as available	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Pending Funding	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
A Section 199	Planning, Dallas	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	A. Encourage underground utilities and removal of trees that could down power lines. Besides education, codes & planning can make such suggestions in the field during normal site inspections. (Low Cost with High Benefits) (New initiative, On-going strategy, no funding identified)	 E. Determine Alternative Water Sources. Alternatives may include industrial sources, additional surface intakes, additional impoundments, wells, recycling, etc pending local requirements and conditions. (New initiative, On-going strategy, no funding identified)(Low to Moderate Costs with low to moderate benefits) 	F. Identify programs to provide financial and physical assistance to citizens who experience dry wells for both residential and animal locations. (New initiative, On-going strategy, no funding identified) (Low Cost with moderate to high Benefits)	G. Evaluate and document elevation differences between water systems in Gaston County in preparation of interconnections. (New initiative, On-going strategy, no funding identified) (Low Cost	H. Construct interconnects to facilitate water interchange between municipal systems. (Continuation, On-going initiative, no funding, long term strategy) (High Cost with Potentially High Benefits)
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	Dallas	Codes, Dallas	County Natural Resources	Emergency Management, Dallas	Emergency Management	Dallas
	I. Continue enforcement of water use restrictions as required. (On-going strategy, no funding identified) (Low Cost with Moderate to High Benefits)	L. Enforce building, zoning and minimum housing codes. (Continuation, On-going strategy, long-term) (Low Cost with High Benefits)	M. Enforcement of Erosion & Sedimentation Ordinances. (Continuation, On-going strategy) (Low Cost with Moderate to High long Term Benefits)	N. Actively participate in mutual aid programs to strengthen suppression capabilities. (Continuation, On-going strategy) (Low Cost, High Benefits)	O. A mass, train and equip a strong fire suppression force capable of intervening in fires during incipient stages. (Continuation, On-going strategy) Moderate Cost with High Benefits)	P. Implement a program to seal and vent sewer system components, i.e. manhole covers that are located in the 100-year flood plain or other areas identified as highly probable for flooding. (Continuation, On-going strategy) (Mod. To High Costs, Mod. To High Benefits)
	Drought MODIFIED	Earthquake	Erosion & Sedimentation	Fire	Fire	Flood

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	Medium	High	Low	Low	N/A	Medium	Medium
108 257 (118)	Local Funding	Local Funding	Local Funding	Local Funding,	N/A	Local Funding, Grants, as available	N/A
	On-going	Pending Funding	Start at Adoption	On-going	N/A	Pending Funding	Pending
	Codes, Dallas	Codes	Emergency Management, Dallas	Planning, Dallas	N/A	Emergency Management, Dallas	Planning
	S. Enforce zoning and building codes to prevent construction within the flood zone. (Existing enforcement) (Continuation, On-going strategy) (Low Cost with High Benefits)	V. Enforce Building Code and educate inspectors as to mass earth movements. (New initiative, short term strategy) (Low Cost with Low to Moderate Benefits)	W. Strengthen building codes so structures are "survivable". This may also be included in educations, and the encouragement of building 'Safe Rooms' may be included.) (New initiative, On-going, short term strategy) (Low Cost High Benefits)	X. Continue to require underground utilities for new construction. (New initiative, Ongoing, short term strategy, amendment to existing regulatory ordinance where not adopted) (Low Cost with High Benefits)	Y. Provide alternative sheltering locations that open during times of Tomado Watches. (New initiative, On-going strategy) (Low to Moderate Costs with Moderate to High Benefits)	 Z. Identify a cadre of persons with 4 wheel drive vehicles that are willing to provide transportation services during ice/snow events. (New initiative, On-going strategy) (Low Cost, Mod. Benefits) 	A.A. Enhanced Flood Ordinance to match County Ordinance and place tighter restrictions on development within flood prone areas.
	Flood	Mass Earth Movement	Thunderstorms, Tornado, High Winds	Thunderstorms, Extreme Cold, Hurricane, Snow &	Tornado	Snow & Ice, Extreme Cold	Flood New STRATEGY

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TOWN of DALLAS STRATEGY SUMMARY ANALYSIS

The Town of Dallas is one of the smaller municipalities in Gaston County. As such, budget consideration due to the economic down turn has impacted many projects and programs, including Hazard Mitigation. Thus the Town's strategies reflect these constraints by relying on no and low cost strategies and continuation of on—going projects which would be in place regardless of mitigation efforts. However, mitigation efforts do lend additional support to the continuation of these programs, such as maintenance of water interconnects.

DELETED STRATEGIES

GOAL IV

- E. Determine Alternative Water Sources. Alternatives may include industrial sources, additional surface intakes, additional impoundments, wells, recycling, etc pending local requirements and conditions. With current interconnects this strategy is considered **completed** and deleted.
- F. Identify programs to provide financial and physical assistance to citizens who experience dry wells for both residential and animal locations. With current interconnects this strategy is considered **completed** and deleted.
- G. Evaluate and document elevation differences between water systems in Gaston County in preparation of interconnections. (New initiative, On-going strategy, no funding identified, Low Cost) With current interconnects this strategy is considered **completed** and deleted.
- H. Construct interconnects to facilitate water interchange between municipal systems. With current interconnects this strategy is considered **completed** and deleted.
- Y. Provide alternative sheltering locations that open during times of Tornado Watches. This strategy is deleted, since this responsibility will fall to Gaston County Emergency Management. Since all school locations are considered as potential shelter locations and the location of a tornado disaster is usually not pre-determined, the strategy is not needed.

COMPLETED STRATEGIES

GOAL II

Provide water system interconnects to increase reliability of fire protection water supply. With current interconnects this strategy is considered completed.

PENDING & ON-GOING STRATEGIES

Most

MODIFIED & COMPLETED STRATEGIES

GOAL II

A. Initiate road clearing efforts early in storms. Strategy has been modified with responsible party being now being Dallas Public works, (instead of Emergency Management) since they have the equipment to begin road clearing efforts.

GOAL III

Strategies A & B to educate the public has been modified with the Dallas Police and Fire Department being the responsible parties.

GOAL IV

- I. Develop uniform water use restriction ordinances and criteria when to enact these. This strategy has been modified to continue to enforce and monitor water use and drought conditions, due to the adoption of water use restriction regulations.
- X. Require underground utilities for new construction. Has been modified to Continue to require underground utilities

NEW STRATEGIES

GOAL IV

AA.- Strategy to enhance current Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance to include high requirements to prevent or limit future development in the floodplains.

BB. Strategy to join the Community Rating System (CRS). Participation will give incentives to practice mitigation measures and reduce future losses due to hazards.

RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION OF HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the citizens and property within the Town of Dallas are subject to the effects of natural hazards that pose threats to lives and cause damage to property, and with the knowledge that certain areas of the Town are particularly vulnerable to flooding, high winds, ice storms etc.

WHEREAS, the Town desires to seek ways to mitigate the impact of identified hazard risks; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of North Carolina has in Part 6 Article 21 of Chapter 143; Parts 3, 5 and 8 of Article 19 of Chapter 160A; and Article 8 of Chapter 160A of the North Carolina General Statutes (adopted in Session Law 2001-214: Senate Bill 300 effective July 1, 2001), states therein in Item (a) (2) "For a state of disaster proclaimed pursuant to G.S. 166A-6(a) after August 1, 2002, the eligible entity shall have a hazard mitigation plan approved to the Stafford Act"; and

WHEREAS, Section 322 of the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 states that local governments must develop an All-Hazards Mitigation Plan in order to be eligible to receive future Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Funds and other disaster-related assistance funding and that said Plan must be updated and adopted within a five year cycle; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Dallas has performed a comprehensive review and evaluation of each section of the previously approved Hazard Mitigation Plan and has updated said plan as required under regulations at 44 CFR Part 201and according to guidance issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the North Carolina Division of Emergency Management. And

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Board of Aldermen to fulfill this obligation in order that the Town of Dallas will be eligible for federal and state assistance in the event that a state of disaster is declared for a hazard event affecting the Town;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dallas hereby:

- 1. Adopts the Gaston County Hazard Mitigation Plan; and
- 2. Vests the Community Development Administrator with the responsibility, authority and means to:
 - (a) Inform all concerned parties of this action.
 - (b) Cooperate with federal, state, local agencies and private firms which undertake to study, survey, map and identify floodplain areas and cooperate with neighboring communities with respect to management of adjoining floodplain areas in order to prevent exacerbation of existing hazard impacts.
- 3. Appoints the Community Development Administrator to ensure that the Hazard Mitigation Plan is reviewed annually and every five years as specified in the Plan to ensure

that the Plan is in compliance with all Federal and State regulations and that any needed revisions or amendments to the plan are developed and presented to the Board of Aldermen for consideration.

4. Agrees to take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Adopted on this 16th day of August 2011

By:

Certified By:

SEAL: