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The Carroll County Board of Supervisors held a special monthly meeting on, May 24, 2010 at Countryside Restaurant in Hillsville.

Present were: Wesley G. Hurst
Dr. Thomas W. Littrell
David V. Hutchins
W.S. "Sam" Dickson
Andrew S. Jackson
N. Manus McMillian
Gary Larrowe, County Administrator
Ronald L. Newman, Assistant Administrator
Nikki Shank, Assistant Administrator

Mr. Hurst called the meeting to order at 8:20 a.m. and lead in invocation and pledge.

VOLUNTARY SETTLEMENT OF ANNEXATION

Mr. Larrowe showed the map of the proposed annexation. He told that there are six lots on Howlett Street that were not previously included. He told that it also goes down around the Industrial Park to the crossovers on both North and Southbound on I-77 and then goes up by Carrollwood and takes in property east of the swimming pool to the Farmers Market. He told that the Town agrees that if the County wants to add in some of their property later that they can.

Mr. Cornwell told that it would go into effect right away but it would take a couple of years to finalize.

Mr. Larrowe told that he would like to thank Dr. Littrell for his efforts in making this happen. He told that the Revenue Sharing would be in 25 year blocks and it will remain 50/50 as it is currently. He told that unless it was mutually agreed upon to change then it would go on in 25 year increments. He told that the Town will receive all of the business license tax, they will waive City status for 40 years and the PSA will have the exclusive service area. He told that the Town has agreed to sell the water wholesale to the County. Mr. Larrowe told that if both parties agree this will stop all claims.

Mr. Cornwell told that if the Town agrees that it would resolve all litigations and they will start fresh. He told that he would also like to commend Dr. Littrell who has been instrumental in working out the terms. He told that if the Town is satisfied then the area has to be surveyed and that has to be agreed upon.

Mr. Cornwell told that there are two areas shown on the map which will be called area A and area B. He told that this will require a Public Hearing to be held by both the County and the Town and he expects it to take at least a year. He told that the agreement would go into effect on June 30th after the 3 judge panel finalizes. He told that the Town agrees to waive their right to annex anymore county property for 40 years unless it is mutually agreed upon. He told that there will be Revenue Sharing in area A and we will get 50% of the meals and lodging tax. He told that the Town would keep 100% of the BPOL and if an admissions tax were to be put in place that we will get 50% of it. He told that we will continue to impose the merchant's capital tax as we do now. He told that the Interstate are would remain the same but it is a limited area. He told that the Town would still charge \$4.70 per 1000 gallons and the increase would apply only if the applied it to all citizens. Mr. Cornwell told that this agreement would terminate the 1953 and the 1986 contract. He told that on area A the PSA will be the sole provider unless they decide that they cannot supply the area. He told that each party will be responsible for their own attorney fees associated.

Mr. Dickson asked if the 1% sales tax comes back to the County. He told that if we have been sharing that in those areas that we may lose it.

Mr. Cornwell told that we are subject to lose it in those areas.

Mr. Dickson asked what effects this would have on businesses.

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Mr. Cornwell told that they would now be Town as well as County.

Mr. McMillian told that he has been in Real Estate for years and has never understood why the property owners are double taxed.

Mr. Dickson told that they get the benefit of sidewalks and street lights.

Mr. Cornwell told that they will have the same services that the rest of the Town have. He told that if the Board agrees and the Town agrees they will go to Circuit Court and ask for a continuance then get the final documents agreed upon. He told that they would then get the property surveyed and then hold a Public Hearing.

Mr. Dickson told that the final approval will take place after the Public Hearing.

Mr. Cornwell asked if this is an acceptable resolution to the issues so we can move forward.

Mr. Dickson told that he has not had time to read it.

Mr. Larowe told that nothing has changed from what was discussed.

Upon motion by Dr. Littrell, seconded by Mr. Dickson and passing, the Board approved to the general terms of the agreement subject to the Public Hearing and to move forward with the process.

Mr. Hurst thanked Dr. Littrell for his hard work in putting this together.

Dr. Littrell replied that it was his pleasure.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson	Yes
Mr. Hurst	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. McMillian	Yes

(Order)

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Mr. McMillian and passing, the Board recessed until June 14, 2010 at 4:00 p.m.

VOTES

Mr. Jackson	Yes
Mr. Hurst	Yes
Mr. Hutchins	Yes
Mr. Dickson	Yes
Dr. Littrell	Yes
Mr. McMillian	Yes

(Order)

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