

Crowell stated he had talked with the Mayor of Columbus and they have spent over \$5,000,000 and added three employees for upgrades to their plant. Peoples stated it had been talked about running sewer from Saluda when the water line was done. Kempton stated she thought that was in the Capital Improvement Plan.

5. Striping at Trade & Pacolet

Ollis stated this goes along with the Streetscape plan. Ingham stated if we are on the schedule for DOT in 2018, why should the town do this twice. Armbrust stated we should wait. Kempton stated the town would have to pay for it twice. All agreed to wait.

6. Streetscape

It was suggested and agreed upon to add streetscape to the main agenda. Ingham asked about the road widening from Columbus to Tryon. Ollis stated they plan to make it four lanes with curb and gutter around 2021. Ollis stated he will add the streetscape to the main agenda.

7. Straightening the wheel bumps on McCown Street

Ollis stated the street guys have been trying to balance between leaf pick up and other stuff. They will straighten the wheel bumps as soon as they have time. Armbrust stated we need to make the area more serviceable. Miller stated the curb on McCown from Trade Street is very dangerous. Ollis stated the street sign for McCown is also on the opposite of the road. He suggested placing a large rock on the corner so that people would be sure not to turn too closely and run into the hole and to move the sign to the right side of the road.

Crowell asked if the James Payne and Jim Jackson situation was going to be discussed in regular session. Ollis stated he could add it to the main agenda if he wanted. Both want to discuss segregation and how it was when they lived through it. He is going to invite the elementary school. Donations will be accepted to help with the cost of the event.

Miller stated a lot of people are displeased with the article in the Asheville Citizen Times newspaper. The way the article described the Eastside neighborhood he felt led everyone to believe that it was a poor neighborhood. He felt the article was very poor. He doesn't feel the article did justice for the area. He has had many phone calls about this.

Adjourn

Commissioner Ingham made a motion to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. The board will start their regular meeting at 7:00 pm.

J. Alan Peoples, Mayor

Attest:

Susan B. Bell, Town Clerk