At the Special called Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen/women of the Town of Canton held at the Walter Clark Board Chambers, December 9, 2019 at 6:30pm with Mayor Smathers and Aldermen/women Mull, Hamlett, Smith and Shepard present, the following proceedings were held.

Prior to the meeting the Swearing In Ceremony/ Oath of Office was held in the Colonial Theatre presided over by the Honorable District Court Judge, Roy Wijewickrama.

A. Call to Order

Mayor Smathers called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Mayor Smathers stated that the Manager, Assistant Manager, and Town Clerk, were present.

C. Organizational Meeting

Mayor Smathers congratulated the newly sworn in officials and stated that he looked forward to working with them. Manager Burrell instructed the Board to choose the days and times of the regularly scheduled meetings. Mayor Smathers stated that he was good with any day and time. Mayor Smathers asked Alderman Shepard what days worked best for him since he coached athletics? Alderman Shepard stated that Thursdays at 6:30pm worked best for his schedule. Alderman Hamlett, Mull and Smith concurred. Alderman Hamlett made a motion to set the Regularly Scheduled meeting days and time to be the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of every month at 6:30 p.m. in the Walter Clark Board Chambers. Alderwoman Mull seconded. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Manager Burrell instructed the Board that they would need to appoint the Mayor Pro-Tem. Alderman Hamlett made a motion to re-appoint Alderwoman Gail Mull as Mayor Pro-Tem. Alderman Shepard seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion.

D. Public Comments

N/A

E. Reports from the Manager

Manager Burrell updated the Board on a property agreement with Haywood County Schools for the Pisgah Softball Field property that he would bring to them in January for their consideration.

Manager Burrell stated that the Town would be sending out postcards preparing residents for the recycling cart program to be implemented sometime in February.

Manager Burrell reminded the Board that the Employee Christmas Meal would be held on December 23, 2019 at noon in the Armory.

Alderman Shepard inquired if the right of ways for the lift stations would be in the property contract with the school system? Manager Burrell responded that they would be in the contract.

Alderman Hamlett asked if a work session could be scheduled in January? Manager Burrell asked the members to get back to himself or Clerk Stinnett with dates that would work for them.

F. Adjournment:

The next meeting will be on Thursday, January 9, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in the Walter Clark Board Chambers. There being no additional business, Mayor Smathers adjourned the Meeting at 7.14 p.m.

Melisa Stinnett, Town Clerk