Commissioner Stafford presented a 0-5 year plan and a 6-10 year plan for development of the water & sewer system as indicated on the map at the Town Services Office.

(System Improvements) Commissioner Stafford moved first reading for the list of needs to the system and requested adoption of the items as a basis to establish priorities and the list be referred to Supervisor Post to be prioritized. Commissioner Andrews seconded. CARRIED

Mayor Abernethy moved the plan be tabled for a further report at the June meeting. Commissioner Stafford seconded. CARRIED

(Street Light) A communication has been received from Jack Gaw requesting a street light on Chapman Home Road on the pole opposite the Ault house. Commissioner Andrews moved the request be granted. Commissioner Stafford seconded. CARRIED

A communication has been received from John Sutton expressing the concern of the MRA regarding the closing of Gaither Circle.

Supervisor Post reported that the water/sewer line installation has been completed on Virginia Road. Paving will hopefully begin next week. The leak detection device from the State is to be here next week to search for leaks in the water lines.

Supervisor Post also reported that Fletcher Phillips will retire in June.

Gus Manis, Building Inspector, reported that building is progressing in Montreat. At present there are 3 houses under construction.

Planning & Zoning reported they had approved the name of Eastminster Terrace as the name for the new extension of Shenandoah. They also approved the wildflower garden request.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

John K. Abernethy, Mayor
E. A. Andrews, Jr., Commissioner

Ivan B. Stafford, Commissioner
Betty Jo Pressley, Town Clerk

Board of Commissioners - Town of Montreat - June 13, 1985

The Board of Commissioners for the Town of Montreat met for their regularly scheduled meeting - June 13, 1985, Gaither Hall.

Mayor Abernethy called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM and welcomed all visitors. The pledge of allegiance was given and Commissioner Stafford led in prayer.

Present: John K. Abernethy
E. A. Andrews, Jr.
Ivan B. Stafford

(Minutes) The minutes for the May 9 meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Stafford moved approval as submitted. Commissioner Andrews seconded. CARRIED

(Final Reading-Budget) Jay Lee presented the third and final reading of the proposed 1985-86 budget. Commissioner Stafford moved adoption. Commissioner Andrews seconded. CARRIED

(Town Charter) Mayor Abernethy reported that he had received word that the revised Town Charter has been approved by the N. C. General Assembly. Commissioner Stafford moved a copy of the bill be placed in the minutes as part of permanent record. Commissioner Andrews seconded. CARRIED

(Audit Contract) The audit contract has been received. Commissioner Stafford moved the Mayor and Finance Officer be authorized to sign. Commissioner Andrews seconded. CARRIED

(Financial Statement) Jay Lee presented the financial statement. Commissioner Stafford moved adoption. Commissioner Andrews seconded. CARRIED

Commissioner Andrews reported that the Junk Pick-Up Day will be June 21. He also reported that the extra trash pick up day will begin the Thursday after June 15 and end on the Thursday after October 15.

(Parade Permit) A request has been received from the Mountain Retreat Association for a parade permit for July 4. Commissioner Stafford moved the request be granted and a permit given. Commissioner Andrews seconded. CARRIED

(Resolution of Intent) Mayor Abernethy presented the following Resolution of Intent to propose an Ordinance to make certain changes in the structure of the Town Board of Commissioners and called for a Public Hearing - June 27, 1985.
A RESOLUTION OF INTENT, 13, JUNE 85

In accordance with G.S. 160A-102 of the General Assembly of North Carolina, the Monotreat Board of Commissioners hereby resolves and announces its intention to adopt an Ordinance altering portions of the newly revised Town Charter; namely, Article II, sections 2.2 and 2.3, to provide for the election of Mayor by the electorate to serve a four-year term and staggered terms for the three Commissioners. Thus, in the municipal election of 1985 the Mayor and the Commissioner receiving the highest number of votes will both serve four-year terms and the other two Commissioners elected will serve a two-year term. This proposed optional form is authorized by G.S. 160A-101 (3), (5), (8a) and (9a).

There will be a Public Hearing on this proposed Ordinance at 7:30 PM on June 27 (a Thursday) in Gaither room 4, and an Adjourned meeting of the Board of Commissioners at 8:00 PM to facilitate a first reading on the proposed Ordinance.

Commissioner Stafford moved adoption of the resolution. Commissioner Andrews seconded. CARRIED

(UNNECESSARY NOISE) Commissioner Stafford moved the resolution of intent regarding unnecessary noise and other abuses in the Town be ready at the June 27 adjourned meeting. Commissioner Andrews seconded. CARRIED

(LAND OF SKY) Mayor Abernethy reported that the contract from the Land of Sky for staff services in the amount of $3,000.00 has been received. Commissioner Andrews moved acceptance and the Mayor be authorized to sign. Commissioner Andrews seconded. CARRIED

Mayor Abernethy reported that Mr. & Mrs. Bob Earnest have withdrawn their request for the Wildflower Rock in Monotreat.

Mayor Abernethy reported that the Powell Bill packet has been received for reply.

Mayor Abernethy reported that a communication of appreciation has been received from the State Engineer regarding the assistance our men gave him with the leak detection device.

Supervisor Post reported that paving of Chapman Home Road has been completed. Repaving has also been completed on Virginia Road. Trimming of the rights of way is now being done.

(BUILDING PERMIT) The Building Inspector, Gus Manis, reported that several small repair permits have been issued this month. He reported that a request has been received from Montreat Anderson College to remove the triangle on the Lookout Road & Appalachian Way intersection and relocation of the fire hydrant and pole. Commissioner Andrews moved the request be granted. Commissioner Stafford seconded. CARRIED

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until June 27, 1985, Gaither Hall.

John K. Abernethy, Mayor

E. A. Andrews, Jr., Commissioner

Ivan B. Stafford, Commissioner

Betty Jo Pressley, Town Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING - BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS - TOWN OF MONTREAT - June 27, 1985

Mayor Abernethy called the Public Hearing to order at 7:30 PM.

Mayor Abernethy read the two proposed Ordinances to be on the docket for the July 11, 1985 regular Town Meeting.

The pros and cons of the ordinance were discussed by residents present.

Mayor Abernethy called for conclusion of the meeting at 8:45 PM.

ADJOURNED MEETING - BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS - TOWN OF MONTREAT - June 27, 1985

The adjourned meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the Town of Monotreat began at 8:45 PM, to present the first reading of the ordinance regarding changes in the Board of Commissioners terms of office.
(ORDINANCE) Mayor Abernethy read the following Ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF MONTREAT CHANGING THE NUMBER ON THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FROM THREE TO FOUR, TO PROVIDE FOR ELECTING THE MAYOR BY ALL THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE TOWN AND IMPLEMENTING FOUR-YEAR STAGGERED TERMS FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Montreat:

Section 1. Pursuant to G.S. 150A-101 and 160A-102, the charter of the Town of Montreat as set forth in Chapter 295 of the 1985 Session Laws of North Carolina, as amended, is hereby further amended (a) to provide that the Montreat Board of Commissioners shall hereafter consist of four members; and, (b) to provide that the mayor shall be elected by all the qualified voters of the Town; and, (c) to provide that the members of the Board of Commissioners shall hereafter be elected for four-year terms on a staggered basis as follows: at the regular municipal election to be held in 1985 the mayor and the commissioner candidate who received the highest number of votes shall both be elected to four-year terms, while the two commissioner candidates who receive the next highest number of votes shall be elected for two-year terms. Beginning at the regular municipal election to be held in 1987, and every four years thereafter, two commissioner members of the Board of Commissioners shall be elected to serve for four-year terms. Beginning at the regular municipal election to be held in 1989, and every four years thereafter, the mayor and one commissioner member of the Board of Commissioners shall be elected to serve for four-year terms.

Section 2. Subject to any referendum petition for and conducted pursuant to G.S. 160A-103, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the fifteenth day of July, 1985.

John K. Abernethy, Mayor

ATTEST:

Betty Jo Pressley, Town Clerk

Commissioner Andrews moved first reading of the ordinance. Commissioner Stafford seconded. CARRIED

(ORDINANCE DOCKETED) Commissioner Stafford moved the ordinance be docketed to the July meeting. Commissioner Andrews seconded. CARRIED

(PUBLIC NUISANCE & NOISE ORDINANCE) Commissioner Stafford moved to revise the section of ordinances on Public Nuisance and Noise Ordinance and to further define noise as a public nuisance—Chapter I, Article 2, General Nuisances. Commissioner Andrews seconded. CARRIED

(BRIDGE INSPECTIONS) A communication has been received from the Department of Transportation regarding bridge inspections in the Town. Mayor Abernethy moved the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to sign necessary documents. Commissioner Stafford seconded. CARRIED

(BUDGET AMENDMENT) Commissioner Stafford moved the amendment of the budget for the Town of Montreat for fiscal year ended June 30, 1985 as follows:

CURRENT FUND
Revenues from 260,204 to 281,244
Expenditures
General Govt. from 56,914 to 55,101
Police Dept. from 108,776 to 104,496
Public Works from 85,747 to 100,911
Special Appropr. from 8,767 to 20,736
Total from 260,204 to 281,244

WATER FUND
Revenues from 142,149 to 136,800
Expenditures from 142,149 to 136,800

Commissioner Andrews seconded. CARRIED

(AUDIT CONTRACT) Commissioner Stafford reported that the State Treasurer's Dept. has returned the approved audit contract. Commissioner Stafford moved this information be entered into record. Commissioner Andrews seconded. CARRIED
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

John K. Abernethy, Mayor  
E. A. Andrews, Jr., Commissioner

Ivan B. Stafford, Commissioner  
Betty Jo Pressley, Town Clerk

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS - TOWN OF MONTREAT - July 11, 1985

The Board of Commissioners for the Town of Montreat met for their regularly scheduled meeting on July 11, 1985, Gaither Hall.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Mayor Abernethy. Visitors were welcomed. The pledge of allegiance was given and Commissioner Andrews led in prayer.

PRESENT: John K. Abernethy  
E. A. Andrews, Jr.  
Ivan B. Stafford

(MINUTES) The minutes for the June meetings were reviewed. Commissioner Andrews moved approval as corrected. Commissioner Stafford seconded. CARRIED

(TOWN CHARTER AMENDMENT) Mayor Abernethy presented the ordinance amending the section of the Town Charter changing the composition of the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Andrews moved adoption on the third reading effective as of July 15, 1985 if no petition is issued. Commissioner Stafford seconded. CARRIED

Mayor Abernethy stated that noon - August 30 is the opening date for filling to run for Municipal Office and noon - September 20 is the closing date.

(HIGHLAND AREA RESOLUTION) Mayor Abernethy presented the following resolution regarding accepting the Highlands Area and the document returning the unused well sites and the use of open reservoirs to the Mountain Retreat Association.

RESOLUTION

Be It Resolved that the Town Clerk and Mayor be authorized to execute approval of (1) an agreement regarding acceptance of Highlands Area improvements specifying that interest at 8% be eliminated against non-participating owners of specified lots and (2) documents returning unused well sites and the use of open reservoirs to Mountain Retreat Association, specifying that 8 inch and 6 inch lines used to feed the reservoirs and the chlorine house remain town property. Signing to be done at recommendation of Town's attorney.

Commissioner Stafford moved adoption. Mayor Abernethy seconded. CARRIED

(DELETION) Commissioner Andrews moved to strike the section regarding the interest in the Highland Area section of the resolution. Mayor Abernethy seconded. CARRIED

Commissioner Andrews reported there had been some complaints about the garbage pick up. He has relayed the messages to Mr. Hamilton. He also reported that work is still being done on Chapman Home Road.

Commissioner Stafford reported the men have been repairing leaks in the lines. He also reported that money has been given to the Town to purchase their own leak detection equipment.

(FINANCIAL STATEMENT) Jay Lee presented the financial statement. Commissioner Stafford moved adoption. Commissioner Andrews seconded. CARRIED

Chief of Police, Ronnie Halford, presented the quarterly police report.

Mayor Abernethy reported that a note of appreciation has been received from the Mountain Retreat Association for the $300.00 donation made by the Town.

Supervisor Post had no report.

Building Inspector Gus Mainis presented his year-end report.

Tom Malley reported that the Planning & Zoning Commission are still working on the revision of the Town Ordinances.