

MINUTES OF MIDWAY TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 7, 2013 AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE MIDWAY FIRE AND RESCUE BUILDING, 228 MIDWAY SCHOOL ROAD, MIDWAY, NORTH CAROLINA

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Norman Wilkes called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone present.

Councilor Sue Stephens gave the invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance prior to the opening gavel.

Councilors present were: Mike McAlpine, Robin Moon, and Sue Stephens. Absent: Councilors John Byrum and Todd Nifong. Town Manager Ryan Ross, Town Clerk Linda Hunt and Town Attorney Jim Lanik were present.

Each Councilor had been furnished an agenda prior to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine noted an error in the September 16, 2013 minutes of the Town Council Joint Meeting with the Planning Board. On Page 1 of the minutes under Purpose of Joint Meeting, Paragraph 3, second bullet should read **770** trees per acre instead of 170 trees per acre as reflected in the minutes.

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine, seconded by Councilor Robin Moon, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the August 26, 2013 Town Council regular meeting as presented.

On motion by Councilor Sue Stephens, seconded by Councilor Robin Moon, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2013 Town Council Meeting as presented.

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine, seconded by Councilor Sue Stephens, Council voted unanimously to approve the September 16, 2013 Town Council Meeting as amended.

PUBLIC ADDRESS

There were none.

ADOPT AGENDA

Town Manager Ryan Ross recommended deleting Item 1. Town Yard Sale Policy Council under VII. REGULAR BUSINESS and the agenda amended accordingly.

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine, seconded by Councilor Sue Stephens, Council voted unanimously to adopt the agenda as amended.

OPENING REMARKS BY MAYOR

Mayor Wilkes congratulated Dan Wishnietsky on receiving the Civil Air Patrol's Gill Robb Wilson Award. The Gill Robb Wilson Award is the highest award for Senior Member professional development. It recognizes senior members who have dedicated themselves to leadership and personal development in the CAP. The CAP first gave this award in 1964 to honor the late Gill Robb Wilson who is regarded as the founder of Civil Air Patrol and served as CAP's first executive officer.

Mr. Wishnietsky thanked the Mayor for the recognition, adding that the award was not about him but about all the volunteers who assisted in the "search and rescue" missions.

REGULAR BUSINESS

TOWN YARD SALE POLICY

This item was deleted when the amended agenda was adopted.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORTS

UPDATE ON TOWN PROPERTY AND HOUSE

Town Manager Ryan Ross reported that clearing of unsalable trees on the Town's property has begun. The next step is to find a fence contractor to install the fence as previously discussed by Council. Funds have been allocated for these purposes.

Councilor Moon asked if there is a plan in place for mowing of the property. Mayor Pro Tem McAlpine said that would be decided after the fence is put up and the property has been hydro seeded.

Councilor Stephens stated the Council has not yet had the opportunity to review the information from the three contractors.

Due to the absence of Councilor Nifong at this meeting, an update on the house was not given.

LIGHTING AT HIGHWAY 52 AND HICKORY TREE ROAD INTERCHANGE

Town Manager Ryan Ross informed Council that he has submitted a letter to Pat Ivey, NCDOT Division 9 Engineer, requesting that the large highway lighting system be installed at the Highway 52/Hickory Tree Road interchange. If the project meets the NCDOT criteria, the Town could possibly receive funding for this project from the State Revolving Grant Funds. It was also noted that the Town would be responsible for the cost of power associated with these lights.

For information only.

CHRISTMAS PARADE

This item was not listed on the agenda.

Town Manager Ryan Ross said the sponsors of the Midway Christmas Parade have requested the Town to provide port-a-johns again this year for the parade. In addition, the sponsors have also requested additional funds from the Town to pay for the cost of six to eight banners that would be put up for the parade. Sufficient funds are allocated in the current year's budget to cover these costs.

It was the consensus of Council to provide funding for the port-a-johns and banners from the budgeted amount for the Christmas Parade.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine, seconded by Councilor Robin Moon, Council voted unanimously to recess to closed session in accordance with N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6) for matters pertaining to personnel.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine, seconded by Councilor Sue Stephens, Council voted unanimously to reconvene to open session.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councilor Robin Moon, seconded by Councilor Sue Stephens, Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Norman L. Wilkes, Mayor

Linda A. Hunt, Town Clerk