

MINUTES OF MIDWAY TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JULY 12, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT MIDWAY TOWN HALL, 426 GUMTREE ROAD, MIDWAY, NORTH CAROLINA

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor John Byrum called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone present.

Mayor John Byrum gave the invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance prior to the opening gavel.

Councilors present were: John Byrum, Berkley Alcorn, Robin Moon, Keith Leonard, Mike McAlpine, and Jackie Edwards. Absent: None. Town Manager Tammy Michael, Town Clerk Linda Hunt, and Deputy Clerk Tammy Robertson were present.

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

No members of press were in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine, seconded by Councilor Jackie Edwards, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2021 Town Council Regular meeting as presented.

PUBLIC ADDRESS

Mr. Richard Wilburn of 232 Meadow Trail in Midway expressed concerns about the number of potholes located along Meadow Trail. He would like for the potholes to be repaired like they have been along Ralph Miller Road and Midbrook Run which connect to Meadow Trail.

Mrs. Judith Cox of 420 Fred Sink Road in Midway shared her concerns with Council about gunfire in Midway. Individuals in Country Lane are shooting guns recreationally and Mrs. Cox feels it is not safe to be outside while this is occurring. It also scares children playing in the neighborhood. A Deputy with the Davidson County Sheriff's office investigated the complaint and found the individuals to be in compliance by having a permit to own a gun. Mrs. Cox would like for Council to consider an Ordinance for the Town of Midway prohibiting the shooting of firearms inside the Town Limits.

ADOPT AGENDA

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine, seconded by Councilor Keith Leonard, Council voted unanimously to adopt the agenda as presented.

PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED ADOPTION OF THE TOWN OF MIDWAY COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN UPDATE

At the June 7, 2021 Town Council meeting, Town Council called for a public hearing to be held on July 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall to receive citizen input on the proposed adoption of the Town of Midway Comprehensive Land Use Plan Update.

Copies of the proposed Town of Midway Comprehensive Land Use Plan Update were made available for review at Town Hall and on the Town's website at www.midway-nc.gov.

The public hearing was advertised in *The Dispatch* on June 25 and July 2, 2021 as required by law.

Mr. Jason Epley with Benchmark presented the highlights of the proposed Land Use Plan Update that was developed over a twelve-month period that included the Town's Planning Board, Town Council, and the community. Included in the update is the Purpose of the Plan which includes the following:

- The Land Use Plan is the blueprint for the future of the Town.
- The plan looks at development trends, previously approved plans, demographic and economic data, and community perceptions.
- The plan serves as the primary policy guide for decision making regarding:
 - Land Use and Development
 - Transportation
 - Utilities
 - Parks and Recreation
 - Capital Investments

The process of developing the Land Use Plan Update included the following six phases:

- Phase One – Update Background Research
- Phase Two – Visioning & Development of Goals
- Phase Three – Objective & Strategy Development
- Phase Four – Draft Plan Development & Review
- Phase Five – Final Plan Development & Review
- Phase Six – Adoption Process

Midway's Plan for the future is based on the following four core principles established through community input:

- Midway is a place for commerce.
- Midway is a place for recreation.
- Midway is a place for mobility.
- Midway is a place that values character.

Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine thanked Jason Epley and the Planning Board members for all of their work in updating the Town's Land Use Plan.

Mayor Byrum opened the public hearing on the proposed adoption of the Town of Midway Comprehensive Land Use Plan Update.

There being no one desiring to speak on the proposed Comprehensive Land Use Plan Update, Mayor Byrum closed the public hearing.

On motion by Councilor Robin Moon, seconded by Councilor Berkley Alcorn, Council voted unanimously to adopt the proposed Comprehensive Town of Midway Land Use Plan Update as presented.

REGULAR BUSINESS

ADOPT RESOLUTION ON STATEMENT OF CONSISTENCY - CHAPTER 160D AMENDMENTS

At the June 7, 2021 Town Council meeting, Council held public hearings to receive citizen input on the adoption of Mandated Text Amendments to the Town of Midway Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances to comply with North Carolina General Statute (N.C.G.S.) 160D.

Town Manager Tammy Michael stated to Council that the Resolution on Statement of Consistency is an affirmation that Council has approved the amendments to the Town's Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances as they pertain to the provisions of North Carolina General Statutes 160D.

On motion by Councilor Jackie Edwards, seconded by Councilor Keith Leonard, Council voted unanimously to adopt a Resolution on Statement of Consistency as it relates to the adoption of Chapter 160D text amendments to the Town of Midway Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances as presented.

**RESOLUTION ON STATEMENT OF CONSISTENCY
CHAPTER 160D AMENDMENTS
TOWN OF MIDWAY TOWN COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, during its June 7, 2021 regular meeting, Town Council reviewed and approved the proposed amendments to the Town of Midway Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances in accordance with the provisions of North Carolina General Statute 160D; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council did find and conclude that the proposed ordinance amendments are reasonable and in the public interest because it brings the local ordinances into compliance with applicable North Carolina law and supports the Town of Midway Comprehensive Land Use Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council hereby adopts this written Statement of Consistency as it relates to the adoption of the text amendments to the Town of Midway Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances.

Adopted this the 12th day of July 2021.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORTS

TOWN PARK UPDATE

Town Manager Tammy Michael provided to Council the following update on the progress of the Town Park:

- Phase II Toddler Playground Equipment ordered per Jon Dumont – Creative Playscapes LLC.
- Town Park Shelter Permit approved by Davidson County. The next step is to meet with Metropolis Architecture to go over the schedule for putting the project out to bid, setting up a pre-bid meeting, and a date for receiving bids (with an expected completion date to be included in the project specifications).
- Shade umbrella for the playground has been ordered, in production three to four weeks per Jon Dumont-Creative Playscapes, LLC.
- Lower Loop East camera – KNC Technologies is working with the manufacturing engineers to identify the issue (why the camera continues to fail primarily during storms). Mike McCloskey, Operations Manager with KNC, has received the replacement camera and will have the cable inside the pole replaced before installing the new camera.
- Overflow Parking – Coordinating a timeline with contractor for initial grading of the project.

HOME TRUST BANK MIDWAY BRANCH CLOSING

It was the consensus of Council to have Town Manager Tammy Michael send a letter to Home Trust Bank from the Town encouraging bank officials not to close the bank's Midway office. This is the only bank remaining open within the corporate limits of the Town, where the Town and many of the Town's residents have established and enjoyed a long-term relationship. Home Trust Bank currently holds deposits from the Town.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Town Manager Tammy Michael provided Council with monthly financial reports for June 30, 2021 as follows:

JUNE 30, 2021

Total Income	\$ 1,815,528	128.2 % of overall budget
Total Expenses	\$ 1,037,821	73.3 % of overall budget

For information only.

Council was provided with a list of the Town's open Solid Waste violations that Davidson County Planning and Zoning is currently working to abate for the Town. Town Manager Tammy Michael will provide monthly updates.

For information only.

Ms. Michael stated that the Town has received payment from the North Carolina Department of Transportation for the right of way and permanent/temporary easement acquisitions for the replacement of the Gumtree Road bridge. The funds will be deposited the Town's account at First National Bank.

For information only.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councilor Jackie Edwards, seconded by Keith Leonard, Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

John E. Byrum, Mayor

Tammy H. Robertson, Deputy Clerk