

**MINUTES OF MIDWAY TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 2, 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 Pro Tem Mike McAlpine introduced Mr. Adam Baity who gave the invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance prior to the opening gavel.

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

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

No members of the press were in attendance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine, seconded by Councilor Robin Moon, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2021 Town Council Regular meeting as presented.

**PUBLIC ADDRESS**

Mr. Richard Walburn of 232 Meadow Trail in Lexington, thanked Council for having potholes repaired on Meadow Trail in a timely manner. Mr. Walburn attended the July 12, 2021 Town Council meeting requesting the potholes to be repaired on Meadow Trail like they had on neighboring roads.

**ADOPT AGENDA**

On motion by Councilor Keith Leonard, seconded by Councilor Jackie Edwards, Council voted unanimously to adopt the agenda as presented.

**REGULAR BUSINESS**

**MAKE APPOINTMENT TO TOWN HALL BUILDING COMMITTEE**

At the August 5, 2013 Town Council meeting, former Councilor Todd Nifong was appointed as chairman of a committee to oversee the renovations of the current Town Hall building. Councilor Nifong selected current Town Councilor Jackie Edwards and Planning Board member James Smith to serve on the committee. In December 2019, Councilor Nifong ended his term serving on the Town Council thereby, leaving a vacancy on the committee. Councilor Edwards and Planning Board member James Smith have continued to serve on the committee, and Council would like to fill the vacancy left by Councilor Nifong.

Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine nominated Councilor Berkley Alcorn to serve on the Town Hall Building Committee.

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine, seconded by Councilor Jackie Edwards, Council voted unanimously to appoint Councilor Berkley Alcorn to the Town Hall Building Committee.

**TOWN MANAGER'S REPORTS**

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Town Manager Tammy Michael provided Council with monthly financial reports for July 31, 2021 as follows:

<b>JULY 31, 2021</b>		
Total Income	\$ 127,324	9.0 % of overall budget
Total Expenses	\$ 37,307	2.6 % of overall budget

For information only.

**TOWN PARK UPDATE**

Town Manager Tammy Michael provided Council with the following updates on the progress of the Town Park:

- **Picnic Shelter**

Meeting scheduled for Monday, August 2, 2021, at 3:00 p.m. with Metropolis Architect, Town Attorney, and staff to discuss the schedule for putting the shelter project out for bid, setting up a pre-bid meeting, and a date for receiving the bids (with an expected completion date to be included in the project specifications). Mrs. Michael will provide Council with updated information after the meeting.

*Update: The meeting discussion included putting the building project out for bids to as many contractors as possible. All potential bidders will have access to the bids through an automated drop box. Pre-bid consultation will be mandatory with a site visit to the property.*

- **Town Park Playground**

Shade umbrella for the playground has been ordered. Update per Jon Dumont with Creative Playscapes, LLC email on July 26, 2021. "No changes. We are at the mercy of Covid Delays on all orders. I do hope the shade ships to us soon. I will keep you posted. This will more likely be a fall installation."

- **Town Park Playground – Phase II**

*Update: An email was received by staff from Jon Dumont regarding a substantial price increase in the poured in place bonded rubber mulch for the phase II playground equipment. The price on the Town's order could increase anywhere from \$17,000 to over \$20,000 due to there being no supply of the mulch material. It was the consensus of Council to wait on the market to adjust costs on the rubber mulching before moving forward with the installation of the phase II playground equipment.*

- **Town Park Cameras**

Lower Loop East camera – KNC Technologies. KNC has received the replacement camera for the Lower Loop East – KNC plans to change the cabling inside the pole it is mounted on and taking the headend equipment off the panel directly and moving to battery backup. Once they get all the prep work completed, they will install as soon as possible.

- **Overflow Parking**

Overflow Parking – Brad Coe with Coe Forestry & Surveying has been in contact with Chris Sink Hauling & Grading to begin work on the overflow parking lot.

For information only.

**“CRISIS COMMUNICATIONS FOR CITY AND COUNTY LEADERS” WEBINAR JULY 16, 2021 UNC- SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT**

Town Manager Tammy Michael attended a webinar through the UNC School of Government that covered the benefits of having a communications policy and how to handle crisis situations if they arise. Mrs. Michael stated that the webinar was very beneficial and engaging. Provided to Council was literature from the webinar that included fifteen must-do tasks in a crisis, how to communicate with the media in an emergency situation, and Crisis Communications for City and County Leaders presented by speaker Mark R. Weaver with Communications Counsel.

For information only.

**CITY OF THOMASVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT NEW BUILDING DEDICATION AUGUST 3, 2021**

The City of Thomasville will host a New Building Dedication for the City of Thomasville’s new Police Department on Tuesday, August 3, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. at 250 West Main Street in Thomasville.

For information only.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS SOCIAL AUGUST 31, 2021**

The Town of Wallburg will host an Elected Officials Dinner at the Wallburg Town Hall on Tuesday, August 31, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

For information only.

**SET DATE FOR VISION WORKSHOP**

On motion by Councilor Robin Moon, seconded by Councilor Berkley Alcorn, Council voted unanimously to schedule a Vision Workshop on Monday, October 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall.

**REMINDER: TOWN HALL WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY SEPTEMBER 6, 2021 IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY**

Town Manager Tammy Michael reminded Town Council that Town Hall will be closed on Monday, September 6, 2021 in observance of Labor Day.

**NEXT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 7, 2021**

Due to the Labor Day Holiday falling on a Monday, the next Town Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 7, 2021.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On motion by Councilor Jackie Edwards, seconded by Councilor Keith Leonard, Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

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John E. Byrum, Mayor

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Tammy H. Robertson, Deputy Clerk