

**MINUTES OF MIDWAY TOWN COUNCIL VISION SESSION HELD ON FEBRUARY 17, 2022  
AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM AT MIDWAY TOWN HALL, 426 GUMTREE  
ROAD, MIDWAY, NORTH CAROLINA**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor John Byrum called the meeting to order.

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

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

There were no members of the press in attendance.

**ADOPT AGENDA**

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

**VISION SESSION**

**UPDATES OF VISION PRIORITIES FROM FEBRUARY 2021 VISION SESSION**

Town Manager Tammy Michael provided Council with updates on the priorities set by Council at their Vision Session on October 11, 2021 as follows: (**Bold indicates action or progress**)

➤ **Town Park**

- Shelter/Gazebo/Town Park Sign
  - **Re-advertised Bids on January 4, 2022**
  - **Published in The Dispatch, Winston-Salem Journal, Town's website, and Greater Diversity News**
  - **Bids opened Tuesday, February 1, 2022**
  - **Council set Special Meeting at the February 7, 2022, meeting to discuss bids and take possible action at the Special Meeting on February 14, 2022, at 11:30 a.m.**
- Phase II Toddler Playground
  - **Equipment installed, rubber surface installed, ready for landscaping**
- Additional General Recreation Areas
  - **Retain as Vision Priority for another phase to the Park**
- Family Movie Night
  - **Retain as Vision Priority once construction is completed**

➤ **Beautification Signs**

- **On-going – Remove current beautification sign at the end of Hickory Tree Road and Old US Highway 52 and replace with a larger sign at the water tower on Hickory Tree Road coming into Town. Upgrade other beautification signs in the Town to enhance/brand the image of the Town.**

➤ **Town Motto**

- **Unable to alter or revise Town Seal to add Town Motto if adopted Town Seal is artistic and copyrighted – protected until the demise of artist plus 70 years**

➤ **Personnel Committee**

- **Committee has met two times. Comprehensive review is in process and will undergo review by Town Attorney and Town Council.**

Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine suggested getting an aerial view of the park and the Council agreed.

Mayor Pro Tem stated he has attempted to contact several sign companies to discuss replacement of the Town's beautification signs but has not received any responses. He will continue to reach out to sign companies.

Council discussed officially adopting "In God We Trust" as the Town motto and including the motto under the Town seal wherever possible. Staff is to draft a resolution for adoption of the Town motto at the April Town Council meeting for Council consideration.

**SETTING VISIONS PRIORITIES**

Mayor Byrum commented that the Town Park is certainly the Town's main priority but asked Council if there were other priorities they would like to add. The list of priorities established are as follows:

- Town Park (Retained from October 11, 2021 Vision Session)
  - Construction of picnic shelter and gazebo
  - Aerial view of the park
  - Additional general recreation area
  - Family movie night
  - Additional lighting and security cameras for the playground/shelter areas  
(Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine has met with the Duke Energy Representative regarding the additional lighting. He has also met with Brad Coe regarding the lights around the medallion at the picnic shelter and the playground.)
- Beautification Signs (Retained from October 11, 2021 Vision Session)
  - Remove current beautification sign at the end of Hickory Tree Road and Old US Highway 52 and replace with a larger sign at the water tower comin into Town.
  - Upgrad other beautification signs in the Town to enhance/band the image of the Town.
  - Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine to continue to reach out to sign companies about upgrading and replacing with larger signs using the round Town seal.
- Subdivision Ordinance
  - Review for possible revisions
  - Determine "threshold for what defines subdivision"
  - Staff to meet with Davidson County Planning and Zoning staff Lee Crook, Travis Swain and Scott Leonard to discuss areas of concern
- Revision of Personnel Policy (Retained from October 11, 2021 Vision Session)
  - Personnel Committee to complete review of current policy and bring recommendation back to Council on revisions when work is completed and reviewed by Town Attorney.

- Midway School Road/Norman Shoaf Road (Continued Priority)
  - Congestion from school traffic on Midway School Road/Old US Highway 52
    - Need to involve North Carolina Department of Transportation, Davidson County, Davidson County Schools, Midway Fire Department, and Town of Midway to help resolve traffic congestion issue on Midway School Road and Old Highway 52 during morning and afternoon school dropoff and pickup times
  - Increased school traffic on Norman Shoaf Road
    - Road needs paving/widening to handle increased traffic
  
- More illumination for flag pole at Town Hall
  - Electrician to be contacted to increase lighting of flag
  
- Grocery Store
  - Residents still expressing need for grocery store in Midway
  
- Public Address Portion of Town Council Meeting
  - Telephone number added on contact information section on sign-up sheet
  - Advise speakers that Council will take their concerns under advisement and inform them they can stay after the meeting to talk with Council about those concerns if they would like to do so
  
- Sewer Rates
  - Sewer Committee appointed at the February 7, 2022 Town Council Meeting. Committee to discuss possible increase in tap fees and impact fees and bring recommendation back to Council.

## **TOWN MANAGERS REPORTS**

### **ARP FUNDS**

No additional updates on allowable expenditures. Staff is attending available webinars.

### **ADOPTION OF FOURTH EDITION OF “SUGGESTED RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR CITY COUNCIL”**

Town Council adopted the Fourth Edition on January 3, 2022 and retained the second motion requirement.

### **IT VENDOR PROPOSAL**

Town Council voted to retain current IT Provider, One Step Computer Solutions, Inc. Council may explore other service providers prior to next contract renewal date.

### **STATE CAPITAL INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS (SCIF)**

All required documents uploaded to Office of State Budget Management (OSBM). The next steps are:

- Contracts to be issued by AOSBM
- Contracts accepted and signed by the Town
- After accepting contracts, grant monies will be deposited by OSBM to Midway's bank account

Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine reported he had attended the Davidson County Bicentennial Committee meeting and the Committee will be touring looking at historical places located in the County.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On motion by Councilor Robin Moon, seconded by Councilor Berkley Alcorn, Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

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John E. Byrum, Mayor

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Linda A. Hunt, Town Clerk