

**MINUTES OF MIDWAY TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MARCH 7, 2022
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.

Councilor Robin Moon gave the invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance prior to the opening gavel.

Councilors present were: John Byrum, Jackie Edwards, Keith Leonard, Mike McAlpine, Berkley Alcorn, and Robin Moon. Absent: None. Town Manager Tammy Michael, Town Attorney Jim Lanik, 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 the press were in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion by Councilor Jackie Edwards, seconded by Councilor Keith Leonard, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2022 Town Council Regular meeting as presented.

On motion by Councilor Robin Moon, seconded by Councilor Berkley Alcorn, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2022 Special meeting as presented.

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine, seconded by Councilor Jackie Edwards, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the February 17, 2022 Vision Workshop as presented.

PUBLIC ADDRESS

There were none.

ADOPT AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine requested the agenda be amended as follows:

Change item VIII. from ADJOURNMENT to: **Add** RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION in accordance with N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(4) to discuss matters pertaining to economic development.

Add item IX. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Add item X. ADJOURNMENT

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

REGULAR BUSINESS

APPROVE CONTRACT – WILSON-COVINGTON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY – TOWN PARK SHELTER AND GAZEBO PROJECT

At a Special meeting held on February 14, 2022, Town Council awarded a contract to Wilson-Covington Construction Company for the construction of the park shelter and gazebo project. Town Attorney Jim Lanik reviewed and made minor changes to the contract stating that the bid submitted by Wilson-Covington was the lowest and most responsive bid submitted. In addition to the bid from Wilson-Covington, bids were also received from R.P.M. Partners, and Randolph Builders, Inc.

Bidder:	Wilson-Covington Construction Company	
Base Bid:	\$ 1,728,000	Shelter
Alternate No. 1	\$ No Bid	Wood Clad Columns
Alternate No. 2	\$ 50,100	Low Stone Walls
Alternate No. 3	\$ 417,000	Gazebo

Construction on the project is estimated to begin in late March and completed within two hundred seventy (270) days. Mr. Lanik said that Wilson-Covington has provided all necessary documents with the contract including a performance bond, bid bond, and certificate of insurance. Wilson-Covington has agreed to extend the quotes given on the price of materials through March 8, 2022.

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine, seconded by Councilor Keith Leonard, Council voted unanimously to approve the contract with Wilson-Covington Construction Company for the Town Park Shelter and Gazebo project. Total bid submitted for the project is \$2,195,100.00.

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (NCDOT) REQUEST TO AMEND SPEED LIMIT ON HEBRON CHURCH ROAD

North Carolina General Statutes (N.C.G.S. 20-141) impose statutory speed limits within municipal corporate limits for all vehicles at thirty-five (35) miles per hour on roads that are part of the State highway system, unless otherwise posted.

On Tuesday, March 1, 2022, NCDOT Division Traffic Engineer J.P. Couch, PE contacted the office with a request for Council to consider amending the speed limit on Hebron Church Road to forty-five (45) miles per hour. Mr. Couch has received numerous calls concerning vehicles speeding and the increased potential for accidents on Hebron Church Road when Hebron Church Road will become the main detour route for the NCDOT Gumtree Road Bridge Replacement Project.

Mr. Couch stated the NCDOT will write the ordinance changing the speed limit but will require Town Council's adoption of the amended speed limit to become effective. Once adopted, speed limit signs will be installed by NCDOT.

On motion by Councilor Berkley Alcorn, seconded by Councilor Robin Moon, Council voted unanimously to adopt Ordinance No. 22-03 to approve amending the speed limit on Hebron Church Road to forty-five (45) miles per hour as recommended by the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT).

TOWN OF MIDWAY
ORDINANCE NO. 22-03

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SPEED LIMIT ON HEBRON CHURCH ROAD (SR 1713)
TO FORTY-FIVE (45) MILES PER HOUR

WHEREAS, numerous calls concerning vehicles speeding on Hebron Church Road have been received by the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) Division Traffic Engineer; and

WHEREAS, there is increased potential for accidents on Hebron Church Road when Hebron Church Road becomes the main detour route for the NCDOT Gumtree Road Bridge Replacement Project; and

WHEREAS, upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation, NCDOT has recommended the speed limit on Hebron Church Road (SR 1713) be amended to forty-five (45) miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council does find the recommended speed limit of forty-five (45) miles per hour to be a safe and reasonable speed limit on the entirety of Hebron Church Road (SR 1713).

NOW, THEREFORE, based on the needs of the community, the recommendation of the North Carolina Department of Transportation Division Engineer, and in accordance with N.C.G.S. § 20-141, the Town Council of the Town of Midway, does hereby approve amending the speed limit on Hebron Church Road (SR 1713) to forty-five (45) miles per hour. The penalties provided by applicable law, including but not limited to those set out in N.C.G.S. § 20-141 shall remain in place and shall be unaffected by this ordinance.

Adopted this the 7th day of March, 2022.

APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS TO PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD/BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Three members of the current Planning and Zoning Board/Board of Adjustment are eligible for reappointment. Their terms expire March 31, 2022. Those members are James Smith, Carl Tuttle, and alternate member Richard Miller.

On motion by Councilor Jackie Edwards, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine, Council voted unanimously to reappoint James Smith to a three-year term on the Planning and Zoning Board/Board of Adjustment. His term will expire March 31, 2025.

On motion by Councilor Keith Leonard, seconded by Councilor Robin Moon, Council voted unanimously to reappoint Carl Tuttle to a three-year term on the Planning and Zoning Board/Board of Adjustment. His term will expire March 31, 2025.

On motion by Councilor Robin Moon, seconded by Councilor Jackie Edwards, Council voted unanimously to reappoint Richard Miller to a three-year term as an alternate member on the Planning and Zoning Board/Board of Adjustment. His term will expire March 31, 2025.

The oaths of office for the reappointed Planning and Zoning Board/Board of Adjustment members will be administered at the next Planning and Zoning Board meeting on March 29, 2022.

MANAGERS REPORTS

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Town Manager Tammy Michael provided Council with monthly financial reports for February 28, 2022 as follows:

February 28, 2022		
Total Income	\$ 1,315,565	92.9 % of overall budget
Total Expenses	\$ 691,806	48.9 % of overall budget

REMINDER – BUDGET WORKSHOP – THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M. AT TOWN HALL

Town Manager Tammy Michael reminded Council of a Budget Workshop to be held on Thursday, March 24, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.at Town Hall.

For information only.

REMINDER – ELECTED OFFICIALS BUSINESS SOCIAL – MONDAY, MARCH 28, 2022

At the Town Council Regular meeting held on February 7, 2022, Council scheduled an Elected Officials Business Social to be held on Monday, March 28, 2022. Due to scheduling conflicts with other municipalities, Council requested the Elected Officials Business Social date be changed in order to accommodate more officials.

On motion by Councilor Jackie Edwards, seconded by Councilor Robin Moon, Council voted unanimously to change the Elected Officials Business Social to Thursday, April 7, 2022 with an alternate date of Tuesday, April 12, 2022.

For information only.

REMINDER – PROVIDE LIST OF STATE MAINTAINED ROADS IN MIDWAY TO BE CONSIDERED FOR REPAVING

Council was reminded to provide a list of state-maintained roads in Midway that need repaving to Town Manager Tammy Michael. Mrs. Michael will provide the list of roads to the NCDOT for consideration.

For information only.

UNC SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT ESSENTIALS OF MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT – JUNE 16-17, 2022

Town Manager Tammy Michael informed Council that registration is now open for the in-person Essentials of Municipal Government that the UNC School of Government is offering to local elected officials. Tentative dates for the Winston Salem offering will be held on June 16-17, 2022.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

On motion by Councilor Keith Leonard, seconded by Councilor Jackie Edwards, Council voted unanimously to recess to closed in accordance with N.C.G.S.143-318.11(a)(4) to discuss matters pertaining to economic development.

(Mayor Byrum called for a ten-minute recess)

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

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

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councilor Jackie Edwards, seconded by Councilor Berkley Alcorn, Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

John E. Byrum, Mayor

Tammy H. Robertson, Deputy Clerk