

**MINUTES OF MIDWAY TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 3, 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.

Pastor David Hedrick of Promise Baptist Church in Thomasville, North Carolina, 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 Clerk Linda Hunt, and Town Attorney Jim Lanik were present.

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

There were no members of the press in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion by Councilor Jackie Edwards, seconded by Berkley Alcorn, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the September 6, 2022 regular meeting as presented.

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Mike McAlpine, seconded by Councilor Keith Leonard, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2022 Vision Session as presented.

PUBLIC ADDRESS – Members of the public may address the Town Council on items both listed and not listed on the printed agenda. Please state your name and address and observe the three-minute time limit.

Ms. Marlene Hanes of 1200 Beckner Road in Lexington, Chair of the Mission Committee at Midway United Methodist Church, addressed Council to request use of the Town Park on Sunday, May 7, 2023 to host a prayer walk. Ms. Hanes explained the walk would be a quiet time of prayer and reflection while walking around the park. Other churches in the community would be invited to participate if Council honors this request.

Mr. Rob Brunson of 1401 Country Lane in Midway addressed Council with his continued concerns regarding speeding on Country Lane. Mr. Brunson told Council there is an online petition being circulated through the Nextdoor app that residents can sign onto to request installation of a speed bump in that area.

Mr. Blake Zobrist of 1355 Country Lane in Midway reiterated Mr. Brunson's concerns about speeding on Country Lane. Mr. Zobrist also suggested Council consider building infrastructure around the park such sidewalks, curbs, and signage on Country Lane.

Sheriff Richie Simmons and Corporal Chris Azelton were present to speak to the ongoing concerns expressed by Country Lane residents and to advise Council and the residents of the actions taken by the Sheriff's Department to date. Deputies have patrolled the area and warning tickets have been given for speeding. Sheriff Simmons commented that the people stopped usually live in the neighborhood. He said the plan was to start out slow but to ramp it up if needed. Sheriff Simmons has contacted Sgt. Matt Jackson with the North Carolina Highway Patrol about the speeding problem. Corporal Azelton added that preventive measures are being taken as well such as handing out flyers and using a portable radar speed limit sign that collects and analyzes data. The data is used to determine when the majority of speeding occurs.

Pastor Rick LeBaube (Midway United Methodist Church) of 136 Dixieanna Drive in Winston-Salem addressed Council to suggest Council consider creating a prayer labyrinth at the Town Park, explaining it would be just a place to walk and pray.

ADOPT AGENDA

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

REGULAR BUSINESS

There was none.

TOWN MANGER'S REPORTS

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Town Manager Tammy Michael provided Council with monthly financial reports for September 30, 2022 as follows:

SEPTEMBER, 2022		
Total Income	\$ 592,589	37.5% of overall budget
Total Expenses	\$1,221.968	27.8% of overall budget

For information only.

TOWN PARK UPDATE

1. SHELTER & GAZEBO & WALKING TRAIL

- Concrete and brick pathways are substantially completed around the Gazebo
- Railings (removable) to be painted and installed
- Gazebo is approximately 90% complete

- The shelter roof is complete
- Delivery for the shelter siding expected first/second week in October
- According to contractor, shelter is about 63% complete

- Collaborating with KNC for additional security cameras
- Collaborating with Duke Energy for additional lighting

- Will work with architects to select uniform and cohesive signage for the park

2. PLAYGROUND

- Umbrella shades should be installed in October according to Creative Playscapes
- Areas of pour n play surfacing will be repaired when shades installed

BICENTENNIAL BASH COMMUNITY EVENT

Town Manager Tammy Michael reported that the Bicentennial Committee is planning a Bicentennial Bash community event on Saturday, November 12th from 10 to 4 at the Fairgrounds and has asked if the Town would like to have a table at the event. Sponsorships are also needed for a DJ and a petting zoo for the day. As Midway doesn't provide any utilities, there is nothing to set up on a table.

The Town will be sponsoring the petting zoo and a sign will be made showing that the petting zoo is being sponsored by the Town of Midway.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councilor Keith Leonard, seconded by Councilor Jackie Edwards, Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

John E. Byrum, Mayor

Linda A. Hunt, Town Clerk