# TOWN OF YADKINVILLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

# LOCATION: COMMISSIONERS CHAMBERS

213 VAN BUREN STREET YADKINVILLE, NC MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2025

#### OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Mayor Eddie Norman

Commissioners:

Tony Hall – Absent Monta Davis-Oliver Chris Matthews Scott Winebarger Richie Parker

Town Attorney Ben Harding

# **STAFF PRESENT:**

Town Manager: Mike Koser Town Clerk: Alex Potts

Finance Director: Hunter Gooden Event Planner: Lauren Willard

Public Works Director: Jacob Swaim

Police Chief: Randy Dimmette

Quorum requirements met – meeting proceeded.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Norman at 5:56 p.m.

#### 2. INVOCATION

Manager Mike Koser offered the invocation.

# 3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA (MOTION)

Commissioner Chris Matthews made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Commissioner Monta Davis-Oliver seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Vote: 4/0

### 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Carl Vestal, owner of 202 Bevel Jones Court, approached the Board regarding a high water bill. He reported that vandalism had occurred at his property, where a water spigot was left on for several days. Mr. Vestal requested that the sewer portion of his bill be removed. After some discussion about how Mr. Vestal will prevent this from happening again, the Board agreed to remove the sewer charge.

Commissioner Monta Davis-Oliver made a motion to remove the sewer charge of approximately \$124 from Mr. Vestal's water bill. Commissioner Chris Matthews seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Vote: 4/0

### 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (MOTION)

Commissioner Monta Davis-Oliver made a motion to approve the following minutes as presented. Commissioner Chris Matthews seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Vote: 4/0

• December 2, 2024 (Regular Meeting Minutes)

### 6. CONSENT AGENDA ITEM(S) #1 (Motion Needed to Approve Items)(Attachment #1)

- Budget Amendment #2 to increase fund balance to pay for increased cost of 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks.
- Budget Amendment #3 to increase fund balance to pay for new Flail Mower.
- A tax void totaling \$1,942.26
- A tax discovery totaling \$28,313.88
- An invoice totaling \$6,629.72

Commissioner Chris Matthews made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. Commissioner Scott Winebarger seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Vote: 4/0

# 7. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Fire Chief Jody Doss presented his monthly report to the Board.

#### 8. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Police Chief Dimmette presented his monthly report to the Board, noting that it includes the annual totals of service calls handled by the Police Department.

### 9. PUBLIC SERVICES DIRECTOR REPORT

Public Works Director Jacob Swaim provided an update to the Board regarding the roundabouts. He mentioned that Frontier Natural Gas is nearing completion of their utility line relocation. Additionally, the sewer line work is currently in progress. Mr. Swaim informed the Board that all utility work will be conducted at night.

### 10. EVENT PLANNER REPORT

Event Planner Lauren Willard provided an overview of recent activities. She informed the Board that she has been collaborating with the Yadkinville Downtown Collective to encourage the group to move forward with forming a 501(c)(3) organization. The next meeting is scheduled for January 14th at 9:00 a.m.

Ms. Willard mentioned that Mr. John Willingham has established a Wall Mural Committee for Downtown. She asked if the Town could assist business owners in funding their mural projects, should they choose to participate. It was discussed that the Town offers a Façade Grant, and the Tourism Development Authority might be able to allocate funds for this initiative.

# 11. TOWN ATTORNEY BEN HARDING

Town Attorney Ben Harding had nothing to report.

### 12. PLANNING REPORT

Manager Koser gave an overview of the Planning activity.

#### 13. MANAGER'S REPORT

• Resolution No. 2025-01 Dedication of Fernwood Phase 1 and Phase 2 Streets, Right-of-ways, Water lines, Water Line Easements, Sewer Lines, Sanitary Sewer Collector Lines, and Surface Water Drainage Lines (Attachment #3)(Motion):

Manager Koser presented Resolution No. 2025-01 to accept the dedication of Fernwood's streets, as well as water and sewer systems. He noted that all utilities are compliant with the Town's requirements.

Commissioner Chris Matthews made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2025-01, as presented. Commissioner Richie Parker seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Vote: 4/0

• Quotes for Speakers at the Park (Attachment #4):

Town Clerk Alex Potts presented two quotes for the installation of outdoor speakers at Yadkinville Community Park, both provided by Audio Unlimited. The first quote totaled \$17,373, while the second came to \$21,166. Ms. Potts mentioned that she is also exploring alternative options. The Board discussed whether to proceed with this project. Manager Koser added that he is looking into diagnostics for the digital park sign. He noted that the manufacturer is located out of state, and there may be a need to consider an upgrade. The Board reached a consensus to prioritize the sign.

- Northwood Church Road Update:
  - Manager Koser noted that Mr. Robert Baldwin has decided to continue his development with the current zoning of the Rural Residential District.
- Town Facilities will be closed on Monday, January 20th, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

#### 14. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Chris Matthews: Commissioner Matthews thanked all the departments for their hard work during 2024.

**Commissioner Monta Davis-Oliver:** Commissioner Davis-Oliver also thanked Town staff, and noted she enjoyed all the holiday festivities.

**Commissioner Richie Parker:** Commissioner Parker inquired if the Town uses the same billing software as Forsyth County, which was breached today.

# 15. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Commissioner Monta Davis-Oliver moved the meeting adjourned. Commissioner Chris Matthews seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:26 p.m. Vote: 4/0

Eddie T. Norman, Mayor

Alex Potts, Town Clerk