



## TOWN OF MOUNT GILEAD BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

110 West Allenton Street, Mount Gilead, North Carolina, 27306  
April 3, 2018

The Mount Gilead Board of Commissioners met at 7:00 p.m. at Mt. Gilead Fire Department, 106 E. Allenton Street, Mt. Gilead, and N C for a regular monthly business meeting.

Board members present: Mayor Joseph (Chip) Miller, Jr., Tim McAuley, Mayor Pro Tem, Vera Richardson, Paula Covington and Mitch Taylor, Commissioners.

Staff present: Town Manager Matthew Christian, Town Clerk Amy Roberts, Public Works Director Daniel Medley and Police Chief Pat Preslar.

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Miller  
MOMENT OF SILENCE  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### ITEM I. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

Mayor Miller called for a motion to adopt the April 3 Agenda. Tim McAuley made a motion with a second from Vera Richardson. Agenda was adopted.

### ITEM II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Miller called upon the Board for discussion or questions about the March 6, 2018 minutes. No discussion. Vera Richardson made a motion with a second from Tim McAuley to approve the minutes as is. Motion carried.

Mayor Miller called upon the Board for discussion or questions about the March 24, 2018 minutes. No discussion. Paula Covington made a motion with a second from Mitch Taylor to approve the minutes as is. Motion carried.

### ITEM III. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ms. Stephanie Ross spoke about a car show that the Mt. Gilead Antique Mall was hosting on April 14 in the downtown area in an effort to raise money to save the Mt. Gilead water tower. She named all of the businesses that gave donations and thanked the Board for the opportunity to raise money for this cause. She asked if any of the Board members would want to be a judge at the car show.

ITEM IV. PUBLIC HEARING:

- A. Development Moratorium on Solar Farms – Mitch Taylor made a motion to carry out the Moratorium with a second from Tim McAuley. Mayor Miller asked if there was any public comment on this Moratorium. Mitchell Lucas asked to speak briefly. He wanted to let the Board know that he supports this Moratorium and hopes that in the future, the Town and the Board will consider locations not directly in the public's view so that the Town will not have this eyesore to look at. Paula Covington made a motion to close the Public Hearing with a second from Tim McAuley.

ITEM V. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Water Tower Demolition

Mayor Miller asked the commissioners if they had any discussion on this topic. No one had any discussion so no action was taken.

B. Conditional Use Permit – Gilead Farm LLC Solar Farm

Paula made a motion to approve the Conditional Use Permit with a second from Mitch Taylor. Motion was carried with a tree line buffer suggested by Mayor Miller.

ITEM VI. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Legal Services

Matt Christian, Town Manager spoke about the needed for added legal services. Matt has been in contact with the Town Attorney, who agreed that a legal firm with an expertise in this field would be very beneficial for the Town. Mitch Taylor made a motion to approve the added legal service with a second from Tim McAuley. Motion carried.

B. Budget Calendar Discussion

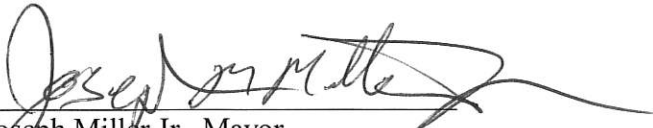
Matt Christian, Town Manager, asked the Board to set a date and add a Budget Discussion workshop/meeting to the calendar. The Board decided to meet on Tuesday, May 15 at 7 pm for this Budget Discussion.

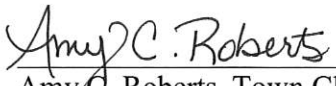
ITEM VII. STAFF REPORTS: Attached to Agenda Packets

ITEM VIII. COMMISSIONER REPORTS:  
There were no Commissioner Reports

ITEM IX. CLOSED SESSION:  
There was no closed session.

ITEM X. ADJOURNMENT  
Tim McAuley made the motion to adjourn with a second from Paula Covington. Motion carried.

  
Joseph Miller Jr., Mayor

  
Amy C. Roberts, Town Clerk