



# TOWN OF MOUNT GILEAD BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Meeting Minutes

110 West Allenton Street, Mount Gilead, North Carolina, 27306  
April 2, 2019

The Mount Gilead Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 7 p.m. at Mt. Gilead Fire Department for their regular monthly meeting. Present were Mayor Chip Miller, Mayor Pro Tem Tim McAuley, Commissioners Vera Richardson, Mitch Taylor and Paula Covington, Town Manager Matthew Christian and Clerk Amy Roberts.

CALL TO ORDER  
MOMENT OF SILENCE  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ITEM I. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Miller asked the Board to please change the order of New Business on the agenda to accommodate LKC Engineering who was currently presenting last. He requested they be moved up on the agenda to present first since they had a ways to travel back home. Mayor Pro Temp Tim McAuley made a motion to adopt the agenda with the requested change of order. Vera Richardson seconded the motion. Agenda was adopted unanimously.

ITEM II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. March 5, 2019 – Vera Richardson made a motion to approve the March 5, 2019 minutes. Mitch Taylor seconded the motion. Minutes were unanimously approved.  
B. March 22 & 23, 2019 – Mitch Tylor made a motion to approve the March 22 & 23, 2019 Budget Retreat minutes. Paula Covington seconded the motion. Minutes were unanimously approved.

ITEM III. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Matt Christian introduced Ms. Lee Ann Haithcock to the Board. Lee Ann is the new Administrative Assistant for the Town and will be working strongly with Customer Service and Utilities along with assisting with special projects for the Town Manager and Clerk. Lee Ann's hire date was March 11, 2019.

ITEM IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Patricia Lilly – 3131 Pleasant Valley Rd. – Ms. Lilly commented that she would like to see the Board consider rezoning some areas around the town to allow for some nicer single wide and double wide trailers. She explained that a lot of people in the rural areas of town could benefit from being able to place a nice, mobile home on some of these properties. Matt explained that this may be a good topic for the Planning/Zoning Board to hear. Mayor Miller asked Matt to research the Zoning Ordinances concerning the placement of mobile homes in town.

Ms. Lilly also asked the Board if they would consider adding a Clean-up day for neighborhoods. For example, get groups together on each street to be responsible for keeping their streets cleaned up. She explained that some of these areas are really looking bad, such as Williams Street and areas on Pleasant Valley Rd.

Ms. Lilly would like a speed bump placed at the bottom of the hill on Pleasant Valley Rd.

Mr. Chuck Routh, owner of Cotton & Wood Bespoke Goods on Main Street spoke about the ongoing issue with speeding on Main Street. He updated the Board and said that he had spoken with our local NCDOT Representative, Mr. Matt Kitchen, about options to help control the speeding. He explained that NCDOT did not think that having a “Rest on Red” option for the traffic light on Main Street was a good idea. He says that in their research in areas where this has been implemented, drivers tend to run the light anticipating that it is going turn green which in turn caused several accidents.

ITEM V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Main Street Traffic - Matt introduced Mr. Matt Kitchen with NCDOT to speak a little bit about some options for our ongoing traffic issues on Main Street. Mr. Kitchen spoke about a 4-way stop at the intersection of Ingram and Main as a viable option to slow down traffic coming through town. He also mentioned re-routing large trucks around town to avoid having them coming down Main Street. He said that some towns had made a round-a-bout at intersections, which also would deter large trucks from coming through the center of town. One option that he said some towns had implemented was the use of permanent speed monitors placed on the sides of the road that help keep drivers alert and more aware of their speed. He mentioned that maybe even considering changing the speed limit should be considered. Right now the speed through town is currently 20 mph and the Mayor stated that even making a conscious effort it was very hard to do 20 mph. Mr. Kitchen stated that NCDOT was willing to work with the Town any way they could to help control this issue.

ITEM VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. CWSRF Award - Mr. Adam Kiker with LKC Engineering gave an overview of the Bid proposals that were submitted to the Town and asked the Board to consider a resolution to accept the lowest bidder, Dellinger, Inc., for the rehabilitation of the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Mitch Taylor made a motion to accept the lowest bidder, Dellinger, Inc. The motion was seconded by Tim McAuley. Lowest bidder was accepted unanimously.

B. Budget Amendments – Matt presented two Budget Amendments to the Board. BA 2019-0402-01 to reallocate funds to cover the sidewalk repair on North Main Street at the section in front of Dr. Johnny McKinnon’s office leading up to Pleasant Valley Road and BA 2019-0402-02 to reallocated money to cover Water Purchases through the end of the fiscal year. Vera Richardson made a motion to adopt both budget amendments. The motion was seconded by Tim McAuley. Budget Amendments were adopted unanimously.

C. ABC Resolution – Matt presented a Resolution opposing the Privatization of Liquor Sales. The Resolution states the Town of Mount Gilead supports “keeping the control system for the sale of liquor in place and believe that privatization of liquor will lead to many adverse effects”. After discussion, Mitch Taylor made a motion to adopt the



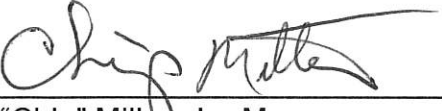
Resolution opposing the Privatization of Liquor Sales. Tim McAuley seconded the motion. The Resolution was adopted unanimously.

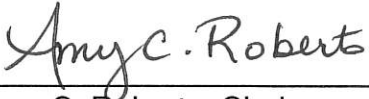
ITEM VII. STAFF REPORTS – Attached to Agenda Packet

ITEM VIII. COMMISSIONER REPORTS – Tim McAuley thanked the Town Administrative Staff for presenting an excellent Board Retreat. He says the presentation was laid out well, the atmosphere was good and the meal was wonderful.  
The Civitan Club will be meeting on Thursday, April 4 to give an overview of upcoming events going on in town.  
The Board scheduled the next Budget Work Session for Tuesday, April 16 at 6 p.m. at Highland Community Center. This meeting will be posted on the Bulletin Board at Town Hall and on the website.

ITEM IV. CLOSED SESSION – None

ITEM V. ADJOURNMENT  
With no more business, Commissioner Tim McAuley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Vera Richardson seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned.

  
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Joseph "Chip" Miller Jr., Mayor

  
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Amy C. Roberts, Clerk