



TOWN OF MOUNT GILEAD BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Meeting Minutes

110 West Allenton Street, Mount Gilead, North Carolina, 27306
January 5, 2021

The Mount Gilead Board of Commissioners met remotely at 7:00 p.m. for the regular monthly business meeting. Information on how to attend the meeting was posted on the town webpage and the Town bulletin board outside of Town Hall.

Present for the Zoom meeting were: Mayor Chip Miller, Mayor Pro Tem Tim McAuley, Commissioners Paula Covington, Mary Lucas and Vera Richardson, Town Manager Hiram Marziano, Town Clerk Amy Roberts, Police Chief Pat Preslar, Fire Chief Keith Byrd, and Public Works Director Daniel Medley.

ITEM I. INTRODUCTION & ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mayor Miller welcomed everyone to the Zoom meeting at 7:04 p.m. Commissioner Covington made a motion to adopt the agenda. Mayor Pro Tem McAuley seconded the motion. Agenda was unanimously adopted.

ITEM II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. December 1, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Richardson made a motion to adopt the minutes as is. Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. Minutes were unanimously adopted.

ITEM III. OLD BUSINESS

None

ITEM IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. COVID Related Town Hall Operations Discussion

Town Manager Hiram Marziano presented a memo to the Board with ideas and possible solutions to the concerns of the rising number of cases of COVID in Montgomery County and across the State of North Carolina. The issue is whether to re-open Town Hall, which is currently closed to the public. The memo gave several options and ways to safely re-open and/or remain closed. After much discussion, the Board decided to re-open Town Hall to the public on Tuesday, January 19. All employees will be required to take their temperature upon arrival to work for the day, sanitize all workstations at least once per day, not congregate or gather during breaks or share lunch space together. There will only be one person allowed in the lobby at any given time. Police officers and Public Works employees are to limit entering residents' homes unless necessary and a face mask is required at all times from all employees during working hours with the Town of Mount Gilead. The Town Manager agreed to type up a policy and meet with each department to ensure guidelines are being followed.

- ITEM V. STAFF REPORTS
Monthly staff reports were presented by Town Manager Hiram Marziano, Public Works Director Daniel Medley, Fire Chief Keith Byrd, and Police Chief Pat Preslar and were attached to the Board packets.
- ITEM VI. COMMISSIONER REPORTS
Commissioner Covington asked about the progress of the Welcome Packet that was created to give to new customers/residents in the Town. Lessie Jackson, Enterprise Manager stated that she had not actually given it out to any customers yet as she was waiting on the Mayor to give his approval on the section dedicated to him. The Mayor apologized and said he didn't realize he had not answered his email concerning this. He promised to proofread it and let Lessie know asap.
- ITEM VII. PUBLIC COMMENT
None
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With no more Board business, Commissioner Richardson made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a second from Commissioner Covington. Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Joseph M. "Chip" Miller, Jr., Mayor

Amy C. Roberts, NCCMC, Town Clerk