



TOWN OF MOUNT GILEAD BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

110 West Allenton Street, Mount Gilead, North Carolina, 27306
April 22 & 23, 2022

The Mount Gilead Board of Commissioners met at 5:30 p.m. at the Mount Gilead Town Hall, 116 E. Allenton St., Mt. Gilead, NC on April 22, 2022, for special tour of all Town facilities. Present were Mayor Beverly Harris, Mayor Pro Tem Tim McAuley, Commissioners Paula Covington, Vera Richardson and Mary Lucas, Town Manager David Smith, Town Clerk Amy Roberts, Public Works Director Daniel Medley, and Fire Chief Keith Byrd.

Friday, April 22, 2022

The Board started their tour at the Mt. Gilead Library where Public Works Director Daniel Medley spoke of the much-needed upgrades to the building and the grounds of the facility. Next, Medley took the Board to the Public Works building and showed them upgraded needs to that facility. From there, Town Manager Smith spoke to the Board about the necessity to upgrade and resurface the sidewalk in front of Town Hall and install new ADA compliant front doors on the Town Hall building. This is a requirement of any municipality that has funds from the USDA. A USDA safety inspection revealed these findings. The Board also toured the park, pool, Wastewater Treatment Plant, Police Department and Fire Department and heard from each Department Head about their upcoming fiscal year budget needs and wants.

Saturday, April 23, 2022

The Mount Gilead Board of Commissioners met at 5:30 p.m. at the Highland Community Center, 131 Hoffman Drive, Mt. Gilead, NC on April 23, 2022, for a Budget Workshop and meeting. Present were Mayor Beverly Harris, Mayor Pro Tem Tim McAuley, Commissioners Paula Covington, Vera Richardson and Mary Lucas, Town Manager David Smith and Town Clerk Amy Roberts,

Mayor Harris called the Budget Discussion workshop to order at 9:00 am with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM I. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem McAuley made a motion to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. Agenda was unanimously adopted.

ITEM II. BUDGET WORKSHOP

A, Budget Discussion

Town Manager presented a balanced first draft of the 22-23 fiscal year budget. He stated that he felt like he was presenting a budget that was very aggressive but represented and highlighted every discussion with department heads and facility that was toured from the previous night. He felt like this year's budget needed to reflect a budget that was about retaining current employees more than recruitment and adjusting salaries for cost of living that reflect today's economy. After a complete first draft discussion of the budget by department Town Manager Smith stated that he will take any considerations of the Board and present any changes at the next discussion.

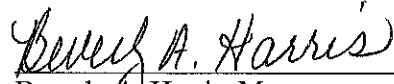
B. 2022-2023 Fee Schedule

Town Manager Smith presented the 2022-2023 proposed fee schedule that reflected increased sewer rates for the upcoming year beginning on July 1 for in town commercial and industrial as well as out of town commercial and industrial. It also increased the late fee for all utility customers from \$10 to \$15 and connection fees for all new utility customers from \$90 to \$100. Zoning Permits and Sign Permits will also increase from \$35 to \$40.


Commissioner Covington made a motion to adopt the 2022-2023 Fee Schedule as presented effective July 1, 2022. Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM III. PUBLIC COMMENT
None

ITEM IV. ADJOURNMENT
With no more Board business, Commissioner Covington made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. Meeting was unanimously adjourned at 11:35 a.m.



Beverly A. Harris, Mayor



Amy C. Roberts, CMC, NCCMC