

TOWN OF MOUNT GILEAD BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

110 West Allenton Street, Mount Gilead, North Carolina, 27306

June 7, 2022

The Mount Gilead Board of Commissioners met at 7:00 p.m. at the Mount Gilead Fire Station, 106 E. Allenton St., Mt. Gilead, NC on Tuesday, June 7, 2022, for the regular monthly business meeting. Present for the meeting were: Mayor Beverly Harris, Mayor Pro Tem Tim McAuley, Commissioners Paula Covington, Vera Richardson, Mary Lucas, Town Manager David Smith, Clerk Amy Roberts, Police Chief Pat Preslar, Public Works Director Daniel Medley and Fire Chief Keith Byrd.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Harris called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM I. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Commissioner Richardson made a motion to adopt the agenda with the addition of adding CLOSED Session (Business Owner/ Property Discussion). Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. Agenda was unanimously adopted.

ITEM II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. May 3, 2022 – Regular Meeting Minutes
Commissioner Lucas made a motion to approve the May 3, 2022, Regular Meeting
Minutes. Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. Minutes were unanimously approved.

ITEM III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Patricia Lilly – Pleasant Valley Church Rd. – Ms. Lilly spoke to the Board about following through with proposed grants from the Piedmont Triad Regional Council. She claims that the grants are fraudulent are not true to their word. She thinks the Town should help people follow through in receiving these community grants.

ITEM IV. OLD BUSINESS

None

ITEM V. NEW BUSINESS

A. PUBLIC HEARING FOR ZONING AMENDMENTS

Town Manager David Smith presented information about zoning amendment proposals to make changes to Article 4.5 Table of Permitted uses in the commercial use and residential use section. This would allow the Town to make vital decisions about zoning of commercial property as well as allow mixed use of industrial and residential in the downtown area. ** A full copy of the amended changes is on file in the Clerk's office and available for public viewing.

B. PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2022-2023 FY BUDGET

- i. Presentation Town Manager Smith presented a budget message summary based on past budget discussions and full draft layout of the proposed budget. He stressed that the budget is very "bare bones", keeping the tax rate the same and this budget was put in place with a focus on employees and facilities as well as ways to utilize ARPA funds coming in over the next year.
- ii. Public Comment There was no public comment on the budget.

ITEM VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Community Appearance Board

Ms. Susie Routh, Chairman of the CATb Committee gave a monthly report stating that they are working with GreenThumb Nursery on a landscape plan for the new Town entrances as well as working with Debbie Museka with the NC Partnership for Children

ITEM VII. STAFF REPORTS

Staff Reports were given by Police Chief Pat Preslar, Town Manager David Smith, Public Works Manager Daniel Medley, and Fire Chief Keith Byrd. A written report was attached to the Board Packet by Code Enforcement Officer Brandon Emory.

ITEM VIII. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Covington stated that Friends in Focus will be hosting their annual Gala and this year's honorees are Mr. and Mrs. Harold Robinson. It will be at the Garner Center in Troy and tickets are available through any Highland Board member.

ITEM IX. CLOSED SESSION – REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

Commissioner Richardson made a motion to exit open session and enter closed session to discuss the donation of some property on Cotton Gin Drive. Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

After the discussion, Commissioner Lucas made a motion to return to open session. Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM IX. ADJOURNMENT

With no more Board business, Commissioner Richardson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem McAuley seconded the motion. Meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Beverly A Harris, Mayor

Amy C. Roberts, CMC, NCCMC