

TOWN OF MOUNT GILEAD BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

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

June 28, 2022

The Mount Gilead Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, June 28, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Mount Gilead Fire Station, 106 E. Allenton St., Mt. Gilead, NC for the approved July monthly business meeting. Present for the meeting were Mayor Beverly Harris, Mayor Pro Tem Tim McAuley, Commissioners Mary Lucas and Vera Richardson, Town Manager David Smith, Town Clerk Amy Roberts, Police Chief Pat Preslar and Public Works Director Daniel Medley. Absent: Fire Chief Keith Byrd

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Harris called the Meeting to order at 7:01 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 as is. Commissioner Lucas seconded the motion. Agenda was unanimously adopted.

ITEM II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. June 7, 2022 – Regular Meeting Minutes Commissioner Lucas made a motion to approve the June 7, 2022, minutes. Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. Minutes were unanimously approved.

ITEM III. PUBLIC COMMENT - None ITEM IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Presentation and Adoption of FY 22-23 Budget Ordinance

Town Manager David Smith presented the Budget Message and Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 and stated that this was a very aggressive and balanced budget that focused on the employees. The tax rate did not change for this fiscal year and maintained operation expenses that will continue to service the citizens at the current levels. Commissioner Richardson made a motion to adopt the FY 2022-2023 Budget as presented. Mayor Pro Tem McAuley seconded the motion. The Budget was unanimously adopted.

B. AIA Water and Wastewater Resolutions

Town Manager Smith presented two resolutions that are required as part of the acceptance of the AIA Water and Wastewater grants that have been awarded to the Town. Commissioner Richardson made amotion to adopt both resolutions. Mayor Pro Tem McAuley seconded the motion. Resolutions were unanimously adopted.

C. ARPA Sewer System Funding Resolution

Town Manager Smith presented a resolution for the offer and acceptance of ARPA Funding offered from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund in the amount of \$3,500,000. Commissioner Lucas made a motion to adopt this resolution. Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. Resolution was unanimously adopted.

ITEM V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Land Exchange Agreement for Dollar General
 Town Manager Smith presented a Land Exchange Agreement between Jimmy and Marie
 Bowles, Mt. Gilead DG, LLC, and the Town of Mount Gilead. Bowles has agreed to sell
 their property at South Wadesboro Blvd to Dollar General (Mt. Gilead DG, LLC). Once
 the land is purchased by DG and completes its development of the property, DG will deed
 the remaining undeveloped property to the Town of Mount Gilead in an Exchange
 Agreement. Commissioner Richardson made a motion to accept this Land Exchange
 Agreement. Mayor Pro Tem McAuley seconded the motion. The agreement was
 unanimously approved.
- B. Adoption of new Holiday Schedule to include Juneteenth (June 19)

 A new Town employee paid holiday was presented to the Board that would include all State Holidays as well as the addition of the Juneteenth holiday (officially June 19) which will be observed annually on June 19th or the next following business day. Town Hall offices will be closed on this day and the holiday will officially be added to the personnel policy as a paid holiday for all full-time employees of the Town. Mayor Pro Tem McAuley made a motion to adopt this new Holiday schedule. Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously carried.
- C. Budget Amendment BA22-0628-01 was presented to increase a revenue line item and expense line item to accept donations of funds received for Park Program snacks and concessions after the Town had received multiple large donations. Mayor Pro Tem McAuley made a motion to adopt this budget amendment. Commissioner Lucas seconded the motion. BA22-0628-01 was unanimously approved.
- D. Declaration of Surplus Property

 Town Manager Smith presented a list of several "junk" abandoned police vehicles that are sitting at our Wastewater Treatment Plant that need to be declared surplus by the Board to start the process of selling these. Once approved, advertisements for open bidding will begin on these vehicles. Commissioner Lucas made a motion to approve the Declaration of Surplus Property. Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Community Appearance Board
Town Manager Smith discussed that the CATb Board has been busy discussing
landscaping of all Town entryway signs as well as working with the Partnership for

Children to get a Story Walk project in place throughout the town.

ITEM VII. STAFF REPORTS

Staff reports were presented by Public Works Director Daniel Medley, Police Chief Pat Preslar and Town Manager David Smith and were attached to the Board packets. A copy of these reports is on file in the Clerk's office and are available for public viewing.

ITEM VIII. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Mayor Pro Tem McAuley thanked the Fire Department for their professional handling of a controlled burn as part of training for new firefighters at a residence on Emmaline Street.

ITEM IX. ADJOURNMENT

With no more Board business Commissioner Richardson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. Meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Beverly A. Harris, Mayor

Amy C. Roberts, CMC, NCCMC