



**TOWN OF MOUNT GILEAD
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

**110 West Allenton Street, Mount Gilead, North Carolina, 27306
July 2, 2024**

The Mount Gilead Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, July 2, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Highland Community Center, 131 Hoffman Rd, Mt Gilead, NC, for the regular monthly business meeting. Present: Mayor Sheldon P. Morley, Mayor Pro Tem Tim McAuley(Zoom), Commissioner Paula Covington, Commissioner Vera Richardson, Commissioner Mary Lucas, Town Manager Dylan Haman, Public Works Director Daniel Medley, Police Chief Talmedge LeGrand, Fire Chief Keith Byrd and Town Clerk Lessie D. Jackson.

ITEM I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Sheldon P. Morley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM II. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Adoption of the Agenda
- B. Adoption of June 4, 2024 meeting minutes
- C. Staff Reports
- D. Powell Bill Update McGill

-Mayor Morley asked for a motion to adopt the consent agenda with an amendment to discuss CDBG-I funding during new business, Commissioner Richardson made the motion to amend the consent agenda to discuss CDBG-I funding during new business, Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. The motion carried. (3-0)

ITEM III. PUBLIC COMMENT

*Bruce Genth-205 W. Scarboro St.-Came before the Board to ask a question about the new road that will be install over by Dollar General.

ITEM IV. MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITIES

(Mike Criscoe)

*Mike Criscoe came before the Board to give in-depth details about the drinking water report. Mike Criscoe explained the report, there was only one violation on the report, and that violation was due to one-time simple that he did not submit. Mike Criscoe went on to explain how the town had met each criteria in the report, and that the town water is always has the best test results. The missed simple was his mistake, and at no time was the water ever compromised.

ITEM V. SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT BY TOWN MANAGER DYLAN HAMAN

*Town Manager Dylan Haman presented Public Works Director Daniel Medley, and Public Works Department with a plaque for the amazing work completing the repairs quickly on the water main break on W. Ingram St.

ITEM VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Competitive Pay Resolution

*Town Manager Dylan Haman went over the competitive pay resolution again with the updates he has added to the plan. Mayor Morley asked for a motion to approve the Competitive Pay Resolution. Commissioner Covington made a motion to approve the Competitive Pay Resolution, Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. The motion carried. (3-0)

ITEM VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Rural Downtown Economic Development Grant
- B. StRAP Grant Award
- C. House Bill 909
- D. How does our Emergency Notification System Work?

**Town Manager Dylan Haman gave updates on the items A-D listed above to the Board.

E. CDBG-I Funding

*Town Manager Dylan Haman also discussed the CDBG-I agreement to get direction from the Board on how to handle the funding moving forward. Mayor Morley asked for a motion to approve the CDBG-I agreement. Commissioner Lucas made the motion to approve the CDBG-I agreement, Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. The motion carried. (3-0)

ITEM VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Community Garden

*Mary Poplin came before the Board and stated that they have been busy with the moon tree maintenance, weeding and planting a ton of basil rescued from downtown. A big shout-out to Patricia Rose for donating solar lights to the garden. Mary Poplin promoted the Community Garden merchandise.

ITEM IX. MANAGER REPORT

*Town Manager Dylan Haman stated that a lot of his report already been discussed, but he would like to point out a picture of the water main break on W. Ingram St.

*Town Manager Dylan Haman also shared about his recent trip to the North Carolina City and County Managers Association Summer Seminar. The session Town Manager Dylan Haman attended are social media and the first amendment, water sewer and stormwater, and community-led affordable housing development. Town Manager Dylan Haman thanked the Board for allowing him to attend those important and educational conferences.

*Town Manager Dylan Haman informed the Board that installation has happened to 6 of the 12 Verizon fleet management devices.

ITEM X. MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS REPORT

*Mayor Morley shared that he attended the most recent session of the rural community capacity program, and he learned a lot about tourism and bringing tourism dollars as well as continuing education on business incubator ideas.

*Commissioner Covington inquired about changing the date of the August 2024 meeting, due to a conflict with National Night Out. Town Manager Dylan Haman will send out an email with dates for the Board to choose a different date. Commissioner Covington thanked everyone who attended the events held by different organizations for the month of July 2024.

ITEM XI. ADJOURNMENT

*Mayor Morley asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Richardson made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. The motion carried. (3-0)

Sheldon Poplin, Mayor

Lessie D. Jackson, Town Clerk