



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

**110 West Allenton Street, Mount Gilead, North Carolina, 27306
August 1, 2024**

The Mount Gilead Board of Commissioners met on Thursday, August 1, 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, 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 Morley)**
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 July 2, 2024 meeting minutes
- C. Staff Reports
- D. Yellow Book Audit Engagement Letter Approval
- E. Event Insurance Quote

*****Mayor Morley asked for a motion to approve the proposed Consent Agenda. Commissioner Richardson made a motion to approve the proposed Consent Agenda, Commission Covington seconded the motion. The motion carried. (4-0)**

ITEM III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Reading of the Rules for Public Comment **(Town Manager Dylan Haman)**

*****Patsi Laracuate-305 Stanback St.-Sharing her concerns about the website not being update an about her public records request that she has spoken to the town manager in reference, but no response to the request. Another concern Mrs. Laracuate has is about Stanback Park, how the Town has received money for a pocket park, but will not make necessary repairs at Stanback Park.**

*****Tim Patterson-505 Pine St.-Tim Patterson came with concerns about the CDBG-I packet he received about infrastructure. Mr. Patterson just wanted to understand about the information in the packet. Then he had some concerns about issues that happened in Parkertown that he wanted to express to the police department.**

ITEM IV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Presentation from Trilogy Books **(Rebecca Neubauer)**

Rebecca Neubauer came before the Board to discuss her business called Trilogy Books. Mrs. Neubauer gave her new location at 110 N. Main St. Also gave the Board an update on why she decided to open her business in Mt. Gilead, and how she obtain inventory. Mrs. Neubauer also gave detail plans for the future, and how the business is growing.

ITEM V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Legislative Hearing — ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT** **(Action)**
*****Mayor Morley asked for a motion to go into a Legislative Hearing-Zoning Text Amendment. Commissioner Lucas made the motion to go into Legislative Hearing-Zoning Text Amendment, Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4-0**
*****Mayor Morley asked for a motion to come out of the Legislative Hearing-Zoning Text Amendment. Mayor Pro Tem Tim McAuley made a motion to come out of the Legislative**

Hearing-Zoning Text Amendment, Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4-0

- B. Short Term Rental and Parking Zoning Text Amendments (Action)**
Town manager Dylan Haman gave the Board a synopsis of what the meaning of the Short Term Rental and Parking Text Amendments would mean for the town. The Board had several questions for Town Manager Dylan Haman, which lead into a discussion to help the Board understand what is proposed. Mayor Morley asked for a motion to approve the proposed text amendment. Commissioner Richardson made a motion to approve the proposed text amendment, Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4-0
- C. Memory Lane Façade Grant Application (Action)**
Town Manager Dylan Haman went into a brief discussing explaining to the Board that Amy Johnson has requested the use of the Town Façade Grant Program to assist in painting the front of her building. The grant is a program established several years ago to assist with the cost of updating the façade of a building. Mayor Morley requested a motion on this item. Mayor Pro Tem McAuley made a motion to approve the proposed Façade Grant, Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4-0
- D. Sick Leave Policy Updates (Action)**
Town Manager Dylan Haman explain to the Board about the sick leave policy. In the old policy sick leave is 8 hours per month; it will be change to 4 hours of sick leave per pay period. Mayor Morley requested a motion on this item. Commissioner Covington made a motion to approve the proposed sick leave policy, Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4-0
- E. CWIT Support Agreement (Action)**
Town Manager Dylan Haman gave the Board a summary of the benefits of having CWIT cyber security. The Board and Town Manager Dylan Haman went into a brief discussion, and the Board asked Town Manager Dylan Haman to see if he could find a better offer for cyber security. Mayor Morley requested a motion to table cyber security to see if there is a better choice at the next Board Meeting. Commissioner Richardson made the motion to table the proposed cyber security agreement to give a little more time to check on other choices; Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4-0

ITEM VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

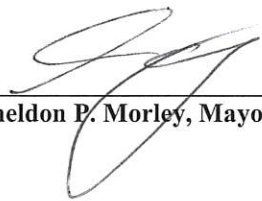
- A. Community Garden (Mary Poplin)**
Mary Poplin came before the Board and gave an update on the Community Garden.

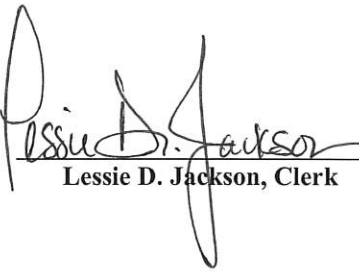
- ITEM VII. MANAGER REPORT (Information)**
Town Manager Dylan Haman briefed the Board on events that is happen around town in the month of August. Town Manager Dylan Haman also updated the Board on current projects that the employees of the town are working on, and on grants the town has received.

- ITEM VIII. MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS REPORT (Information)**
****Mayor Morley will be attending a grant writing class, and is the newest member of Montgomery County Partnership for Children.*

- ITEM IX. CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO § 143-318 (Action)**
****Mayor Morley requested a motion to go into closed session. Commissioner Richardson made a motion to go into closed session in pursuant to § 143-318 about a personnel issue, Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4-0 Time: 7:40 p.m.*
- ***Mayor Morley asked for a motion to come out of closed session. Commissioner Richardson made a motion to come out of closed session, Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4-0 Ended at 8:14 p.m.*

- ITEM X. ADJOURNMENT (Action)**
Mayor Morley requested a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Richardson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4-0 Time: 8:15 p.m.


Sheldon P. Morley, Mayor


Lessie D. Jackson, Clerk

