



TOWN OF MOUNT GILEAD
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES

110 West Allenton Street, Mount Gilead, North Carolina, 27306
December 3, 2024

The Mount Gilead Board of Commissioners will met on Tuesday, December 3, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Mount Gilead Fire Department, 106 East Allenton St, Mt Gilead, NC 27306, for the regular monthly business meeting. Present Mayor Sheldon P. Morley, Mayor Pro Tem Tim McAuley, Commissioner Paula Covington, Commissioner Mary Lucas, Commissioner Vera Richardson, Town Manager Dylan Haman, Police Chief Talmadge LeGrand, and Town Clerk Lessie D. Jackson.

ITEM I. CALL TO ORDER (Mayor Morley)
Mayor Pro Tem Tim McAuley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM II. CONSENT AGENDA (Action)
A. Adoption of the Agenda
B. Adoption of November 12, 2024 Meeting Minutes
C. Staff Reports
D. Lake Tillery Fire Department Contract to Provide Fire Service
E. WWTP Expansion Services
****Commissioner Covington made a motion to adopt the consent agenda. Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. The motion carried*

ITEM III. PUBLIC COMMENT (Town Manager Dylan Haman)
Reading of the Rules for Public Comment
-Mary Poplin-201 S. Main St.-Came before the Board to wish Dylan Haman a farewell and to say some of the characteristic she would like to see in the next town manager.

-Bruce Haywood-300 Clinton St.

-Jack Jordan-117 E. Allenton St.

-Rebecca Neubauer-711 Deberry Rd.

-Alane Brown-201 S. Wadesboro Blvd.

-Myra Poplin-118 N. Main St.

****Mr. Haywood, Mr. Jordan, Ms. Neubauer, Mrs. Brown, and Mrs. Poplin all came before the Board to bid Dylan Haman farewell, and to give their opinion on the benefits of having a social district in downtown.*

-Curtis E. Speakman-202 E. Allenton St.-To complain about the letter that was sent out about replacing of the service line due to the possible of lead being in the lines.

ITEM IV. OLD BUSINESS
None

ITEM V. NEW BUSINESS (Action)
A. Proposed Social District
***Town Manager Dylan Haman explain to the Board the proposed social district to the Board. The Board had several question about the proposed social district for downtown and for the Town Manager Dylan Haman about such social district, that discussion continued with the entire Board having an opinion. Mayor Poplin entertain a motion to approve the social district ordinance and maintenance plan. Commissioner Covington made a motion to table the agenda item until they could get a consensus of other citizens in the town about the proposed social district ordinance and maintenance plan. The item tabled until ads have been ran in the Montgomery Herald, The Speckled Paw, etc. Commissioner Lucas seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

ITEM VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Community Garden (Mary Poplin)
Mary Poplin gave an update on what is new going on at the community garden.

ITEM VII. MANAGER REPORT

Town Manager Dylan Haman gave an update on what is going on within the town, and with town employees. (Information)

ITEM VII. MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS REPORT

(Information)
-Commissioner Richardson said thanks to everyone who came out to support the Highland Community Center bake sale on November 23, 2024. Highland Annual Christmas Gala, which is December 14, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.
-Mayor Pro-Tem shared a story about a cleanup in the community that he and Town Manager Dylan Haman helped beautify the town.
-Commissioner Covington added that not only herself, and Mayor Poplin would be singing at the Highland Christmas Gala, but also Michael Williams.

ITEM IX. CLOSED SESSION pursuant to NC GS 143-33c to discuss Personnel

-Mayor Poplin asked for a motion to go into closed session. Commissioner Richardson made a motion to go into closed session in pursuant to NC GS 143-33c to discuss personnel. Mayor Pro Tem McAuley seconded the motion. The motion carried. Closed Session begin @ 8:00 p.m.


-Mayor Poplin asked for a motion to come out of closed session. Mayor Pro Tem McAuley made the motion to come out of closed session. Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ITEM X. ADJOURNMENT

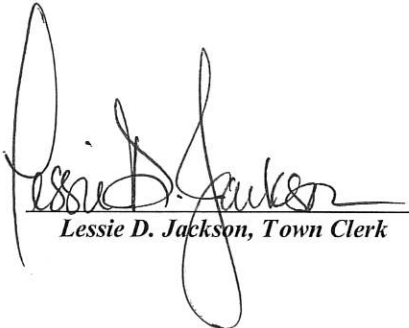
(Action)
-Mayor Poplin asked for a motion to approve the contract between the Town of Mt. Gilead and Michael Farris. Commissioner Richardson made the motion to approve the contract between the town of Mt. Gilead and Michael Farris. Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. The motion carried.

-Mayor Poplin asked for a motion to hold next time meeting on January 21, 2025 at Mt. Gilead Fire Department at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Covington made the motion to hold next town board meeting on January 21, 2025 at the Mt. Gilead Fire Department at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

-Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. The motion carried. @9:00 p.m.


Sheldon Poplin, Mayor




Lessie D. Jackson, Town Clerk