

TOWN OF MOUNT GILEAD BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

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

The Mount Gilead Board of Commissioners will met on Tuesday, October 1, 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 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. Absent- Mayor Sheldon P. Morley.

ITEM I. CALL TO ORDER

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 September 17, 2024 meeting minutes
- C. Staff Reports
- D. Albert Johnson Memorial Park Design LKC Engineering
- E. StRAP Grant Admin Agreement LKC Engineering

***Commissioner Covington made a motion to adopt the consent agenda and to amend the agenda, because we have a guest speaker Janet Gilman from the Antique Mall, and add to new business and update on personnel policy for discussion only. Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ITEM III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Reading of the Rules for Public Comment

(Town Manager Dylan Haman)

-Patsi Laracuente-305 Stanback St.-Came before the Board to share and unpleasant at one of the convenience stores in Mt. Gilead.

-John Hall-104 Cedar St.-Came before the Board to thank the town manager Dylan Haman for the town clean up, and want to share that he seen a drug deal happening at one of the convenience store. Mr. Hall also states that the town needs to support the fire department more.

ITEM IV. RECOGNITION OF TOWN EMPLOYEES

***Adams Lucas-Town Manager Dylan Haman and Police Chief Talmadge LeGrand went into details about what a great job Officer Lucas has been doing going above and beyond to make sure task are being completed and working as a team player during the shortage at the police department.

***LeeAnn Haithcock-Town Manager Dylan Haman gave honors to LeeAnn Haithcock on a wonderful job in extending herself to make sure audit went smoothly, and with less findings.

ITEM V. OLD BUSINESS

***Janet Gilman came before the Board to introduce herself, and to share her plans for the future of the Antique Mall.

ITEM VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Republic Services Contract Renewal

***Town Manager Dylan Haman went over BFI/Republic service new contract with the Board. Town Manager Dylan Haman explained the only change is a reduction in cost because the town is renewing the contract early. Mayor Pro Tem Tim McAuley asked for a motion to approve the proposed contract renewal with BFI/Republic Services of Troy. Commissioner

Richardson made the motion to approve the proposed contract renewal with BFI/Republic Service of Troy. Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. The motion carried.

B. WWTP Planning RFQ

***Town Manager Dylan Haman explain to the Board what the WWTP Planning RFQ consist of, and the benefits for the town. Mayor Pro Tem Tim McAuley requested a motion to approve the proposed WWTP Facilities Plan and PER RFQ. Commissioner Covington made a motion to approve the proposed WWTP Facilities Plan and PER RFQ. Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

C. Federal Reserve Rate Cut

***Town Manager Dylan Haman informed the Board of the decrease in the Federal Reserve interest rates. Town Manager Dylan Haman stated that the decrease would affect our overall investment by 10% each year.

D. Potential Electric Vehicle Charging Grants

***Town Manager Dylan Haman and the Board went into a brief discussion about the pros and cons of having the electric vehicle charging station.

E. Personnel Policy

***Town Manager Dylan Haman and the Board went into a brief discussion about the current personnel policy.

ITEM VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Community Garden

***Town Manager Dylan Haman gave the Board an update on the Community Garden.

ITEM VIII. MANAGER REPORT

***Town Manager Dylan Haman gave the Board and update on what projects staff is working on.

ITEM IX. MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS REPORT

-Mayor Pro Tem Tim McAuley gave and update on the events coming up at Highland Community Center.

-Commissioner Lucas asked everyone to come out and support the Fire Department BBQ on Saturday, October 5, 2024.

-Commissioner Covington gave kudos to the downtown merchant for end of summer bash!

ITEM X. ADJOURNMENT

(Action)

-Mayor Pro Tem Tim McAuley asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Richardson made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Sheldon Poplin, Mayor

Lessie D. Jackson, Town Clerk