

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF TARBORO, HELD AT 7:00 PM ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2023 IN
THE COUNCIL ROOM, TOWN HALL, TARBORO, NORTH CAROLINA**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Mayo
Councilman Woodard
Councilman Taylor
Councilman Burnette
Councilman Brown
Councilman Jenkins
Councilmember Jordan
Councilmember Bynum
Councilman Braxton

MEMBERS ABSENT

None.

ALSO PRESENT

Troy Lewis, Town Manager
Leslie Lunsford, Town Clerk
Chad Hinton, Town Attorney

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY THE MAYOR

2. INVOCATION

Councilman Taylor.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA BY COUNCIL

Agenda approved as presented.

John Jenkins made a motion, which was seconded by Alfred Braxton and Passed, Motion.

5. PRESENTATION BY COUNCIL

(1) Breast Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation

The Mayor proclaimed October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

(2) Domestic Violence Awareness Month Proclamation

The Mayor proclaimed October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and presented the proclamation to the Biker Girls Club.

The Biker Girls invited Councilmembers and citizens to attend the 4th Annual Domestic Violence Awareness Event on October 12, 2023 at 6:00pm at Courthouse Square, 311 Main Street.

(3) Medical Assistants Recognition Week Proclamation

The Mayor proclaimed October 16 - 20, 2023, and every third full week of October as Medical Assistants Recognition Week and presented the proclamation to a group of Medical Assistants.

6. REQUESTS AND PETITIONS OF CITIZENS

Larry Crossett, 601 Saint Patrick Street - expressed concerns about the parking lots on the 200 block of Main Street. He asked that the Town be more proactive in the downtown area, suggesting the Christmas lights remain up all year and landscaping projects take place in the area.

Naim Akbar, 1114 Martin Luther King Jr Drive - thanked Council and the Town for the participation in the Rural Opportunity Institute program, many young people were impacted through the program.

Liam Gilroy, 204 E Park Avenue - asked that Council consider offering a virtual option for citizens to be listen in on monthly Council meetings.

Steve Redhage, 900 Saint Andrew Street - thanked Council for the recent decisions made for the betterment of the downtown area, such as approving the social district and the vacant building ordinance.

Cutchin Anderson, 1415 E Canal Street - requested additional garbage receptacles at Braswell Park.

7. MATTERS SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Development Agreement Moye-Corp, LLC - This public hearing will be held to adopt a Development Agreement between the Town of Tarboro and Moye-Corp, LLC to redevelop the former Quigless Clinic into a residential development. The project location is adjacent to an area proposed for providing ADA access to Riverfront Park property which is necessary for the construction of a parking lot to serve the development and for use by the public providing public spaces for access to Town trails.

The Mayor declared the public hearing open. Liam Gilroy, Charles Ainsley, Trey Cherry and Stacy Moye spoke in favor of the Development Agreement between the Town of Tarboro and Moye-Corp, LLC. Bryan Mayo and Alex Urquhart spoke against the Development Agreement as presented. The Mayor declared the public hearing closed. Council discussed the agreement in detail.

Councilman Brown made a motion, which was seconded by Councilman Woodard and passed unanimously that Council call the question on the discussion.

Council approved the resolution authorizing a Development Agreement and the sale of the Town-owned property to the Moye-Corp, LLC.

Leo Taylor made a motion, which was seconded by Deborah Jordan and Passed, Motion. Ayes: Braxton, Brown, Burnette, Bynum, Jordan, Taylor, Woodard; Nays: Jenkins

8. TOWN MANAGERS RECOMMENDATIONS

Consent Items

Consent Items approved as presented.

Leo Taylor made a motion, which was seconded by Othar Woodard and Passed, Motion.

- (1) Approve minutes of the September 11, 2023 regular meeting.
- (2) Tax Collector's Report
- (3) 2019 Tax Levy Adjustment
- (4) 2020 Tax Levy Adjustment
- (5) 2021 Tax Levy Adjustment
- (6) 2022 Tax Levy Adjustment
- (7) 2023 Tax Levy Adjustment

Action Items

(8) NCEMPA - Amended Full Requirement Power Sales Agreement

Council adopted Ordinance 23-10 approving the amended and restated Full Requirement Power Sales Agreement between the Town of Tarboro and the North Carolina Eastern Municipal Power Agency and authorized appropriate staff and the Town Attorney to execute documentation necessary to implement the same.

Ordinance 23-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF
TARBORO, NORTH CAROLINA, DETERMINING THAT IT IS IN THE
BEST INTERESTS OF THE TOWN OF TARBORO TO APPROVE AND
AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF THE AMENDED AND
RESTATED FULL REQUIREMENT POWER SALES AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE TOWN OF TARBORO AND NORTH CAROLINA
EASTERN MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY

John Jenkins made a motion, which was seconded by Leo Taylor and Passed,
Motion. ; Absent: Braxton

(9) FY2023-2024 Budget Amendment - Re-appropriations from FY2023-2024

Council adopted the Re-appropriations from FY2023-2024 budget resolution.
John Jenkins made a motion, which was seconded by Othar Woodard and Passed,
Motion. ; Absent: Braxton

(10) Budget Amendment - Motorola Software Upgrade

Council approved the Motorola Software Upgrade budget amendment to allocate funds
for the TDMA software upgrade.
Deborah Jordan made a motion, which was seconded by Sabrina Bynum and Passed,
Motion. ; Absent: Braxton

(11) 2022 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant

Council authorized appropriate staff to execute the necessary documents to complete and carry out the grant 2022 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant. Council also approved the budget amendment.

Deborah Jordan made a motion, which was seconded by Sabrina Bynum and Passed, Motion. ; Absent: Braxton

(12) NCDOT - Christmas Parade

Council adopted Ordinance 23-11 declaring the closure of N. Main Street from Granville Street to Hope Lodge Street for the purpose of holding the 2023 Tarboro Christmas Parade.

Ordinance 23-11

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING A ROAD CLOSURE FOR A CHRISTMAS PARADE

John Jenkins made a motion, which was seconded by Clarence Brown and Passed, Motion. ; Absent: Braxton

(13) NCDOT - New Year's Eve Event

Council adopted Ordinance 23-12 declaring the closure of N. Main Street (NC 33) between St. James Street and Pitt Street, the 300 block of N. Main Street, and the 300 block of St. Andrew Street for the 2023 New Year's Eve Event.

Ordinance 23-12

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING A ROAD CLOSURE FOR A NEW YEAR'S EVE EVENT

Leo Taylor made a motion, which was seconded by Sabrina Bynum and Passed, Motion. ; Absent: Braxton

(14) Appointment for October - Downtown Grant Review Committee

Council appointed William Broadwater and Maggie Gregg to serve another term on the Downtown Grant Review Committee. There were no nominations for the third vacant seat, it will be on the November agenda.

Othar Woodard made a motion, which was seconded by John Jenkins and Passed, Motion. ; Absent: Braxton

(15) Appointment for October - Edgecombe County Tourism Development Authority

There were no nominations for the vacant seat on the Edgecombe County Tourism Development Authority, it will be on the November agenda.

(16) Appointment for October - Redevelopment Commission

Council appointed Morris Armstrong to serve another term on the Redevelopment Commission.

Sabrina Bynum made a motion, which was seconded by John Jenkins and Passed, Motion. ; Absent: Braxton

9. OTHER REPORTS

A. Town Manager

No report.

B. Town Attorney

No report.

C. Council Members

Councilman Woodard - thanked the Planning Department for the work on downtown activities.

Councilman Taylor - congratulated Dave Sharpe and the Chamber of Commerce on hosting the bike tour, heard a lot of positive compliments about the Town of Tarboro.

Councilman Burnette - stated that the Tarboro High School football game has been moved to Thursday, October 12, 2023 at 7:00pm.

Councilman Brown - stated that the bike tour and the Heart Walk went really well.

Councilman Jenkins - asked that Councilmembers review the information on portable speed bumps and be prepared to discuss at the November meeting.

Councilmember Jordan - thanked Councilmembers for the discussion during the public hearing. She also asked that Council make a donation to My Sister's House in honor of the Biker Girls Club.

Councilmember Bynum - questioned the utility bill layout and the possibility of mailing the bills in-house. She also asked about the shed at Braswell Park not having power, Troy said he would look into it.

Councilman Braxton - absent

10. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned.

Leo Taylor made a motion, which was seconded by Sabrina Bynum and Passed, Motion. ;

Absent: Braxton