

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF TARBORO, HELD AT 7:00 PM ON MONDAY, MAY 10, 2021 IN THE
COUNCIL ROOM, TOWN HALL, TARBORO, NORTH CAROLINA**

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

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 Sabrina Bynum and , Motion.

5. REQUESTS AND PETITIONS OF CITIZENS

David Barnes - 303 W Howard Avenue - complained about how he has been treated by a detective at the Tarboro Police Department.

Khaleel Sarah - Queen's Beauty, 2201 Saint Andrew Street - requested an update on window coverage. A public hearing will be held at the June meeting.

6. REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

(1) The Town Manager will present the Planning Board Report.

Troy Lewis, Town Manager, provided background information.

UDO Text Amendment Changes - 160D - #21-02

UDO Text Amendment - Short-Term Rental - #21-03

UDO Text Amendment - Signage

Council called for a public hearing.

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

7. TOWN MANAGERS RECOMMENDATIONS

Consent Items

Consent Items approved as presented.

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

- (1) Approve minutes of the April 12, 2021 regular meeting.
- (2) 2020 Tax Levy Memo
- (3) Tax Collector's Report
- (4) Budget Transfers

Action Items

(5) Award Contract - Auditing Services

Council awarded the audit contract for the fiscal year 2020-2021 to Flowers & Stanley, LLP at the proposal cost of \$27,500, with the understanding that contracts for future years may be subject to negotiation and require future Council approval.

John Jenkins made a motion, which was seconded by Deborah Jordan and Passed, Motion.

(6) Proposal for Legal Services - Redistricting

In order to prepare for redistricting of Ward boundaries, Council accepted the proposal from Tharrington Smith, LLP to provide legal services for the flat-rate fee of \$17,500.

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

(7) Minimum Housing - 514 Edmondson Avenue

Council adopted an ordinance giving the owner(s) thirty (30) days to comply with the Code Enforcement Officer's order. If the owner fails to comply with said order, the ordinance authorizes the officer to demolish and remove the dwelling located at 514 Edmondson Avenue. The cost of removal will be filed as a lien against the real property.

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

(8) Minimum Housing - 704 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive

Council adopted an ordinance giving the owner(s) thirty (30) days to comply with the Code Enforcement Officer's order. If the owner fails to comply with said order, the ordinance authorizes the officer to demolish and remove the dwelling located at 704 Martin Luther King Jr Drive. The cost of removal will be filed as a lien against the real property.

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

(9) Minimum Housing - 910 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive

Council adopted an ordinance giving the owner(s) thirty (30) days to comply with the Code Enforcement Officer's order. If the owner fails to comply with said order, the ordinance authorizes the officer to demolish and remove the dwelling located at 910 Martin Luther King Jr Drive. The cost of removal will be filed as a lien against the real property.

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

(10) Appointment for May - Tarboro-Edgecombe Airport Authority

No action taken.

(11) Appointment for May - Tarboro-Edgecombe Arts Commission

No action taken.

8. OTHER REPORTS

A. Town Manager

Troy Lewis congratulated the Tarboro High School Football team for winning the State Championship. A formal presentation will be held at the June Council meeting.

(1) Town Council Budget Work Sessions - May 17th & 18th

Town Council Budget Work Sessions will be held on Monday, May 17, 2021 and Tuesday, May 18, 2021 (if needed) at 6:00pm.

B. Town Attorney

None.

C. Council Members

Councilman Woodard - none.

Councilman Taylor - none.

Councilman Mayo - stated that he has been speaking with Marvin Tyson, son of deceased Estella Bell, in regards to her participation in the HOME program and the status of the property. The Town has tried to withdrawal from the program but is still involved at this time. Councilman Mayo also stated that he would no longer vote on matters that involved Anderson & Company due to a recent family marriage.

Councilmember Jordan - requested a meeting with the Police Chief, community leaders and

officials and citizens to discuss policing and to help strengthen relationships between Police and individuals. Dates have not been set at this time.

Councilman Jenkins - discussed concerns about mufflers on cars, trucks and motorcycles.

Councilmember Bynum - addressed concerns regarding speeding in her neighborhood.

Councilman Burnette - acknowledged the Tarboro High School Football teams recent State Championship win.

Councilman Brown - none.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned until Monday, May 17, 2021 at 6:00pm.

Clarence Brown made a motion, which was seconded by Othar Woodard and , Motion.

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