

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF TARBORO, HELD AT 7:00 PM ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 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 - Zoom
Councilman Mayo

MEMBERS ABSENT

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 Tate Mayo and Passed, Motion.

5. PRESENTATION BY COUNCIL

(1) Proclamation to Memorialize 9/11

Proclamation to Memorialize 9/11 was presented by Mayor Pitt.

Othar Woodard made a motion, which was seconded by Deborah Jordan and ,
Motion.

6. REQUESTS AND PETITIONS OF CITIZENS

None.

7. TOWN MANAGERS RECOMMENDATIONS

Consent Items

Consent Items approved as presented.

John Jenkins made a motion, which was seconded by Tate Mayo and Passed, Motion.

- (1) Approve minutes of the August 9, 2021 regular meeting.
- (2) 2021 Tax Levy Adjustment
- (3) Tax Collector's Report

Action Items

(4) InfinityLink Broadband Service

Council authorized the Town Manager to proceed negotiating with InfinityLink Communications on constructing a fiber-optic communications system in Tarboro using Town poles and right-of-ways.

Othar Woodard made a motion, which was seconded by Tate Mayo and Passed, Motion.

(5) Ward Redistricting Update and Information

Marshall Hurley PLLC presented Council with an update on the redistricting process and appropriate next steps to accomplish an accurate drawing of Ward boundaries before the filing deadline. Council requested that neighborhoods be preserved as much as possible and that Councilmembers stay in current Wards.

No action taken at this time.

(6) Resolution for Consideration of Annexation

Council approved the Resolution of Consideration for Annexation.

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

(7) Field of Honor Request - Tarboro Rotary Club

Council approved the Tarboro Rotary Club's request to install flags on the Town Common from November 4th-19th, 2021 and to allow staff to grant permission for each coming year depending on any conflicts with other events, for a Field of Honor display. John Jenkins made a motion, which was seconded by Tate Mayo and Passed, Motion.

(8) Special Event - Brewgrass Festival - Request for Co-Sponsorship

Council agreed to co-sponsor the Brewgrass Festival scheduled for November 7, 2021 from 12:00pm to 5:00pm by providing in-kind services and equipment.

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

(9) Re-appropriations from FY20-21 to FY21-22

Council adopted the re-appropriations budget resolution.

Deborah Jordan made a motion, which was seconded by Leo Taylor and Passed, Motion.

(10) Appointment for September - Historic District Commission

Council appointed Charles Taylor to fill the vacancy on the Historic District Commission.
Leo Taylor made a motion, which was seconded by Deborah Jordan and Passed, Motion.

(11) Appointment for September - Planning Board & Zoning Commission

No action taken at this time. Councilmember Jordan is currently trying to fill the vacancy.

(12) Appointment for September - Tarboro-Edgecombe Arts Commission

Council appointed Milton Farrar to fill a vacant seat on the Tarboro-Edgecombe Arts Commission.
Deborah Jordan made a motion, which was seconded by Othar Woodard and Passed, Motion.

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

No action taken at this time.

(14) Appointment for October - Parking Authority

No action taken at this time.

(15) Appointment for October - Redevelopment Commission

No action taken at this time.

(16) Appointment for October - Tarboro Main Street Façade Committee

No action taken at this time.

8. OTHER REPORTS

A. Town Manager

Troy Lewis invited Council to attend the flag raising ceremony on October 4, 2021 at 11:00am for former Mayor Moses Ray.

B. Town Attorney

None.

C. Council Members

Councilman Woodard - thanked staff for contacting InfinityLink for additional internet service. He also requested an update on the Austin Pines drainage project, within the current FY.

Councilman Taylor - requested a Pickle Ball court and asked about maintenance on power boxes.

Councilman Mayo - none.

Councilmember Jordan - addressed concerns about the old Adler's building on Main Street, staff will monitor and enforce soon.

Councilman Jenkins - none.

Councilmember Bynum - requested an update on the fitness room at the Ray Center, should be completed by the end of November.

Councilman Burnette - thanked the Electric Department for offering mutual aid to areas hit by the recent hurricane.

Councilman Brown - requested staff look into cost and design for a gazebo for the Town Commons and a speaker system in the downtown area to play music.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned.

Deborah Jordan made a motion, which was seconded by Tate Mayo and , Motion.