



REGULAR MINUTES
MAYODAN TOWN COUNCIL
August 9, 2021
6:00 p.m.
101 N. 10th Ave

MAYOR AND COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor James “Bud” Cardwell
Darrell Allred
Melanie Barnes
Doug Cardwell
Chad Wall
David Holland

STAFF PRESENT:

Town Attorney Eugene Russell
Town Manager Melessa Hopper
Town Clerk Sarah Hopper

The Mayodan Town Council met on Thursday, August 9, 2021, at 6:00 p.m., and with a quorum present, Mayor James Cardwell called the meeting to order.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No one from the public wished to speak.

Town Manager Melessa Hopper introduced new Finance Director Joanna Dalton. Current Finance director Hugh Hodges will be retiring August 31,2021.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Approval of Agenda and Regular Meeting Minutes of July 8 and 12, 2021.

Motion by Councilmember Wall, seconded by Councilmember Holland to approve the agenda meeting and regular meeting minutes of July 8 and 12, 2021as presented.

Ayes: Councilmembers Allred, Barnes, Cardwell, Holland, and Wall

Nays: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Update on Elliott Duncan Park Cameras – Chief Caruso

Chief Caruso stated that the company with the camera system is waiting for a part, and it hasn’t come in yet. He will give update once cameras are up and running.

B. Update on Farris Memorial Park Camping Project – Cesar Chavez

Park Superintendent Cesar Chavez stated that he is working with Rockingham County Environmental Health on permits needed for the camping project at Farris Memorial Park. Councilmember Wall stated that he had spoken to Edwin Stout about designing a septic system layout for the camping park.

C. Update on Mill Property State Required Testing/Assessment

Town Manager Melessa Hopper spoke to Jesse Day at Piedmont Triad Regional Council, and he reported that funds from the Brownfield Grant will be available for additional assessment testing required on the Mill property.

The cost is \$21,000.00 and this is a no-match fund. She also stated that Mr. Day has contacted Hart Hickman and advised them to start the additional testing at their earliest convenience.

D. Elliott Duncan Park Restroom Discussion

Town manager Melessa Hopper would like to get direction from Council on the aspects of the restrooms at Elliott Duncan Park. She is asking that decisions need to be made prior to going out for bid on construction. Mayor Cardwell appointed a sub-committee of Councilmembers Barnes, Holland, and Wall to meet in an advisory role to determine design aspects of the restroom facilities. Once the committee has a proposal on the construction it will be brought before all council to make the final decision.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Consideration of Game Room Application – Sky’s Electronics

The owner of Sky’s Electronics and gifts has applied for a permit to operate an arcade game room at S 2nd Avenue, Mayodan, NC. The owner Jonathan Montunez intends to have a game room with “old school” type arcade games, 1 pool table, juke box and various other video games. He will not have any computer terminal “gambling” or illegal table games will be installed. Mr. Montunez understands he must comply with all regulations in the game room ordinance and is willing to do so.

Motion by Councilmember Holland, seconded by Councilmember Wall to approve the game room application for Sky’s Electronics.

Ayes: Councilmembers Allred, Barnes, Cardwell, Holland, and Wall

Nays: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Consideration of Resolution Declaring Surplus Property – Police Department

The police department has two vehicles that can be deemed surplus and sold. The vehicles were purchased new in 2010. The vehicles have been removed from service due to mileage and needed repairs.

Motion by Councilmember Barnes, seconded by Councilmember Allred to approve resolution declaring surplus property.

Ayes: Councilmembers Allred, Barnes, Cardwell, Holland, and Wall

Nays: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

****A copy of the Resolution authorizing the disposition of Town property is hereby by reference made a part of these minutes and a copy is on file in the Town Clerk’s office for public viewing.

C. Consideration of Amendment to Ordinance- Chapter 18, Art. II, Sec.18-19

The council considered changes in Section 18-19 (Consumption or possession of malt beverages and unfortified wine on public property.) After discussion, Councilman David Holland **Motion** that this ordinance be amended to allow malt beverages and/or unfortified wine to be possessed and consumed during a special event without a limitation as to points of ingress and egress along Main Street between Third Avenue on the West and the eastern boundary of the Jr's 23 Sports Grill parking lot and along North Second Avenue from Main Street to the northern boundary of the Municipal Parking lot. This consumption and possession would be allowed only in an approved cup and upon resolution by the Town Council. The motion was **Seconded** by Councilwoman Melanie Barnes and approved by a vote of four to one with Councilman Doug Cardwell voting in the negative.

Ayes: Councilmembers Allred, Barnes, Holland, and Wall

Nays: Councilmembers Cardwell

Motion carried

MANAGER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

A. Duke Energy Park & Plug Program

Town manager Melessa Hopper related to town council that the Duke Energy Park and Plug program has been approved for the Town of Mayodan. Installation and setup would be at no cost to the Town. Manager Hopper also mentioned that there could be advertisements announcing to the public where the plug station would be

located. This agreement will be good through December 2026 and that time Duke Energy will transfer equipment and cost to the town if the town does not agree to accept, Duke Energy will remove plug station at no cost.

B. Financial Reports

Town Manager Melessa Hopper went over financial report for July 2021.

MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There were no comments

Motion by Councilmember Holland, seconded by Councilmember Barnes, to go into closed session in Pursuant NCGS 143-318.11(a)6, Personnel matters.

Ayes: Councilmember Allred, Barnes, Cardwell, Holland, and Wall

Nays: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

Council enters closed session at 7:01pm

Motion by Councilmember Wall, seconded by Councilmember Cardwell, to return to open session in Pursuant NCGS 143-318.11(a)6, Personnel matters.

Ayes: Councilmember Allred, Barnes, Cardwell, Holland, and Wall

Nays: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

Council enters closed session at 7:04pm

Motion by Councilmember Wall, seconded by Councilmember Cardwell to adjourn meeting.

Ayes: Councilmembers Allred, Barnes, Cardwell, Holland, and Wall

Nays: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:06. p.m.

ATTEST:

Sarah Hopper, Town Clerk

James Cardwell, Mayor