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The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Wade held a public hearing June 14, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. at the Wade Town Hall for the purpose of receiving public comment on the 2022-2023 budget.

Board Present

Mayor Joseph Dixon
Commissioner Jennifer Weaver
Commissioner Johnny Lanthorn
Commissioner Kevin Herring
Commissioner Johnny Sawyer
Commissioner George Strater

Visitors

Mr. Tim Middleton, Cumberland County Solid Waste
1 Wade Citizen

Mayor Dixon called the public hearing to order and opened with prayer.

Agenda Adoption

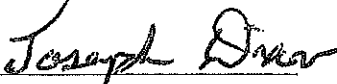
Mayor Dixon informed the Board that McLaurin's Heating & Air Conditioning had provided the Town with an estimate for the repair of the conference room air conditioning. Commissioner Lanthorn made a motion to add the estimate to the Agenda and to approve the Agenda as amended. Commissioner Strater seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

2022-2023 Budget

Board Members reviewed the Budget information. Mayor Dixon informed the Board that no one had signed up to speak for or against the proposed 2022-2023 budget. There were no comments from the Board.

Adjournment

Commissioner Lanthorn made a motion to adjourn the public hearing. Commissioner Sawyer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.


Joseph Dixon, Mayor


Cindy C. Burchett, Town Clerk

6/21/2022

The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Wade held a public hearing June 14, 2022 following the adjournment of the Budget Public Hearing for the purpose of receiving public comment on a Petition Requesting Annexation Pursuant to G.S. 160A-31.

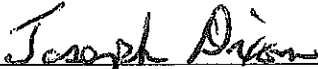
Mayor Dixon called the hearing to order.

Don & Donna Steele Annexation

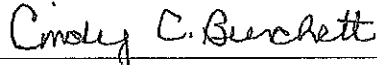
Board Members reviewed the Petition and information as presented to the Board by Don & Donna Steele for a Contiguous Annexation of property located along Main St. Mayor Dixon asked if there was anyone to speak for or against the Petition. There were no comments.

Adjournment

Commissioner Lanthorn made a motion to adjourn the public hearing. Commissioner Sawyer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.



Joseph Dixon, Mayor



Cindy C. Burchett, Town Clerk

06/21/2022

The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Wade met in regular session June 14, 2022 following the adjournment of the annexation public hearing.

Mayor Dixon called the regular session to order.

Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget Ordinance

Board Members reviewed the proposed 2022-2023 Budget Ordinance. There was no discussion. Commissioner Sawyer made a motion to adopt the 2022-2023 Budget Ordinance as presented. Commissioner Strater seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance To Extend the Corporate Limits of the Town of Wade, North Carolina

Board Members reviewed an Ordinance to Extend the Corporate Limits of the Town of Wade, North Carolina as petitioned under G.S. 106A-31. Commissioner Sawyer made a motion seconded by Commissioner Lanthorn to approve the Ordinance. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes

Commissioner Lanthorn made a motion seconded by Commissioner Herring to approve the Minutes of the May 10, 2022 regular session. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Reports

Board Members reviewed the financial reports and Commissioner Lanthorn made a motion to approve the Reports as presented. Commissioner Sawyer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Water Department

Board Members reviewed and discussed the May Water Report. Commissioner Lanthorn made a motion seconded by Commissioner Sawyer to approve the Report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Business Items

Speakers from the Floor

Mayor Dixon informed the Board that no one had signed up to address the Board under the Speakers from the Floor agenda item.

Cumberland County Solid Waste Cumberland Clean & 5 For Friday Anti-Litter Campaigns

Mayor Dixon turned the meeting over to Mr. Tim Middleton, Outreach Coordinator for Cumberland County Solid Waste. Mr. Middleton explained that the County had recently started Community Outreach Programs where groups of volunteers work on designated days to clean up neighborhoods. He explained that in April the Cumberland Clean program picked up a ton and a half of litter. Mr. Middleton informed the Board that the 5 for Friday Campaign asked that every Friday volunteers go out and pick up 5 pieces of trash which would amount to 2 ½ million pieces of trash every year. He explained that he

was visiting all the municipalities trying to see if they would like to take part in the campaigns. Mr. Middleton stated that it did not appear that the Town had a problem with litter. Town Clerk Cindy Burchett stated that the Town of Wade roadways were clean due to dedicated maintenance employees who picked up litter daily. Commissioner Strater stated that there was a problem with trash at the end of Clara St. Board Members also mentioned the problem of trash being located in areas of Covington Ln. and Snelling Dr. as well. There was a general discussion concerning these areas. Mr. Middleton informed the Board that he could send an investigator to look into the matter and see if the County could assist with clean-up of the areas. A general discussion was held regarding the role of the Cumberland County Sheriff's Office and NC DOT with offering assistance with illegal dumping and getting areas cleaned up. Mr. Middleton asked if the Board thought there would be interest in the Town partnering with the County for these campaigns. Mayor Dixon stated that previous litter sweep campaigns worked in conjunction with the Wade Community Watch. Town Clerk Cindy Burchett stated that the only organized groups in Town would be the area Churches and the Community Watch. Commissioner Strater suggested that perhaps the Community Watch could work with the local churches to promote the campaigns. A discussion was held regarding Mr. Middleton attending the June Community Watch meeting to bring the idea of partnering with the County to the group. Board Members thanked Mr. Middleton for his attendance and for his efforts.

Committee Reports

Beautification – Mayor Dixon stated that the maintenance employees did a great job and the Town and Park looked good for Founder's Day.

Park–Town Clerk Cindy Burchett informed the Board that work had started on the multi-purpose field; however, it appeared that they were waiting for the weather to change because there was going to be \$28,000 in sod used on the project. Commissioner Weaver asked if new nets could be installed on the soccer nets. Town Clerk Cindy Burchett stated that she would contact Parks & Recreation about the nets.

Streets – Mayor Dixon stated that the streets were in good condition and that the maintenance employees were working on spraying the streets in areas where grass was growing. Commissioner Lanthorn stated that Round Up would be coming off the market in 2023 and so consideration must be given as to what the Town would then use. Commissioner Lanthorn stated that he would do research regarding the matter to help determine what would be best.

General Fund Budget Amendment

Town Clerk Cindy Burchett explained that the Amendment was needed because of the two different grants that the Town had received. She informed the Board that the grants were shown as revenue in the General Fund and then as an expense as the funds were moved out of the General Fund and into their own individual account. Board Members reviewed the Amendment and Commissioner Sawyer made a motion to approve General Fund Budget Amendment 3-22. Commissioner Herring seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Amended Bylaws for Cumberland County Joint Planning Board

Town Clerk Cindy Burchett informed the Board that she had sent the amended bylaws to Mr. Neville to review and offer his opinion and his only concern was the difference in the wording of meeting and hearing. She explained that he clarified that the difference was

that a hearing required advertising and meeting did not and that if the Board felt that an issue required a hearing instead of meeting then they could request the change. Board Members discussed the Bylaws and Commissioner Lanthorn made a motion to approve the amended bylaws for the Cumberland County Joint Planning Board. Commissioner Herring seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

McLaurin's Heating & Air Estimate

Board Members reviewed an estimate for the replacement of the evaporator coil for the Conference Room air conditioning. Commissioner Lanthorn made a motion to approve the estimate from McLaurin's Heating & Air in the amount of \$2,156.05. Commissioner Herring seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Announcements

Mayor Dixon informed the Board that he would like to have an appreciation dinner for those involved in the organization and work for the Founder's Day event. Board Members agreed that the day turned out well and that everyone enjoyed the events of the day. Mayor Dixon stated that despite a few problems everything came together so that overall, the event was successful.

Commissioner Herring stated that he enjoyed Founder's Day and was pleased with the participation in the events.

Commissioner Lanthorn stated the he thought the event went well, but he was disappointed in the number of vendors and the overall actions of Mr. Bullard.

Commissioner Weaver stated that most vendors book events a year out and so the Town needed to start work now for Founder's Day 2023. She also stated that she was disappointed in the number of vendors and how Mr. Bullard handled the vendors and their set-up. She remarked that the application process of going through Mr. Bullard needed to be simplified.

Board Members held a general discussion concerning finding a replacement for Mr. Bullard for the vendor portion of the event. Town Clerk Cindy Burchett stated that having a turn-key event coordinator for Founder's Day would be a benefit to the Town. Board Members discussed ideas of how to better facilitate the event.

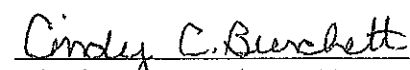
Adjournment

Commissioner Lanthorn made a motion seconded by Commissioner Herring to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.



Joseph Dixon, Mayor



Cindy C. Burchett, Town Clerk