

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF WALKERTOWN TOWN COUNCIL JULY 28, 2022 @ 7:00 P.M.: BOOE HOUSE

Mayor Doc Davis **called the meeting to order** at 7:00 p.m. Present were the Mayor, Council Members Vernon Brown, Wesley Hutchins, Marilyn Martin and Town Manager Scott Snow and Town Clerk Rusty Sawyer.

The Invocation was given by Mayor Davis. **The Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Vernon Brown.

Doc: Any additions to the agenda from council? NO

THE AGENDA WAS APPROVED AS WRITTEN BY MOTION MADE BY WESLEY HUTCHINS AND SECONDED BY MARILYN MARTIN. THE VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS. (BROWN, HUTCHINS, MARTIN)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• JUNE 23, 2022

THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY MOTION MADE BY MARILYN MARTIN AND SECONDED BY VERNON BROWN. (BROWN, HUTCHINS, MARTIN)

PUBLIC SESSION

THIS SESSION IS FOR NON-PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS ONLY AND IS LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER. WHEN SPEAKING TO ANY ITEM, PLEASE RESTRICT YOUR REMARKS TO THE SUBJECT AT HAND.

Mayor Davis opens the **Public Session** @ 7:03.

My name is Elizabeth Dull and I live at 3160 Williston Road. I have a complaint with the recycle service provided by Waste Management. This is not a complaint about Rusty Sawyer. He is always very helpful, respectful and kind. There is only so much he can do. Sometimes we go the whole week without recycle service. This past week they came on Saturday. There were very few carts still out. Can we change providers? Does the town get a refund?

Doc: I am going to let Rusty answer your questions.

Rusty: Waste Management is experiencing the same problems with their workforce that businesses across the nation are experiencing. There is a worker shortage. Drivers and their families get sick and have to quarantine. WM can't keep enough drivers healthy. They run 22 trucks a day. When they are short drivers it is the recycle trucks that go unmanned because most homeowners want trash pickup foremost.

WM did not notify the town hall they would service recycle on Saturday.

With no other speaker coming forward, the Mayor closes the **Public Session** @ 7:08.

BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:

1. NCDOT PROJECT UPDATES

Doc: 2 DOT engineers where invited to give updates but couldn't come.

158/REIDSVILLE ROAD WIDENING

Scott: Utility relocation work is anticipated to begin on the north end of the project in October 2022.

Construction start is scheduled for December 2023.

NC 66 WIDENING

Scott: Utility relocations are anticipated to begin on the east end of the project this fall. Construction start was recently changed to November 2023.

Scott will coordinate a meeting with DOT and 2 council members to discuss the Darrow Road / Reidsville Road intersection. Wesley & Vernon agree to go.

2. <u>ORDINANCE:</u> TO DECLARE THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5055 KLONDIKE ROAD A PUBLIC NUICANCE AND DIRECT THE TOWN MANAGER TO DEMOLISH, REMOVE AND GRADE STRUCUTRES UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION

Scott: Property owners authorized boarding up the house and demolishing it because of illegal activity.

The owners were waiting on the Tax Office to condemn it.

MOTION: TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE TO DECLARE THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5055 KLONDIKE ROAD A PUBLIC NUICANCE AND DIRECT THE TOWN MANAGER TO DEMOLISH, REMOVE AND GRADE STRUCUTRES UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION

BY: WESLEY HUTCHINS

SECOND: VERNON BROWN

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (BROWN, HUTCHINS, MARTIN)

3. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JULY, 2022

Doc: We are 1 month or 8.3% of the way through the year. Every line well within budget.
Don't expect much revenue to be in this early in the year.
Unrestricted Funds for August @ \$5,965,046.76 and Restricted Funds @\$740,417.07 for a Grand Total Fund Balance of \$6,705,463.83.

Don't think I've seen a higher fund balance!

Doc: Any discussion from council? NO

MOTION: TO APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR JULY, 2022 AS PRESENTED BY STAFF

BY: WESLEY HUTCHINS

SECOND: MARILYN MARTIN VOTE: UNANIMOUS (BROWN, HUTCHINS, MARTIN)

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: TO ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING AT 7:31 P.M. BY: MARILYN MARTIN SECOND: WESLEY HUTCHINS VOTE: UNANIMOUS (BROWN, HUTCHINS, MARTIN)

ANOUNCEMENTS:

No Planning Board meeting in August.

Submitted by: Rusty Sawyer Town Clerk

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