

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF WALKERTOWN TOWN COUNCIL JANUARY 26, 2023 @ 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 Marilyn Martin, Vernon Brown, Wesley Hutchins, and Town Manager Scott Snow and Town Clerk Rusty Sawyer.

Attending from the Walkertown Planning Board, Caroline Jones.

The Invocation was given by Mayor Davis.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vernon Brown.

Wesley: If I may Mr. Mayor, I see we have a Boy Scout with us tonight. Are you here earning your "Citizenship in the Community" merit badge? *Yes sir!* Please tell us your name. *Cooper*.

Doc: Thank you Wesley. Cooper, we are proud to have you with us tonight. Any additions to the agenda from council? *NO*

THE AGENDA WAS APPROVED AS WRITTEN BY MOTION MADE BY VERNON BROWN AND SECONDED BY MARILYN MARTIN.
THE VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS.

(BROWN, HUTCHINS, MARTIN)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- DECEMBER 15, 2022
- JANUARY 12, 2023

THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY MOTION MADE BY WESLEY HUTCHINS 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** @ 7:02.

My name is Johnathan Lane and I live at 4565 Camellia Lane in Walkertown. I have a question about sewer expansion. When will the town be expanding the sewer to my street?

Doc: I'm sorry but there is no planned extension to your street at this time.

Johnathan: We have City/County water. It would be nice to have sewer service for the older homes in our development.

Scott: Sewer service is provided by City/County Utilities, not by the Town of Walkertown.

With no other speakers coming forward, the Mayor closes the **Public Session** @ 7:07.

BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:

1. RESOLUTION: A REQUEST TO THE FORSYTH COUNTY
COMMISIONERS FOR A CONTINUANCE OF REZONING CASE F-1624
FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMPLETING THE OLD HOLLOW RD
WALKERTOWN COMMONS CIRCLE TRAFFIC STUDY

Doc: This rezoning case is for development in the county not inside the town. The property is on HWY 66 to the east of Mavis Tire. The developer did not do a traffic study.

Scott: We think it would be beneficial to the town and the county to have the impact of traffic on HWY 66 before commissioners make a decision.

MOTION: TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION REQUESTING TO THE

FORSYTH COUNTY COMMISIONERS FOR A CONTINUANCE

OF REZONING CASE F-1624 FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMPLETING THE OLD HOLLOW RD/WALKERTOWN

COMMONS CIRCLE TRAFFIC STUDY

BY: WESLEY HUTCHINS SECOND: MARILYN MARTIN

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

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2. WICKNEHAM PARK DISCUSSION UPDATE

Scott: Wesley and Peggy met with the Walkertown Little League and the Walkertown Girls Softball Association.

Each group will need to finish sign-ups to submit numbers of players. Each group has multiple ages/divisions. Once we have their numbers we can set a schedule and assign fields.

Wesley: Most of the problems between the two groups were scheduling conflicts.

Doc: Any questions from council? No.

3. PROJECT UPDATES

Scott:

- DEQ (DENR) are expected to have authorization of the contract for the Sullivantown Sewer project by the end of next week. We are using DEQ funding for the project.
- Mark and I will be meeting with DOT soon for the sidewalk projects.
- Doc is checking with Duke Energy to remove trees on Sullivantown Road.
- Meeting 2/8 with Courtney Driver at CCUC to discuss utility system needs Doc: Any questions from council? *No.*

4. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JANUARY, 2023

Doc: We are in the seventh month or ~58% of the way through the year. Every line well within budget. Revenue funds are at 72% and ahead of expectations. Interest is finally way up.

Scott: We received the second Powell Bill allocation.

Doc: Will we be paving Sullivantown Road?

Scott: We do not have plans for resurfacing Sullivantown Road this year. We will probably need to wait until the sewer and sidewalk projects are complete before doing any work on the Sulivantown roadway. Our plan is for resurfacing or sealing as needed on Salem Road and the side roads off of Salem.

Wesley: Where do we stand with the Powell Bill fund cap?

Scott: Our cap at our current population is the previous 5 allocations. Our goal is to use approximately \$150,000 out of the Powell Bill fund each fiscal year, that should keep us below the general fund cap.

Doc: We have Unrestricted Funds for January at \$6,817,302.95 Restricted Funds at \$1,518,319.23 for a Grand Total Fund Balance of \$8,335,622.18.

Doc: Any discussion from council? NO

MOTION: TO APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR JANUARY,

2023 AS PRESENTED BY STAFF

BY: WESLEY HUTCHINS SECOND: VERNON BROWN

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

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ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: TO ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING AT 7:28 P.M.

BY: MARILYN MARTIN SECOND: WESLEY HUTCHINS

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

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ANOUNCEMENTS:

No February Planning Board meeting.

Submitted by: Rusty Sawyer Town Clerk

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