



**SEDALIA TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
SEDALIA TOWN HALL  
6121 Burlington Road  
October 2, 2023  
7PM**

**Minutes**

- **CALL TO ORDER:** The regular scheduled meeting for the Town of Sedalia was called to order at 7:00 pm at the Sedalia Town Hall by Mayor Morgan.
- **PRAYER & MEDITATION:** Time was allotted for silent prayer and meditation.
- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Time was allotted for pledge to the U.S. Flag.
- **ROLL CALL:** Mayor Morgan, Mayor Pro Tem Faison, Councilwoman Wrenwick, and Councilman Sharpe.
- **ABSENT:** Councilwoman Jones

**A. MOTION** to approve the agenda was made with the removal of the item – Making a Better North Carolina by Mayor Pro Tem Faison and seconded by Councilwoman Wrenwick. Motion carried.

**B. MOTION** to approve the minutes from the September 11<sup>th</sup> Town Council meeting was made by Councilwoman Wrenwick and seconded by Councilman Sharpe. Motion carried.

**C. GUESTS/REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS**

**I. Code Enforcement Report**

Tristan Smith with Alliance Code Enforcement provided the report on violation cases.

- **6124 Burlington Road** overgrown lot of more than 24 inches. A work order will be submitted to have the lot mowed. Hearing date has been set.
- **331 Sedalia Road** overgrown lot and tree logs in yard. Notice of Violation sent. Most of the tree logs have been removed and the yard will be mowed. Hearing date has been set.
- **335 Sedalia Road**, overgrown lot and piles of building material on property. Notice of Violation sent. Hearing date has been set.
- **6141 Blue Lantern Road** overgrown lot and multiple unregistered vehicles. Notice of Violation sent. Hearing date has been set.
- **6137 Blue Lantern Road** multiple unregistered vehicles. Hearing date has been set.
- **6103 Blue Lantern Road** overgrown lot, open storage of junk, trash and debris. Property has a junk fence. Also, a building was constructed with no permit issued. Notice of Violation sent. Hearing date has been set.
- **6101 Blue Lantern Road** overgrown lot and junk vehicle. Hearing date has been set.

- **6004 #2 Blue Lantern Road** junk vehicles. The property owner is willing to bring the property into abatement. Hearing date has been set.
- **5912 Blue Lantern Road** property in violation for not having proper permit, minimum housing violation for a house on a trailer, and it not being up to code, and violation to the towns nuisance ordinance. A hearing on this case has already been held, and an order was given to have the house removed. The property owners anticipate it being abated by the order date, October 12<sup>th</sup>.
- **5902 Blue Lantern Road** overgrown lot, open storage of indoor furniture, tires, building supplies, and other items. Hearing date has been set.
- **315 Martingale Drive** unregistered vehicle and junk pile. Notice of Violation will be sent.
- **1111 Palmer Farm Road** overgrown lot. Notice of Violation will be sent.
- **1113 Palmer Farm Road** junk piles. Notice of Violation will be sent.
- **809 Rockhurst Drive** trash in yard and unregistered vehicles. Spoke with owner. Notice of Violation will be sent.
- **304 Martingale Drive** unregistered and junk vehicles and open storage of toys and washing machine and dryer. Notice of Violation will be sent.
- **204 Martingale Drive** open storage. Notice of Violation will be sent.
- **203 Simmons Lake Drive**, overgrown lot. Notice of Violation will be sent.
- **6103 Gateway Drive** overgrown lot. Notice of Violation will be sent.

A meeting attendee commented at 655 Sedalia Road the grass is not being mowed between the ditch and road. Mr. Smith responded this is the road right-of-way and NCDOT is responsible for maintaining it. The property owner is not obligated to mow it.

## **II. Making a Better North Carolina**

This item was removed from the agenda because the presenter was unable to attend the meeting.

## **III. Sedalia Campaign Speeches**

Councilman Sharpe stated that last year he was appointed to the board when an opening on the board occurred. Mayor Morgan had the opportunity to meet him due to his involvement on the Land Use Committee. Mr. Sharpe said he joined this committee because of the concerns he had with plans for a bypass on U.S. 70. When the seat became open, Mayor Morgan asked him if he would consider filling this seat. Mr. Sharpe moved from Mebane to Sedalia in 2021. He is from Burlington and attended UNC-G. He has been a CPA for 32 years and now works in information technology for Duke University. He commented that Sedalia has been a community for many years, and he is not here to change things. While he is serving on the board, he asks questions on different matters, and tries to be thoughtful about what has gone on before him. He listens to the residents' concerns and wants to be the Town's voice on the Council. He respectfully asked the citizens for their vote during the November election.

Mayor Morgan stated he grew up in Sedalia and attended A&T University. He wants to continue being a part of the ongoing work in the Town. It is inevitable that Sedalia will

grow and wants to be a part of how it grows. Last year a developer walked away because the Town could not offer what he wanted. There are several ongoing projects such as the bicycle and pedestrian plan and the water and sewer feasibility study. The Town has received several grants over the last few years, and he wants to do the right thing for Sedalia. If there are things that our citizens do not like it, then the Town does not like it. He asked for the citizens vote during in this upcoming election.

It was noted there are two open seats on the Council and two candidates running for office. Voters will decide on the Council members, and the Council will decide on the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem. Mayor Morgan was asked if he would submit his name for mayor if he was re-elected. He responded he would.

A meeting attendee commented that when school lets out there is a lot of traffic and people are speeding through the area. Mayor Morgan responded Representative Hardister is looking at this issue. During a meeting with NCDOT, the school traffic was bought up, as well as the issue with Publix trucks coming through the town. Unfortunately, there are not a lot of options right now.

#### **IV. Review Additional Road Repair Quotes**

Administrator Dungee stated there are two more roads that need maintenance in town – the east side of Jennie Drive and Dansby Drive. Taylor’s Stump and Grading provided a quote for \$800 to clean and apply blacktop patch work at the intersection of Jennie Drive and Sedalia Road. For Dansby Drive, a quote of \$13,000 was received to grade and repair potholes and rut outs, and to apply asphalt millings, and \$7,350 to grade and repair potholes with crush and run base to match existing surface on Dansby Drive. It will be two to three weeks before the work can be done. Powell Bill funds will be used for this maintenance. The Powell Bill is an annual grant the town applies for and recently received a little over \$8,000. Sedalia will receive an additional \$8,000 early next year. It was noted if the Town had not filed for an extension, then the funds would have to be spent or returned.

**Motion to approve the quote by Taylor’s Stump and Grading LLC for work on Jennie Drive and Sedalia Road and Dansby Drive for a total of \$21,150 by Councilwoman Wrenwick and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Faison. Motion carried.**

A meeting attendee asked if Dansby Drive could be widened. Mayor Morgan responded it would be very costly for the Town to widen Dansby Drive and there are not sufficient funds in the Powell Bill account. Years ago, the Town already spent about \$90,000 on Dansby Drive to open one side up where it was a dead end.

#### **V. 2023 Sedalia Fall Litter Sweep**

Mayor Pro Tem Faison reported that the Fall Litter Sweep event will be held on October 14<sup>th</sup> at 9 am. Volunteers should meet at the Town Hall. Gloves, vests, pickers and bags will be available for volunteers. Please come out and beautify the community. She added that for those who cannot come out to help on that day, then please clean up around your neighborhood on your own time. It was noted trash bags can be picked up at the Town Hall before the Litter Sweep date and filled trash bags can be placed on the northwestern corner

of Sedalia Road and U.S. 70/Burlington Road. No dumpster will be available for the Fall Litter Sweep. This is provided each year during the Spring Litter Sweep.

**D. CITIZENS COMMENTS**

\*Robert Jones, 6508 Rolling Acres Drive, shared information he learned about regarding a ceremony that was held on Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup> by the Guilford County Community Remembrance Project in partnership with the Equal Justice Initiative. The ceremony was held at the Church of the Covenant in Greensboro regarding the lynching of Eugene Hairston, a 17-year-old black youth, in Greensboro on August 25, 1887. Mr. Jones read over a summary of the acts that took place that day, and lead to the killing of Eugene Hairston. It saddened him to know that this took place in North Carolina, and he stated how important it is to know our history.

**E. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

All regular scheduled meetings are held at the Sedalia Town Hall at 7:00 pm.

- The next Planning Board meeting will be held on October 19<sup>th</sup>.
- The next Town Council Agenda meeting will be held on October 30<sup>th</sup>.
- The next Town Council meeting will be held on November 6<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted By:

Approved By:

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Cam Dungee, Town Administrator

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Howard Morgan, Mayor

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Date

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