

TOWN OF WEDDINGTON
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2021 – 7:00 P.M.
WEDDINGTON TOWN HALL
1924 WEDDINGTON ROAD WEDDINGTON, NC 28104
AGENDA *AMENDED AT MEETING***

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 - A. Approval of October 11, 2021 Regular Town Council Meeting Minutes
 - B. Approval of Resolution R-2021-09 to request NCDOT to accept Harlow's Crossing Drive and Liggett Drive into the state maintained secondary road system
 - C. Approve Proclamation P 2021-08 Designating November 27, 2021 as Small Business Saturday
9. Old Business
 - A. Staff Update on Solid Waste Contract Negotiations
 - B. Discussion of Hiring Process for Planner and Administrative Assistant/Deputy Clerk Positions
- ** 10. New Business
 - ~~A. Discussion and Consideration of Employee Education Reimbursement Policy~~
11. Update from Town Planner
12. Code Enforcement Report
13. Update from Finance Officer and Tax Collector
14. Transportation Report
15. Council Comments
16. Adjournment



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1. Open the Meeting

Mayor Callis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Council led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. Determination of Quorum

Quorum was determined with all Councilmembers present: Mayor Elizabeth Callis, Mayor Pro Tem Janice Propst, Councilmembers Anne Pruitt, Mike Smith, and Jeff Perryman

Staff present: Town Administrator/Clerk Karen Dewey, Town Attorneys Karen Wolter and Jennifer Nancarrow

Visitors: Brannon Howie, Mike Morse, Bill Deter, Re Smith, Tracy Stone, Craig Horn

4. Additions, Deletions and/or Adoption of the Agenda

Mayor Pro Tem Propst requested that item 10.A. Discussion and Consideration of Employee Education Reimbursement Policy be tabled until the 2022 Council Retreat due to the need for more in depth discussion.

Motion: Councilmember Perryman made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended.
Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

5. Mayor/Councilmember Reports

Mayor Pro Tem Propst: The tree lighting is 5 to 9 on the 19th. Everybody is welcome. Mr. and Mrs. Claus will be there, and 3 food trucks are expected to attend.

Councilmember Pruitt gave a WUMA update. On November 16, the Union County Library will have its groundbreaking. The first annual Marvin day will be May 21, 2022, and the Village of Marvin Town Hall is scheduled to be completed in January. The next WUMA meeting will be in Mineral Springs on November 18th at 4:00 p.m.

Councilmember Perryman added that WUMA has been discussing the ARPA funds and at the October meeting, the Union County Planning Board Chairman spoke concerning some possible ETJ changes to be presented to the county commissioner, to allow some zoning jurisdictions over the unincorporated donut holes.

6. Public Comments-none
7. Public Safety Report

Ms. Dewey read the Public Safety Report from Deputy Kropp: There are still traffic issues in the morning on Weddington Road, Beulah Church Road, and Twelve Mile Creek Road. The Elementary School traffic appears to have been resolved from the recent improvements in the parking lot to get more vehicles off the road. Several cars have been stopped and issued citations on Cox Road in excess of 75 mph. Please be mindful of your speed in the Town of Weddington and speak with new drivers about following the posted speed limits. If anyone has a traffic issue that they would like to report, please notify the Town of Weddington or email Deputy Kropp directly.

8. Consent Agenda

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Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Propst made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

9. Old Business

A. Staff Update on Solid Waste Contract Negotiations

Ms. Wolter stated that staff and Active are actively negotiating some of the pricing items and working on the damages segment of the contract. Staff expects to present it to Active for review before the next meeting. The goal for council review and approval is January.

B. Discussion of Hiring Process for Planner and Administrative Assistant/Deputy Clerk Positions

Ms. Dewey requested Council give availability for interview dates and times. Council agreed. Ms. Wolter recommended that all Councilmembers meet with at least the Planner candidates.

Councilmember Smith asked what the legality was with the outgoing Councilmembers bowing out of interviews and let the newly elected members sit in on interviews. Ms. Wolter replied that as long as the applicants understand who they are interviewing with and agree, that would be fine.

Councilmember Pruitt stated that she would appreciate having the input from the outgoing Councilmembers. Mayor Pro Tem Propst and Councilmember Perryman agreed.

**** 10. New Business**

~~A. Discussion and Consideration of Employee Education Reimbursement Policy~~

11. Update from Town Planner

A community meeting for Haven Estates, a 45-lot subdivision off Lockhaven Rd was held on October 28th. It was well attended, and a lot of feedback was given to the developer. There will be a 2nd meeting before they present to the Planning Board at the January meeting. Mr. Brice has received an RCD application for a previously approved sketch plan for a 31-lot subdivision off Newtown Road. This new plan includes parcels in the county, and it may involve an annexation request.

12. Code Enforcement Report

Included in packet.

13. Update from Finance Officer and Tax Collector

Included in packet.

14. Transportation Report

Staff submitted the application for discretionary funds for a roundabout at Forest Lawn and Potter Road and will be presenting to the CRTPO on November 15th. The County has committed \$75,000 to the project.

Councilmember Pruitt asked about the past discussion with Indian Trail regarding a traffic light at Antioch Church Road.

Mayor Callis gave an update on the Tilley Morris roundabout. There was a minor setback with the zoning of the right of way, but it should not delay the start of the utility relocation.

15. Council Comments

Councilmember Mike Smith: I want to thank everybody for coming out and congratulations to our new councilmembers.

Mayor Pro Tem Propst: Congratulations to Craig Horn for Mayor and Brannon Howie for Council. I look forward to working with you. Thank you everybody for coming out tonight and thank you to the other candidates that put themselves out there. I appreciate your efforts. Everybody please come out on the 19th to the tree lighting.

Councilmember Anne Pruitt: I'll say congratulations and I look forward to working with everybody. It's been a pleasure working with Liz and Mike, I say that even though I'll see you all next month. Thank you everybody for coming out tonight as well.

Councilmember Jeff Perryman: I'd like to add that I know 2021 is winding down and everybody in our community and our nation has been going through a lot. Everybody in this room could talk about what they are dealing with, I think we are hopefully seeing light at the end of the tunnel. We have a great town. I was out at the polls last Tuesday and the folks I had a chance to talk to showed me that we've got a great community. I have great confidence in moving forward and working together to get things done. Thanks everybody for being here. We will see you in December. Have a great holiday season.


Mayor Elizabeth Callis: Thank you Janice, for stepping in last month and doing a fantastic job running the meeting. In 48 meetings I've missed two and missed those because I was sick. Thank you everybody for coming out. Thank you for the support. Congratulations to Craig, Brannon, and Jeff. This has been a lot of fun and it's also been a lot of learning. I'm going to miss it.

16. Adjournment

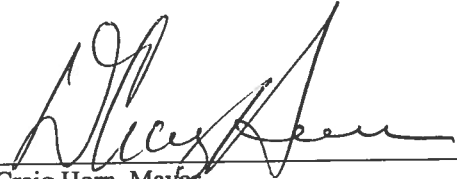
Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Propst made a motion to adjourn the November 8, 2021 Regular Town Council meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Approved: December 13, 2021



Karen Dewey, Town Administrator/Clerk



Craig Horn, Mayor

**NORTH CAROLINA STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
REQUEST FOR ADDITION TO STATE MAINTAINED SECONDARY ROAD SYSTEM
TOWN OF WEDDINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA**

R-2021-09

**North Carolina
County of Union**

**Road Descriptions: Harlow's Crossing Drive and Liggett Drive in the Harlow's Crossing
Subdivision in the Town of Weddington in Union County, North Carolina**

WHEREAS, the attached petition has been filed with the Town Council of the Town of Weddington, Union County, requesting that the above described roads, the location of which has been indicated in red on the attached maps, be added to the Secondary Road System; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Weddington is of the opinion that the above described roads should be added to the Secondary Road System, if the roads meet minimum standards and criteria established by the Division of Highways of the Department of Transportation for the addition of roads to the System.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Town of Weddington of the County of Union that the Division of Highways is hereby requested to review the above-described roads, and to take over the roads for maintenance if it meets established standards and criteria.

Adopted this 8th day of November 2021.


Elizabeth Callis, Mayor

Attest:


Karen Dewey, Town Administrator/Clerk





**TOWN OF WEDDINGTON
PROCLAMATION
P-2021-08**

WHEREAS Weddington, NC celebrates our local small businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community; and

WHEREAS small businesses employ over 47.5% of the working population in the United States; and

WHEREAS small businesses contribute positively to the local community by supplying jobs and generating tax revenue and are critical to the overall economic health of the country; and

WHEREAS it is important to support the small businesses in the community; and

WHEREAS the Town of Weddington supports our local businesses that create jobs, boost our local economy, and preserve our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS advocacy groups as well as public and private organizations across the country have endorsed the Saturday after Thanksgiving as Small Business Saturday; and

NOW THEREFORE I, Elizabeth Callis, Mayor of the Town of Weddington on behalf of the Town Council and the residents of Weddington do hereby proclaim November 27, 2021 as


SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY

And urge the residents of our community and communities across the country, to support small businesses and merchants on Small Business Saturday and throughout the year.

In Witness Whereof, I do hereby set my hand and seal this 8th day of November 2021.


Elizabeth Callis, Mayor

Attest:


Karen Dewey, Town Clerk



