



**TOWN OF WADESBORO
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
WADESBORO TOWN COUNCIL**

Monday

June 4, 2018

5:00 P.M.

OPENING OF MEETING

Mayor Thacker called the meeting to order and presided at 5:00 PM.

COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor Bill Thacker, Mayor Pro Tem Fred Davis, Jeremy Burr, John Ballard and Bobby Usrey were present. Councilman James David Lee was absent. Town Attorney Aaron Bates was present.

DEPARTMENT HEADS PRESENT

Interim Town Manager Ray Allen, Police Chief Thedis Spencer and Public Utilities Director Hugh James were present.

INVOCATION

Father Tim Hushion of Calvary Episcopal Church gave the invocation.

Mayor Thacker introduced the new Town Manager, David Edwards. Mr. Edwards will begin work with the Town of Wadesboro on June 18, 2018.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Jeremy Burr made a motion and John Ballard seconded to approve the agenda with the following changes. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 for and 0 against.

1. Move 7a to beginning of meeting
2. Under New Business add June 18, 2018 Public Hearing for FY 2018-2019 Budget.
3. Under Consent Agenda add minutes from May 31, 2018 Town Council meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Bobby Usrey made a motion and Fred Davis seconded to approve the following consent agenda items. The vote was approved with a vote of 4 for and 0 against.

Approval of minutes from May 7, 2018; May 14, 2018; and May 31, 2018 Council meetings.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Lewis Evans briefed the Council on things TDA are doing such as banners and signs.

David Harrington of Ingram Street asked the Council the possibility of the Town applying for other grants for Ingram Street. He also requested a report of what was spent on the East Wade Bridge project and the new Fire Department. Interim Town Manager Ray Allen told Mr. Harrington to come by the office on Friday and he would have for him.

Uptown Wadesboro Director Julian Swittenberg advised the Council of the Uptown Wadesboro Summer Jam Friday, June 30, 2018 from 6:00 to 9:00 with fireworks following.

Jason Rigsby of 517 Lee Avenue complained to Council about taxes being raised. He also voiced his concern over no incentives for new businesses to come to the community. The Council advised Mr. Rigsby that the County is the one that is doing the tax reevaluation not the Town.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Public Utilities Director Hugh James informed the Council that the Carolina Thread Trail Governing Board has approved grants of \$20,000 for corridor design for one of the Wadesboro Greenway and \$85,000 to purchase necessary easements and property to accommodate the Wadesboro Greenway trail expansion. (Attachment A)

Jeremy Burr made a motion and Fred Davis seconded to approve the Budget Ordinance Amendment to decrease FY 2017-2018 water and sewer fund budget by \$103,519. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 for and 0 against. (Attachment B)

TOWN STAFF REPORT

Public Utilities Director Hugh James reminded the Council that a little over a year has passed since we started the automated trash pickup. The trash pickup ordinance states that the Town will allow trash customers to use other trash cans other than the one the Town's. Starting July 1, 2018 customers will only be able to use the Town's cans. If they need another can the customer will have to come by Town Hall to purchase another. We will no longer pickup trash which is in a can other than the Town's as of July 1, 2018.

Interim Town Manager Ray Allen presented the finance report to the Council. He also advised the Council that Terry Helms called him and stated that he would like for Mr. Allen to convey to the Council his concern that yard sales are allowed to take place at commercial business at times other than allowed by the Town of Wadesboro's Yard Sale Ordinance.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS CLOSED SESSION

John Ballard made a motion and Jeremy Burr seconded to go into closed session for the following. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 for and 0 against.

NC General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(3) to consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body to preserve the attorney-client privilege; and 143-318.11(a)(6) to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, condition of appointment of a public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee.

Fred Davis made a motion and Jeremy Burr seconded to go back into regular session. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 for and 0 against.

ADJOURNMENT

Fred Davis made a motion and John Ballard seconded to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 PM. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 for and 0 against.

Cynthia A. Pope, NCCMC
Secretary to the Council
Town of Wadesboro