

Dunn City Council
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, May 11, 2021
7:00 p.m., Dunn Municipal Building

Minutes

PRESENT: Mayor Pro Tem Dr. David L. Bradham, Council Members J. Wesley Sills, April Gaulden, Frank McLean, Billy N. Tart, and Chuck Turnage. **Absent:** Mayor William P. Elmore Jr. *Notice, relating to the Special Meeting Conditions, is incorporated into these minutes as Attachment #1.*

Also present: City Manager Steven Neuschafer, Assistant City Manager Mathew Boone, Finance Director Jim Roberts, Planning Director George Adler, Chief Building Inspector Steven King, Chief of Police Clark White, Parks and Recreation Director Brian McNeill, Human Resources Director Anne Thompson, Librarian Mike Williams, Executive Assistant Connie Jernigan, Communications Coordinator Kaitlin Adkins, City Attorney Tilghman Pope, and City Clerk Tammy Williams.

CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

Mayor Pro Tem Bradham opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and reported that Mayor Elmore is recovering and hopefully will return soon. Rev. Len Keever, Pastor at First Baptist Church gave the invocation and Council Member McLean led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ADJUSTMENT AND APPROVAL

Motion by Council Member Turnage and second by Council Member McLean to adopt the May 11, 2021 meeting agenda as presented with the following adjustment:

Add Item #17A Item for Discussion and/or Decision

- NC Department of Transportation Betterment Agreement I-5878

Motion unanimously approved.

PRESENTATIONS

New Employee Introductions

Chief White introduced Police Officers Mitchell D. Ashley and Chase B. Serlick.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The Public Comment Period was opened by Mayor Pro Tem Bradham at 7:05 p.m. Having no comments, the Public Comment period was closed.

CONSENT ITEMS

- Minutes of the April 13, 2021 City Council Meeting.
- Temporary Blocking of Streets – First Presbyterian Church
- Temporary Blocking of Streets – Harnett St
- Temporary Blocking of Streets – Wilkins Cemetery Community Committee
- Temporary Blocking of Alley – Stewart Theatre
- Budget Amendment – Lakeshore Drive Waterline Replacement Project. *A copy of the Budget Amendment (BA2021-19) is incorporated into these minutes as Attachment #2.*

Motion by Council Member McLean and second by Council Member Gaulden to approve all consent items.

Motion unanimously approved.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR DECISION

Consideration of I95/I40 Crossroads of America Economic Planning Alliance MOU

Motion by Council Member Turnage and second by Council Member Tart to table. **Motion unanimously approved.**

Consideration of Conditional Use Request – CUP-02-21 to allow for RV Park/Campground

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:07 p.m. and Mayor Pro Tem Bradham yielded to City Attorney Pope to handle the proceedings for the conditional use request. (City Attorney Pope's script is transcribed in italics.)

The next matter is Case #CUP-02-21, which is a request by Adams & Hodge Engineering, PC, who is the applicant and Ropestar Events, LLC, who is the owner for a Conditional Use Permit to allow for an RV Park/Campground as a conditional use of a property that is zoned I-100, Industrial District. The hearing in this matter is judicial in nature and will be conducted in accordance with special due process safeguards.

First, all persons wishing to provide testimony tonight, please approach the podium to be sworn in or to give your affirmation and then after the swearing-in, you may return to your seat. City Attorney Pope swore in Planning Director Adler, Donnie Adams and Brian Barefoot.

In this hearing, we will first hear from City Planner George Adler, and then from the applicant and their witnesses, and then from the opponents to the request if any. Parties may cross-examine witnesses after each witness testifies when questions are called for. If you would like for the Council to see written evidence, such as reports, maps, exhibits and documents of that nature, the witness who is most familiar with the document or evidence should introduce it at that time. We cannot accept reports from anyone who is not here to provide testimony. I did not see any attorneys from either side. We will first hear from City Planner George Adler.

I now open the hearing on Case #CUP-02-21 which is a Conditional Use Permit Application and ask for testimony from the City Planning Director.

Planning Director Adler: "Thank you very much. I'd like to enter into the record the staff report that has been distributed to all council members." *So received.*

Adler: "My remarks will be drawn from the primarily the findings and fact that are in the report. This is an approximately 50 acre parcel. Approximately half of it is a pond and currently, it is vacant and what is proposed is a recreational vehicle campground, with 87 sites. The use requested RV parks/Campground is listed among the conditional uses in the Dunn City Code at Section 22-461(11)(a).

The requested use is desirable or essential to the public welfare or convenience. The property - there are two properties here. It looks like one piece of property but there is a small portion of it up near I-95 and it is treated as a single piece. The properties are located between I-95 and NC 55, providing easy access to I-95 Exit 73, less than a mile away via NC 55. Approximately half the property is a 22-acre pond. This location on I-95, between population centers to the north and Florida to the south is well situated as a resting place for the RV traveling public. The closest RV parks currently are approximately 10 miles to the north near Benson and 14 miles to the south near Wade. An RV park at this location in Dunn will enhance public convenience and should increase tourism that will benefit local businesses in Dunn.

An RV campground will not detract from the character of the adjoining districts and should preserve the rural feel of the area. The pond will remain and, combined with proposed improvements, create "viewscales" to enhance the view from roadways and adjacent properties. The parcels' wooded areas will be altered only enough to establish the campsites and road system, leaving a large portion for walking trails and buffering. Extra buffering will be required between the RV Park and adjacent residential parcels, which exist along 55

The Future Land Use Map anticipated the area east of I-95 in the vicinity of the property to remain agricultural/open space in 2030. But the Future Land Use Map, completed in 2005, couldn't foresee the changes the economy would go through. The zoning was changed to I-100 in 2013 to amend the zoning map to reflect the current use of properties and the 2030 future land use plan. An RV park is a permitted conditional use in the I-100 Industrial District. The preliminary site plan developed for the RV Park, as of April 23, 2021, conforms to the requirements in Chapter 22, Article VIII: Travel Trailers and Trailer Campgrounds and meets all requirements to allow for a conditional use permit.

City water is accessible to the site from a water line near I-95; sewer as well. Access to the property will be from NC 55, where an NCDOT approved driveway access currently exist. Storm water conveyance, storage, and treatment will be designed to meet the City of Dunn's storm water requirements. Solid waste will be collected by a private company. Access to all utilities currently exist or can be provided. If there are any questions I would be happy to answer."

Anyone on the council have any questions for the City Planner?

Council Member Tart: "George I have one. On the police department, do we cover, would we cover that section there, I know it is in the planning zoning but would the police be responsible for going out"

Adler: "I believe currently it is, is in, I can't remember I'm not sure if it is in the city limits."

Tart: "I was thinking it was. I just want to make sure that the police department was good with it."

If it's in the city limits, then it has city police protection. If it's not in the city limits, then it doesn't. I don't know whether it is or it isn't. Any other questions from the council for the city planner.

Council Member Turnage: "George the access is off 55 as you mentioned. Is there an access as you go in front of Rooms to Go on the service road there? Further down before you get to the branch there."

Adler: "The service road will be affected by I-95 widening."

Turnage: "Oh that's right."

Adler: "So that is not available. I believe they looked at that and found that wouldn't be possible."

Any other questions from persons that are present for the city planner. Thank you Mr. Adler.

We will now hear from the applicant and other proponents if you have been sworn to provide testimony, if you would provide your name and address before your testimony, please.

Donnie Adams: "Good evening I'm Donnie Adams, I am a professional engineer with Adams and Hodge Engineering at 314 E Main St in Clayton, North Carolina. My firm is the engineer and planner on this project. I'm going to be brief in my responses. We have addressed all the findings of fact. They have been read into the record. Mr. Adler has emphasized the points. We are in harmony with all of that. This project - I will, be, pick a couple of things to point out and reiterate some things that the planning board mentioned a couple of weeks back, when we were in front of them.

We do believe that this use is in concert with the ordinances allowed as a conditional use. We believe that it meets that criteria. We also believe that there is a need. Dunn is in a great location, halfway between all the high density areas of our north, and folks want to head south to Florida. It's a great location. We believe folks are going to want to jump off of 95 and stay here for nights, weekends, for a time and enjoy the area. They will contribute to the local economy. I think you will see that with restaurants and other retail places and I know there are some good golf courses around, so folks love to do that. And that was reiterated by the planning board as well, they noted that for the local economy. I do not believe that it's going to be a negative impact to future development in the area. I think it fits in nicely.

It's a beautiful track of land and our intention- the owners, developers' intention on this was to take the property that is there and try to use all the beautiful qualities of it. There is a beautiful pond that is there and I think there are going to be some improvements that will make it even more beautiful and more usable.

Safety wise, we will be using pretty much the current access, if you guys have had a chance to look at the site. There is a gate out there now. Our proposed entrance is basically going to be in that location. From the public health and safety side, we have no issue with the sight distance in each direction there. It will be a safe entrance and we will be working with NC DOT on proper permits, once we make it past this point.

There is an existing sewer outfall line that runs through the property. We are aware of that and we have designed our road system to follow that and we believe that our preliminary utility plan is in compliance with what will be required as we continue to move through this. We will be bringing water to the site from the main that runs along I95. And again, this property, it's going to stay in its overall general use that it is now or how it looks now. In that, about, a little better than fifty percent of the property is going to remain untouched, other than some clean ups. Now, I'm available to answer any questions you guys may have as far as professional wise, engineering wise, planning wise. Also tonight, one of the owners, Brian Barefoot, is here and he'd like to get up and speak to you guys as well and present his vision."

Any questions from the Council for Mr. Adams.

Council Member Turnage: "Just one and Steve I'm sure, you mentioned the outfall line, the sewer outfall line and everything. Steve, is that something while they are building their roads that we might consider upgrading or do we have some either spillage or leak infiltration there that might - have to work on?"

Councilman Turnage, at this point we can only ask Mr. Adams questions. If Mr. Neuschafer needs to testify we can call him up and you can ask him questions.

Turnage: "Ok Alright"

Did you have a question for Mr. Adams?

Turnage: "No"

Anybody else on the council have a question for Mr. Adams? Anybody that has been sworn to provide testimony have a question for Mr. Adams? Thank You sir. Anybody else for the applicant?

Brian Barefoot: "Good evening my name is Brian Barefoot. I live at 10422 Green Path Rd in Dunn. Lot of the things I will tell you guys, are the things that I mentioned to the planning board. I live just a few miles down the road from this property. Drove by it my whole life. Drive by it about 4 or 5 times a day. And, you know, I guess, maybe because of the sewer line that's going through the property, it's never been developed or used for much else than what it is now, just open land. So, we've had this vision of a RV Park for a couple of years. We bought the property, maybe a year ago, and started working on the engineering and here we are tonight. I think it will benefit the local economy and businesses. I reassured the planning board that I live in the area. You know, we had a little bit of concern about it being developed, but I live in the area too. I want it to be as nice and neat as possible. That's our plan. I'll be there daily, it's not like it's subbed out and I also drive by it 4 or 5 times a day.

I did want to mention that we have an option to get our services from Harnett County on 55 and we have the option of getting our services from the City of Dunn on the 95 area. And that's our plan - is to get all of our services from Dunn, city water and sewer and also to annex into Dunn is something we plan on doing as well. We hope that will benefit the city and for using their services and we plan on it being a first class facility. It will be very hands on. We plan on doing the construction in a couple of phases, at least two phases. Building some of the park, and as it grows, we will continue to build the rest of the park. Other than that, any questions, I will be glad to answer.

Mayor Pro Tem Bradham: "I got a couple of questions. So RV Park that runs everything from a pop up to a 40 foot, I mean, the whole gamut of all sizes, right?"

Barefoot: "Yes sir that's right."

Bradham: "And how does this work? Somebody calls and says look I'd like to reserve a space for next week. They call on the front office, they call and they go and just rent it out?"

Barefoot: "Well our plan is to do most of it online. We will have an office there and we will have staff there. That'll grow as we grow. But our plan is to do it mostly online and to be, you know, as high tech and keeping up with technology, and all that, as we can."

Bradham: "Ok."

Thank you Mr. Barefoot. Does anybody else on the council have questions for Mr. Barefoot?

Council Member Sills: "I do. Do you plan on selling this to like KOA campgrounds or something like that in the future?"

Barefoot: "That's not our plan now. We haven't even discussed selling it to any other bigger corporate type of campground. We don't know in the future what will happen, but that's not our plan. We haven't even spoke or researched any of the bigger corporate type campgrounds."

Sills: "Do you plan to let campers just put their legs down and trucks drive off and things like that?"

Barefoot: "Yea there will be, well obviously, the campers will have to be towed in there by a vehicle. But I'm sure there will be some that stay more than a night or two but it's definitely not intended for a permanent residence. We planned - with the addition of 95, there are a lot of construction workers that have stipends and might stay for a month or so however long they are working there. They pull campers and that is their method of lodging. I'm sure we will have some of that, but it is definitely not intended, and we don't plan on any kind of permanent residence at the park."

Any other questions from the council of Mr. Barefoot. Anybody else that has been sworn to provide testimony have any questions of Mr. Barefoot. Thank you sir.

We will now hear from people opposing the request. Anybody here to provide testimony in opposition to the request.

Councilman Turnage do you want Mr. Neuschafer to answer?

Council Member Turnage: "Yes that will be just as good as time as any."

Mr. Neuschafer if you will come to be sworn in please. Pope swears in City Manager Neuschafer.

Turnage: "Basically, if we have the outfall line there. Is that a place that we should consider, as we move forward in their preparation for the land, for us maybe upgrading or replacing some of the sewer lines there?"

Neuschafer: "During the review of the proposed park, we - the utility department already inspected that line, the age of the line and all those criteria were considered and they feel the segment that they are talking about where their property is at, is in good shape. So, we worked with the engineers closely to make sure the easements for the outfall line are respected, you know, and we were able to get access to them and so that was a key part of our review. All in all, according to the utility department, everything seems to be fine. And what was stated earlier about in order to get water and sewer services, the property has to be, by ordinance, annexed into the city. After that point and time, they will have police protection as stated earlier."

Turnage: "Ok thanks."

Any other questions for the city manager?

Council Member Sills: "Is this property inside the opportunity zone?"

Neuschafer: "Yes it is."

Sills: "Is there any other thing with this pond and, I guess wetlands, is there anything else that might go there other than something agri-tourism?"

Neuschafer: "Well it is currently zoned I-100 heavy industrial. Obviously, anything that met the permitted uses in that district could go there. This is one of the listed conditional uses that could go there. So this is something, without changing the zoning, the base zoning of the parcel itself, this is one of the uses that's listed that could possibly go there. I think all in all, if you look at the amount of wetlands and amount of open water that's on this property, the developable land, and of course the outfall that runs through it. Because that outfall line handles about, a little over a third of the city's sewer that goes to the eastside pump station. Taking all those things into consideration, it would be difficult to, you know, put a large industry on what's existing right there. However, that's the answer that I can provide based on what I know of the property."

Other questions of the city manager?

Anybody else that has been sworn to testify have questions for the city manager? Thank you sir.

We will now entertain any further questions from City Council members for the applicant, proponents or opponents at this time. Once the public hearing is closed, the only questions posed to the applicant, proponents or opponents shall be for clarification. No new evidence can be introduced after the close of the Public Hearing. So if anyone else has any questions they wish to ask of anybody who has been sworn to provide testimony, now is the time to ask.

If there are any conditions that the Council would like to place upon the use of the land by the applicants, those must be agreed to by the applicant. So, if any of you has any condition that you would like for the applicant to consider as part of potentially granting the conditional use permit, you should state what that condition is now and let us inquire of the applicant. Seeing no further questions and hearing no proposed conditions, it is appropriate to entertain a motion to close the public hearing.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Bradham and second by Council Member Turnage to close the public hearing. **Motion unanimously approved.**

Bradham: "At this point it is time for us to make a decision to grant or deny this. I entertain a motion at this time."

Motion by Council Member Turnage and second by Council Member Tart to grant the conditional use of an RV Park/Campground to the parcels presented for consideration based on the application, the evidence submitted, and the findings of fact as presented:

1. The use requested is listed among the conditional uses in the district for which the application is made. The use requested—RV parks/Campground—is listed among the conditional uses in the Dunn City Code at Section 22-461(11)(a).
2. The requested use is essential or desirable to the public convenience or welfare. The properties are located between I-95 and NC 55, providing easy access to I-95 Exit 73 less than a mile away via NC 55. Approximately half the property is a 22-acre pond. This location on I-95, between population centers to the north and Florida to the south is well situated as a resting place for the RV traveling public. The closest RV parks currently are approximately 10 miles to the north near Benson and 14 miles to the south near Wade. An RV park at this location in Dunn will enhance public convenience and should increase tourism that will benefit local businesses in Dunn.
3. The requested use will not impair the integrity or character of the surrounding or adjoining districts, nor be detrimental to the health, morals, or welfare. An RV campground will not detract from the character of the adjoining districts and should preserve the rural feel of the area. The pond will remain and, combined with proposed improvements, create "viewsapes" to enhance the view from roadways and adjacent properties. The parcels' wooded areas will be altered only enough to establish the campsites and road system, leaving a large portion for walking trails and buffering. Extra buffering will be required between the RV Park and adjacent residential parcels.
4. The requested use will be in conformity with the land development plan. The Future Land Use Map anticipated the area east of I-95 in the vicinity of the property to remain agricultural/open space in 2030. But the Future Land Use Map, completed in 2005, couldn't foresee the changes the economy would go through. The zoning was changed to I-100 in 2013 to amend the zoning map to reflect the current use of properties and the 2030 land use plan. An RV park is a permitted conditional use in the I-100 Industrial District. The preliminary site plan developed for the RV Park, as of April 23, 2021, conforms to the requirements in Chapter 22, Article VIII: Travel Trailers and Trailer Campgrounds and meets all requirements to allow for a conditional use permit.
5. Adequate utilities, access roads, drainage, sanitation, and other necessary facilities have been or are being provided. City water is accessible to the site from a water line near I-95; sewer as well. Access to the property will be from NC 55, where a NCDOT approved driveway access currently is. Storm water conveyance, storage, and treatment will be designed to meet the City of Dunn's storm water requirements. Solid waste will be collected by a private company. Access to all utilities currently exist or can be provided. **Motion unanimously approved.** *A copy of the evidence submitted is incorporated into these minutes as Attachment #3.*

Consideration of Ordinance to Demolish – 405 N Elm Ave

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:30 p.m. Chief Building Inspector King presented consideration of Ordinance to Demolish Condemned Structure at 405 N Elm Ave. Building Inspector Slater Johnson conducted an inspection and based upon his observations, the structure is unsafe and has been condemned in accordance with G.S. §160D-1117. The Building Inspector also found the structure dangerous or prejudicial to the public health or public safety and a nuisance in violation of G.S. §160A-193. King added that the property has been vacant for a while and caught fire in January. Notices have been sent to the owners, with no replies or no repairs or demolition. With no additional comments, the public hearing was closed.

City Attorney Pope told Council that the following ordinances that are being considered tonight have some statute numbers that have changed due to the changes with Chapter 160D of the NC General Statutes.

Motion by Council Member Sills and second by Council Member Gaulden to adopt the ordinance directing the Building Inspector to proceed with the demolition of the structure located at 405 N Elm Ave, PIN#: 1516-87-0692.000 with Attorney Pope's changes. **Motion unanimously approved.** *A copy of the Ordinance (02021-09) is incorporated into these minutes as Attachment #4.*

Consideration of Ordinance to deem property Unfit for Human Habitation – 119 E Broad St

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:34 p.m. Chief Building Inspector King presented consideration of Ordinance to deem property Unfit for Human Habitation at 119 E Broad St. Code Enforcement Officer Dwayne Williams conducted an inspection and found the structure in a deteriorated condition that does not meet the requirements of the City of Dunn's Non-Residential Building Maintenance Code. Williams also found the property dangerous or prejudicial to the public health or public safety and a nuisance in violation of N.C.G.S. §160A-193. King added that this property was known as McLeod Furniture. His office has received many complaints on the property. They had indicated they were going to do repairs but then said they were selling the property. No repairs have been made since the process was started. If ordinance adopted, they will have two years to make repairs but property could not be occupied.

Jaime Castillo shared that he was planning on purchasing the building and moving his restaurant there. With no additional comments, the public hearing was closed.

After further discussion, motion by Council Member Turnage and second by Council Member McLean to adopt the ordinance directing the Chief Building Inspector to vacate, close, and post the property Unfit for Human Habitation at 119 E Broad St, PIN#: 1516-67-4382.000. **Motion unanimously approved.** *A copy of the Ordinance (02021-10) is incorporated into these minutes as Attachment #5.*

Consideration of Ordinance to deem property Unfit for Human Habitation – 100 W Edgerton St

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:42 p.m. Chief Building Inspector King presented consideration of Ordinance to deem property Unfit for Human Habitation at 100 W Edgerton St. Code Enforcement Officer Williams conducted an inspection and found the structure in a deteriorated condition that does not meet the requirements of the City of Dunn's Non-Residential Building Maintenance Code. Williams also found the property dangerous or prejudicial to the public health or public safety and a nuisance in violation of N.C.G.S. §160A-193. Chief Building Inspector King reported that this is the location of a business, Champion Milling. He reviewed the issues with the building and that some repairs have been made. He shared that a major concern was the use of a forklift on the floor, not designed to handle this kind of equipment. It will need some sort of engineering for the forklift. He has been in touch with owner, business owner and their Attorney Bo Jones and feel like they will be willing to make some changes. He recommended giving them additional time to handle repairs so that the business would not have to close.

Bo Jones, Attorney representing WREN Industries and Gary Harris, Champion Milling requested an additional 60 days to have an engineer look at the floor system so they can find out what kind of expense they are looking at. With no additional comments, the public hearing was closed.

Motion by Council Member Turnage and second by Mayor Pro Tem Bradham to table until the July meeting to allow the owners time to consult with an engineer for an assessment to bring the building back up to code. **Motion unanimously approved.**

Consideration of Resolution Fixing Date of Public Hearing for Voluntary Annexation Petition ANX-01-21

City Manager Neuschafer presented request to approve a resolution fixing date for a Public Hearing as June 8, 2021 for voluntary contiguous annexation petition ANX-01-21; +/-65.36 acres lot, owned by Susan Tart Property, LLC. The property is identified by the Harnett County Registry as PIN #1506-77-7440.000, 1506-88-2105.000 and 1506-88-1668.000. The clerk was directed to investigate the petition at the April 13, 2021 Council meeting. She researched the documents and verified the property meets the criteria for annexation.

Motion by Council Member McLean and second by Council Member Turnage to adopt the Resolution Fixing Date of Public Hearing as June 8, 2021 for the Voluntary Contiguous Annexation Petition ANX-01-21. **Motion unanimously approved.** *A copy of the Resolution (R2021-16) is incorporated into these minutes as Attachment #6.*

Consideration of Solid Waste Contract Extension

City Manager Neuschafer presented request for council to approve a four-year contract extension with Republic Services after an extensive review and discussion at the Budget Planning Retreat and Budget Workshop.

Motion by Council Member Gaulden and second by Council Member Tart to authorize City Manager Neuschafer to execute a four (4) year extension of the current solid waste contract with Republic Services beginning July 1, 2021 after review and concurrence from the City Attorney. **Motion unanimously approved.**

Consideration of Landscape Maintenance Contract Extension

Assistant City Manager Boone presented request to extend the contract with Old Mill Stream, Inc. for the landscape maintenance contract.

Motion by Council Member Turnage and second by Council Member McLean to authorize City Manager Neuschafer to execute a one (1) year extension of Old Mill Stream's current contract beginning July 1, 2021 and ending on June 30, 2022. **Motion unanimously approved.**

NCDOT

Assistant City Manager Boone presented proposed agreement for installation of conduit along the I95 widening project areas. NCDOT will install 8,375' of 2" conduit along on both the east and west sides of US421 and the Spring Branch/Pope Rd intersection. This conduit would be used for any future lighting needed to be installed in these areas. This cost is considerably lower to install now while the project is in progress rather than do this work at a later date.

After discussion, motion by Mayor Pro Tem Bradham and second by Council Member Gaulden to authorize City Manager Neuschafer to execute the Utility Construction Agreement ID #9854 between the City of Dunn and the NC Department of Transportation for the construction costs associated with conduit installation in NCDOT project I-5878. **Motion unanimously approved.**

Advisory Board Appointments

Motion by Council Member Sills and second by Council Member Turnage to reappoint Gary Beasley and Douglas Godwin and to appoint Blaine Everhart and Rodney Lanier to the Planning Board with terms to expire June 30, 2024. **Motion unanimously approved.**

Motion by Council Member Sills and second by Council Member Turnage to reappoint Dal Snipes to serve another term as Chairman of the ABC Board with term to end June 30, 2024. **Motion unanimously approved.**

Motion by Council Member Turnage and second by Council Member Tart to reappoint Delano Blaizes to the Dunn Board and Gloria Gullede as the Dunn representative on the Harnett County Library Board and appoint Angela Godwin to the Dunn Library Board of Trustees with terms to expire June 30, 2024. **Motion unanimously approved.**

Council Goals/Reports

City Manager Neuschafer presented the reports for review. He updated Council that the paving will be completed on the street improvements as soon as the utility work is complete. Broad Street is not in the paving plan this year due to staff working with Wayne Avenue Shopping Center owners to work out a solution for the trucks blocking the streets during unloading. He also updated Council on the plans for the asphalt paver. Mayor Pro Tem Bradham encouraged Chief White to put bicycle officers on the Dunn-Erwin Rail Trail. Parks and Recreation Director McNeill gave a quick update on the Tart Park project. Council Members Sills thanked all the volunteers for participating in the Dunn Litter Sweep. He also talked about the flooding issues at Westhaven related to stormwater issues during the recent storm.

Motion by Council Member Sills and second by Council Member Gaulden to acknowledge receipt of the Council Goals/Reports. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Administrative Reports

Finance Director Roberts provided the following financial report for the period ending April 30, 2021:

- As of April 30, 2021, the General Fund and the Water-Sewer Fund had \$9,152,109 combined compared to \$7,175,161 in 2020.
- The City has received \$4,244,952 in Property Tax Revenue, approximately 103% of projected budget compared to \$4,097,735 last year.
- Sales Tax Revenue continues to be very strong with total receipts through February of \$1,749,193, a 5.9% increase from the same time last year, which totaled \$1,651,197.
- Utilities Sales Taxes for the first three quarters totaled \$491,922 compared to \$525,935 last year.
- Building Permit Fees for the month of April were \$19,286, with total of \$145,193 or 145% of budget compared to \$102,204 last year.
- Water and Sewer Revenues for the month of April were \$488,334, with total to-date of \$4,858,633 or 83% of budget compared to \$4,761,892 in 2020.
- General Fund expenditures in April were \$979,361 with total expensed to-date of \$9,767,569 or 83.7% of Budget compared to \$9,436,392 in 2020.
- The Water and Sewer fund expenditures in April were \$689,841 with total expensed to-date of \$5,027,063 or 68.9% of budget compared to \$4,371,348 in 2020. The benchmark for this period is 84% of budget.

He also reported on Debt Service and Liens and Assessments and updated Council that outstanding utility bills related to Covid-19 have been paid.

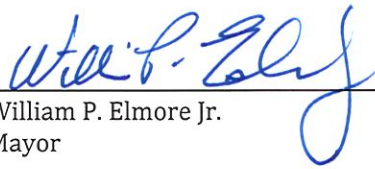
Reports were also received as follows: Communications/Public Information, Planning and Inspections Report, Public Works Report, Public Utilities Report, Parks and Recreation Report, Library Report and Police Report.

Motion by Council Member McLean and second by Council Member Gaulden to acknowledge receipt of Administrative Reports. **Motion unanimously approved.**

Announcements/Information

Mayor Pro Tem Bradham announced upcoming events and activities.

With no further business to discuss, motion by Council Member Sills and second by Council Member Gaulden to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 p.m. **Motion unanimously approved.**



William P. Elmore Jr.
Mayor

Attest:



Tammy Williams
City Clerk

