

**TOWN OF WEDDINGTON
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY AUGUST 10, 2020 – 7:00 P.M.
WEDDINGTON TOWN HALL*
1924 WEDDINGTON ROAD WEDDINGTON, NC 28104
AGENDA** *AMENDED AT MEETING*****

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Prayer – Chris Edwards – Graceway Baptist Church

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2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Determination of Quorum
4. Additions, Deletions and/or Adoption of the Agenda
5. Presentation from Union County Planning Department on Union County Land Use Plan Update
6. Mayor/Councilmember Reports
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- A. Approve Resolution 2020-05 to request DOT accept Graham Hall Court into State Maintained Secondary Road System
- B. Refund Temporary Use Application Fee for Lynn Hoosier, The Patriot Wagon
- C. Approve Ordinance O-2020-05 Authorizing the Establishment of a Special Revenue Fund for the Coronavirus Relief Fund to be executed if necessary
- D. Table Public Hearing for the Conditional Zoning Amendment for Christ South Phase 1 Building to September 14, 2020 7:00 p.m.
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 - A. July 13, 2020 Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes
 - B. July 21, 2020 Town Council Special Meeting Minutes
 - C. July 28, 2020 Town Council Special Meeting Minutes
11. Old Business
 - A. Consideration of Public Nuisance Text Amendment
12. New Business
 - A. Six-month Retreat Update
 - B. Annual Land Use Plan Review
 - C. Discussion and Consideration of Resolution of Intent to Create the Western Union Municipal Alliance and Adoption of Western Union Municipal Interlocal Agreement
 - D. Appointment of Representatives to the Western Union Municipal Alliance
13. Update from Town Planner
14. Code Enforcement Report
15. Update from Finance Officer and Tax Collector
16. Transportation Report
17. Council Comments
18. Adjournment

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1. Open the Meeting

Mayor Callis called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Council led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Determination of Quorum

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

Staff present: Town Administrator/Planner Lisa Thompson, Town Clerk Karen Dewey, Finance Officer Leslie Gaylord, Town Attorney Karen Wolter, and UCSO Deputy Jackson Hunt

Visitors: Pastor Chris Edwards, Bjorn Hansen, Kayla Hechtel

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

Staff requested to table item 9.A. Approve Resolution 2020-04 to request DOT accept Bromley Subdivision roads into State Maintained Secondary Road System to allow staff to review plans and the final plat to ensure the maintenance of two roads in the subdivision that NCDOT will not accept into the system due to the presence of a wooden bridge.

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Propst made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended
Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

5. Presentation from Union County Planning Department on Union County Land Use Plan Update

Union County Planner Bjorn Hansen gave an updated on the 2050 Union County Comprehensive Plan.

6. Mayor/Councilmember Reports

7. Public Comments

No public comments.

8. Public Safety Report

UCSO Deputy Jackson Hunt gave the public safety report: The Deputies would like to remind and encourage residents to lock their vehicles and homes, trim shrubs around windows, and be diligent. Please don't leave valuables in cars and obey the traffic laws. The Sheriff's office appreciates the residents of Weddington and all of Union County.

9. Consent Agenda

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Motion: Councilmember Perryman made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

10. Approval of Minutes

A. July 13, 2020 Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Propst made a motion to approve the July 13, 2020 Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.

Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

B. July 21, 2020 Town Council Special Meeting Minutes

Motion: Councilmember Perryman made a motion to approve the July 21, 2020 Town Council Special Meeting Minutes

Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

C. July 28, 2020 Town Council Special Meeting Minutes

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Propst made a motion to approve the July 28, 2020 Town Council Special Meeting Minutes

Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

11. Old Business

A. Consideration of Public Nuisance Text Amendment

establish a formal meeting schedule. He reiterated his appreciation for the staff and the support from the council.

Motion: Councilmember Perryman made a motion to approve the Resolution of Intent to Create the Western Union Municipal Alliance.

Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

Motion: Councilmember Perryman made a motion to adopt the Western Union Municipal Interlocal Agreement

Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

D. Appointment of Representatives to the Western Union Municipal Alliance

Mayor Callis stated that without objection from Council, she would like to appoint Councilmember Perryman as the delegate to the Western Union Municipal Alliance and Councilmember Pruitt as alternate delegate.

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Propst made a motion to appoint Councilmember Perryman as delegate to the Western Union Municipal Alliance and Councilmember Pruitt as alternate delegate.

Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

13. Update from Town Planner

Ms. Thompson gave a brief update: the area near Beulah Church Road and Waxhaw Indian Trail Road intersection will be closed from August 21 through August 23 to repair a gas line. Union County Public Works will make a water/sewer update presentation at the council September regular meeting.

14. Code Enforcement Report

No discussion.

15. Update from Finance Officer and Tax Collector

Ms. Gaylord presented the update. The Town still has not seen the expected decrease in sales tax revenue. Staff is closing out last fiscal year and financial matters are in good shape.

16. Transportation Report

No update this month. Next CRTPO meeting is August 19, 2020.

17. Council Comments

Councilmember Pruitt: I want to thank Mayor Callis and Councilman Perryman for all their work put into setting up the Western Union Municipal Interlocal Agreement. I am very excited and appreciate the opportunity to be involved with that. And thank you for everything the staff has done this month.

Ms. Thompson reviewed the Text Amendment: Council held a public hearing at the July regular meeting for a text amendment to Chapter 34 Article V section 34-131 *Property and Nuisance Abatement* to help mitigate issues that arise from property owners blocking natural drainage ways with yard waste and land clearing and causing stormwater back up.

Motion: Councilmember Perryman made a motion to approve a text amendment to Section 34-131 under Article V – Property and Nuisance Abatement.
Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

12. New Business

A. Six-month Retreat Update

Ms. Thompson presented an update on action items discussed at the Town Council Retreat:

- ETJ-the Western Union Municipal Alliance is forming, Town Attorney Karen Wolter provided an ETJ request letter from another jurisdiction that may help the town.
- Staff is working on the UDO. Two work sessions were held in July to discuss the scope of work and timeline. This will continue through the end of the year with Town Attorney Kevin Bringewatt presenting to the Planning Board at the August meeting and the Planning Board and Council reviewing changes and developments.
- Staff has developed a Burning Frequently Asked Questions list to post on the website.
- At the September meeting, Council will vote to extend the terms of the current Planning Board members due to expire in December 2020 to March 2021 to avoid the press of interviewing and appointing new members around election time and the holidays.
- Staff will move forward with bids for a grading plan for the park site once a topographical survey is completed. Plans have been made with the fire department to burn the structure when the temperatures cool.
- Staff continues efforts to get more information to residents posted through newsletters, town website and social media.

Mayor Callis would like the Council to consider a half day work session to follow up on some topics and to discuss progress on the park, stormwater, and tree ordinance and to prioritize other issues.

B. Annual Land Use Plan Review

Attached for the record.

C. Discussion and Consideration of Resolution of Intent to Create the Western Union Municipal Alliance and Adoption of Western Union Municipal Interlocal Agreement

Mayor Callis stated that Councilmember Perryman has been working on the ETJ issue and she has invited Indian Trail and Waxhaw to join the Western Union Municipal Alliance. Indian Trail has expressed interest and Mayor Pappas of Waxhaw has not yet responded.

Councilmember Perryman thanked the Mayor and the hard work of Ms. Thompson and Ms. Wolter. He would like to see this last and create lasting communication among the towns. He will work with staff to

Mayor Pro Tem Propst: Ditto. I'm excited about WUMA. I do want to make sure, because I think it's really a critical time, to thank our deputies and all men in blue in Union County that are serving. We are very fortunate to live in a relatively safe community. I do deeply appreciate all they do and all our public safety and all the things they do. Thank you staff for continued hard work through this time period and thank you to all the residents participating in our meeting tonight.

Councilmember Perryman: I'll say ditto to everything that's been said so far – and I'll add for those that may be watching now or those who decide to watch this a little bit later: The Western Union Municipal Alliance is going to really hinge on public support and public involvement. I would ask residents and fellow councilmembers and staff to help get the word out. The more people that know the more they will understand why it's important we all get together and tell the County Commissioners what we would like to do and not necessarily what they think we should be doing. Again, I refer people to go back to the video from the meeting a couple of days ago. If you're curious why I say that.

Mayor Callis: I will piggy back on Councilmember Perryman's comments and may just mention to staff that it may be a nice idea to send something out to residents letting them know what this WUMA is and that these are public meetings. They will be published as public meetings. Attendance is welcome. These will be held no different from council meetings. They'll just be a group of representatives from all towns working together. We certainly want to make sure residents are aware of what this alliance is and certainly welcome their attendance. Thanks to everybody watching. We're glad you're watching. Hopefully someday soon we'll be back in town hall. It's mighty quiet here all alone. So, thank you very much everybody. Thank you to our staff. Thank you to our attorney.

18. Adjournment

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Propst made a motion to adjourn the August 10, 2020 Regular Town Council Meeting at 8:16 p.m.

Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

Approved: Sept 14, 2020

Elizabeth Callis
Elizabeth Callis, Mayor

Karen Dewey
Karen Dewey, Town Clerk