

**TOWN OF WEDDINGTON**  
**REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MONDAY SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 – 7:00 P.M.**  
**WEDDINGTON TOWN HALL\***  
**1924 WEDDINGTON ROAD WEDDINGTON, NC 28104**  
**AGENDA\*\* AMENDED AT MEETING**

\* DUE TO THE CURRENT STATES OF EMERGENCY RELATED TO COVID-19, SOCIAL DISTANCING MEASURES WILL BE PRACTICED. TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF TOWN RESIDENTS, STAFF, AND TOWN COUNCIL, THE MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY AND LIVE STREAMED ON SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS. General Public Comments under agenda item 7 may be submitted in writing by September 14, 2020 by 4:00 PM. Please send all comments to [kdewey@townofweddington.com](mailto:kdewey@townofweddington.com).

Prayer – Ed Thomas, Spirit of Joy

1. Open the Meeting
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Determination of Quorum
4. Additions, Deletions and/or Adoption of the Agenda
5. Presentation from Union County Public Works
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9. Consent Agenda
  - A. Approve Proclamation P 2020-02 Recognizing September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week
  - B. Approve Proclamation P 2020-03 Recognizing October 4 through 10 as Fire Prevention Week
  - C. Approve Proclamation P 2020-04 Recognizing October as Domestic Abuse Awareness Month
  - D. Approve Budget Amendment for FY 2020-2021 for Revenues and Expenditures due to the CARES Act
  - E. Call for a Public Hearing to be held October 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at Weddington Town Hall for Christ South Lutheran Church Conditional Zoning Amendment for Phase 1
  - F. Approve Resolution 2020-06 to request DOT accept Bromley Subdivision roads into State Maintained Secondary Road System
- \*\* G. Call for a Special Meeting of the Weddington Town Council on Thursday, 17 September 2020 at 9:00 a.m. at Weddington Town Hall.
  
10. Approval of Minutes
  - A. August 10, 2020 Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes
11. Old Business
12. New Business
  - A. Discussion and Consideration of Renewal of Annexation Agreement with the Village of Marvin
  - B. Discussion and Consideration to Extend and permanently adjust all current Planning Board terms from December of expiration year to March of the following year
13. Update from Town Planner
14. Code Enforcement Report
15. Update from Finance Officer and Tax Collector
16. Transportation Report
17. Enter into Closed Session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a)(3): To Consult with an Attorney to protect the Attorney-Client Privilege
18. Council Comments
19. Adjournment

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**MINUTES  
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**1. Open the Meeting**

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

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Callis led the Pledge of Allegiance

**3. Determination of Quorum**

Quorum was determined with a roll call: Mayor Elizabeth Callis, Mayor Pro Tem Janice Propst, Councilmembers Jeff Perryman, Mike Smith, and Anne Pruitt were present.

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

Staff requested to add item 9.G. to the Consent Agenda: Call for a Special Meeting for a Work Session on Thursday, September 17, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. at Weddington Town Hall.

*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 Public Works**

Mr. Hyong Yi from Union County Public Works presented an update on projects and activities affecting Union County and the Town of Weddington including development in the Twelve Mile Creek Service area and an update on the west fork interceptor project, advance metering infrastructure and an interconnection with Charlotte water to help with water pressure in the area and a Town center Sewer Development Program that helps municipalities bring sewer to downtown. In addition, he explained that the Public Works master plan is an 18-month plan to review and update over the next 10 years. They will look at the county comprehensive plan for assumptions about growth and density and plan to meet with towns about their needs as a part of the planning process.

Councilmember Smith stated that he is in favor of meeting with Public Works and participating in the survey of towns.

Mayor Pro Tem Propst would like to participate in the county survey and help bring sewer to downtown. The town's only shopping center on private sewer system which inhibits development. Councilmember Perryman stated that he appreciated the presentation and he welcomes the county coming to do a study of the downtown area.

Councilmember Pruitt agreed and thanked Mr. Yi for presenting.

The Council agreed that the downtown has struggled with growth and after discussions with those that own the private septic system, having county sewer and water would help the area. Mr. Yi stated that he would work with Ms. Thompson to start the process.

## **6. Mayor/Councilmember Reports**

Councilmember Perryman reported on the initial Western Union Municipal Alliance (WUMA) meeting. He was elected as the Chairman and Amanda Fuller from Wesley Chapel was elected as the Vice Chairman. The next meeting is Thursday September 24 at 3:30 at Weddington Town Hall. They are working on how to work with the County regarding the 2050 Comprehensive Plan and how to express to the Board of County Commissioners what the western side of the county is looking for in new development and rezoning.

Mayor Pro Tem Propst reported that this Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup> is the drive up and drop off Shredding Event. If any Councilmembers would like to volunteer it will be held from 12 noon to 3pm. They are working on getting volunteers-adults as well as children. The event is sponsored by Truliant Federal Credit Union.

Mayor Callis shared a letter sent to the mayors and mayors pro tem of Weddington, Marvin, and Wesley Chapel from Chief McClendon. The Wesley Chapel Volunteer Fire Department has received a second FEMA grant for \$332,5000 to focus on recruitment and retention. This will be for enhancing current programs and creating new programs which will aid in long term retention. He is hoping to grow to 160+ members. Mayor Callis expressed her gratitude for the WCVFD and their hard work and congratulations for being awarded the grant.

## **7. Public Comments**

## **8. Public Safety Report**

Deputy Joseph Kropp gave the public safety report: There have been a number of vehicle break-ins throughout Weddington and surrounding areas. They are actively being investigated and UCSO encourages residents to stay alert and secure their vehicles. The majority of the break-ins involve unlocked cars.

There have also been traffic complaints on Providence Road and Weddington Church Road regarding speeding vehicles. There will be a saturation operation in the coming weeks.

## **9. Consent Agenda**

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Councilmember Pruitt asked if the Bromley HOA is looking for quotes to replace the timber bridges in the future since NCDOT is not accepting Fernhurst Terrance and Pondmeade Lane because of it. Ms. Thompson responded that she spoke with the HOA president and they are looking at a cost estimate to replace the timber bridge in the future and cost for continued maintenance of both. If the adjacent property is ever developed, NCDOT will have access to the cul de sac through there and could accept that road, but NCDOT won't accept the portion with the bridge.

Mayor Callis asked if NCDOT will consider maintenance of the Bromley roads with wooden bridges if the bridges were replaced. Ms. Thompson responded that if all other requirements for state maintenance were met, NCDOT would consider taking over maintenance.

**Motion:** Mayor Pro Tem Propst 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. August 10, 2020 Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes

**Motion:** Councilmember Pruitt made a motion to approve the August 10, 2020 Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes.

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

## 11. Old Business

## 12. New Business

### A. Discussion and Consideration of Renewal of Annexation Agreement with the Village of Marvin

Ms. Thompson presented the staff report: The Town of Weddington entered into an annexation agreement with the Village of Marvin in December 2000 and amended the agreement May 14, 2001. The agreement expires December 31, 2020. State Statute § 160A-58.23 allows two or more cities to enter into agreements in order to designate one or more areas which are not subject to annexation by any of the participating cities. The agreements shall be of reasonable duration, not to exceed 20 years, and shall be approved by ordinance of the governing board and executed by the mayor of each city and recorded in each participating municipality's minutes. Town staff asks if the Weddington Town Council intends to renew the agreement and if the boundaries are still appropriate. Upon Council agreement, Town staff will initiate the public hearing process required by Statute.

Councilmember Smith clarified that this was to stop any encroachment on the neighboring town. Councilmember Pruitt asked if this is like a "sphere of influence".

Ms. Thompson explained that it was more of a concern 20 years ago as towns had authority for involuntary annexation. Charlotte was moving south, and Waxhaw was moving north. Weddington was in the process of annexing areas and Marvin was attempting annexing an area. Councilmember Perryman stated that this is exactly the kind of agreement between municipalities that the Western Union Municipal Alliance is supporting, even if involuntary annexation doesn't happen anymore. It's good to have these boundaries even if not as necessary.

Council unanimously agreed to direct staff to proceed with the statutory requirements for the annexation agreement with Marvin with updated maps and current town boundaries.

**B. Discussion and Consideration to extend and permanently adjust all current Planning Board terms from December of expiration year to March of the following year**

Ms. Thompson presented the staff report: At the Retreat in February, Council discussed amending the Planning Board Rules of Procedure to extend term expiration dates to March following the existing December expiration dates in order to allow time for new Councilmembers to participate in interviews and the selection process. Council will need to vote to extend the terms of the current Planning Board Members and make new appointment terms run from March to March.

**Motion:** Mayor Pro Tem Propst made a motion to extend and permanently adjust all current Planning Board terms from December of expiration year to March of the following year.

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

**13. Update from Town Planner**

**14. Code Enforcement Report**

Mayor Callis expressed concern about 3343 Ironwood: Vehicle parked in the right of way for over 6 months. Ms. Thompson explained that it is not the property owner's vehicle and an intent to tow will be issued to the vehicle owner.

**15. Update from Finance Officer and Tax Collector**

Ms. Gaylord presented the Finance update: The Town is in the process of the FY20 audit. The auditor has been to town hall twice and has completed the field work. Staff anticipates the audit being wrapped up in October and will be presented to the Council.

**16. Transportation Report**

Mayor Callis reported that the NCDOT finances are still in rough shape. COVID-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on revenues for the state. At the Union County quarterly transportation meeting, Bjorn Hansen reported that there are 10-15 STIP projects that have been delayed in Union County. Two impact Weddington directly: Highway 16 with an estimated completion date of 2030 and Rea Road extension with an estimated completion date of 2032. The roundabout at Chestnut was scheduled to open has utility issues and will be open closer to the end of September.

**17. Enter into Closed Session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a)(3): To Consult with an Attorney to protect the Attorney-Client Privilege**

**Motion:** Mayor Pro Tem Propst made a motion to enter into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3): To consult with an attorney to protect the attorney client privilege.

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

Mayor Callis called the meeting back to order at 8:01 p.m.

**18. Council Comments**

Councilmember Pruitt: I thank everybody for being here tonight and hope everybody's staying safe and I look forward to seeing everyone in person very soon.

Mayor Pro Tem Propst: If there are residents attending tonight, thank you everybody for attending. I hope everybody is staying healthy and as safe as possible and I hope to see everybody very soon.

Councilmember Perryman: Thanks again to everybody. Thanks to staff once again for getting this technology together for us so we can get our business accomplished. And I'd like to extend an invitation to the WUMA meeting on September 24<sup>th</sup>. Meetings are open to the public and we'd love to see you there.

Councilmember Smith: I would like to echo everybody else's comments. Thank you everybody for joining the meeting and thanks to staff for their hard work.

Mayor Callis: Everybody else has expressed what I'd say. The shredding event-don't forget at noon on Saturday. Bring all your old papers and shred them, don't burn them!

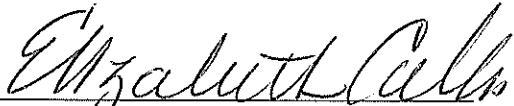
**19. Adjournment**

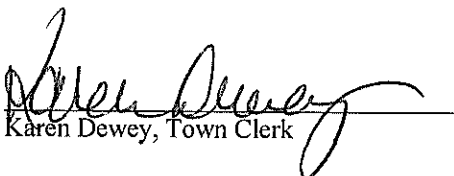
**Motion:** Mayor Pro Tem Propst made a motion to adjourn the September 14, 2020 Town Council Regular Meeting at 8:04 p.m.

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

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

*Oct 12, 2020*

  
Elizabeth Callis, Mayor

  
Karen Dewey, Town Clerk



**TOWN OF WEDDINGTON  
PROCLAMATION  
P-2020-02**

**WHEREAS**, The Constitution of the United States of America, the guardian of our liberties, embodies the principles of limited government in a Republic dedicated to rule by law; and

**WHEREAS**, September 17, 2020, marks the two hundred thirty third anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and

**WHEREAS**, It is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary, and to the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate it; and


**WHEREAS**, Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week,

**NOW, THEREFORE I**, Elizabeth Callis, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the Town of Weddington do hereby proclaim the week of September 17 through 23, 2020 as


**CONSTITUTION WEEK**

and ask our citizens to reaffirm the ideals the Framers of the Constitution had in 1787 by vigilantly protecting the freedoms guaranteed to us through this guardian of our liberties.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Weddington to be affixed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September 2020.

  
Elizabeth Callis, Mayor

*Attest:*

  
Karen Dewey, Town Clerk





**TOWN OF WEDDINGTON  
PROCLAMATION  
P-2020-03**

WHEREAS, the town of Weddington is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting Weddington; and

WHEREAS, fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, and homes are the locations where people are at greatest risk from fire; and

WHEREAS, home fires killed more than 2,630 people in the United States in 2017, according to the National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA®), and fire departments in the United States responded to 357,000 home fires; and

WHEREAS, cooking is the leading cause of home fires in the United States where fire departments responded to more than 173,200 annually between 2013 and 2017; and

WHEREAS, two of every five home fires start in the kitchen with 31% of these fires resulting from unattended cooking; and

WHEREAS, more than half of reported non-fatal home cooking fire injuries occurred when the victims tried to fight the fire themselves; and

WHEREAS, children under five face a higher risk of non-fire burns associated with cooking than being burned in a cooking fire

WHEREAS, Weddington residents should stay in the kitchen when frying food on the stovetop, keep a three-foot kid-free zone around cooking areas and keep anything that can catch fire away from stove tops; and

WHEREAS, residents who have planned and practiced a home fire escape plan are more prepared and will therefore be more likely to survive a fire; and

WHEREAS, working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half; and



WHEREAS, Weddington first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education; and

WHEREAS, Weddington residents are responsive to public education measures and are able to take personal steps to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes; and

WHEREAS, the 2020 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen!" effectively serves to remind us to stay alert and use caution when cooking to reduce the risk of kitchen fires.

THEREFORE, I, Elizabeth Callis, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the Town of Weddington, do hereby proclaim October 4-10, 2020, as

### **FIRE PREVENTION WEEK**

and I urge all the people of Weddington to check kitchens for fire hazards and use safe cooking practices during Fire Prevention Week 2020 and throughout the year, and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of fire and emergency services in Weddington and throughout Union County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Weddington to be affixed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September 2020.

  
Elizabeth Callis, Mayor

*Attest:*

  
Karen Dewey, Town Clerk



**TOWN OF WEDDINGTON  
PROCLAMATION  
P-2020-04**

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence affects all Union County residents, and far too many people suffer abuse at the hands of a spouse, partner, parent, child, or sibling; these victims can be of any age, race, religion, or economic status and the resulting damage is inflicted not only on the victims, but their children, families, and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence includes not only physical but also mental abuse, emotional abuse, financial abuse, sexual abuse, and isolation; and

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence is widespread, including one in four families is impacted by domestic violence with an annual cost Union County of \$11,688,756; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the North Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence, there have been 1,369 women, men, and children murdered as a result of domestic violence since January 1, 2002 in North Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the North Carolina Council for Women, domestic violence programs across the state responded to over 112,860 crisis calls and provided services to over 60,301 victims last year; and

**WHEREAS**, the key to prevention is education, community awareness, having zero tolerance for domestic violence, and requiring accountability by the abuser; and


**WHEREAS**, Union County recognizes the importance of having collaborations by multiple partners to promote social norms, policies and laws that support gender equity and foster intimate partnerships based on mutual respect, equality, and trust; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved that I, Elizabeth Callis, Mayor of the Town of Weddington, do hereby proclaim October 2020 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Union County and urge all citizens to support this observance. I further urge our citizens to increase their awareness and education of this destructive force which deeply affects a large number of families in our State each year and to become part of the efforts to stop violence in families.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Weddington to be affixed this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of September 2020.

  
Elizabeth Callis, Mayor

Attest:

  
Karen Dewey, Town Clerk

**TOWN OF WEDDINGTON  
 AMENDED BUDGET  
 FYE 6/30/2021**

**Tax Rate 5.2 cents**

**ORIGINAL  
 BUDGET**

**AMENDED  
 BUDGET**

<b>Revenues</b>			
Ad Valorem Taxes		\$ 1,257,250	\$ 1,257,250
State-Collected Revenues		855,000	855,000
Zoning and Subdivision Revenues		\$ 78,500	\$ 78,500
Other Revenues		\$ 8,500	\$ 8,500
CARES Revenues			\$ 18,220 {A}
<b>Total Revenues</b>		<b>\$ 2,199,250</b>	<b>\$ 2,217,470</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>			
Administrative Expenditures		\$ 523,740	\$ 523,740
Planning and Zoning Expenditures		647,460	647,460
Planning & Zoning - CARES			\$ 18,220 {A}
General Government Expenditures		1,217,050	1,217,050
<b>Total Expenditures</b>		<b>\$ 2,388,250</b>	<b>\$ 2,406,470</b>
<b>Total Fund Balance Appropriation</b>		<b>\$ 189,000</b>	<b>\$ 189,000</b>

{A} CARES funding to be received from County to assist with COVID-19 related expenditures

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

**R-2020-06**

**North Carolina**

**County of Union**

**Road Descriptions: Bromley Drive, Highbury Place, and Delaney Drive in the Bromley 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 map, 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 14h day of September 2020.

  
Elizabeth Callis, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Karen Dewey, Town Clerk