

**TOWN OF WEDDINGTON  
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY JANUARY 10, 2022 – 7:00 P.M.  
WEDDINGTON TOWN HALL  
1924 WEDDINGTON ROAD WEDDINGTON, NC 28104  
AGENDA**

Prayer

1. Open the Meeting
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Determination of Quorum
4. Additions, Deletions and/or Adoption of the Agenda
5. Mayor/Councilmember Reports
6. Public Comments
7. Public Safety Report
8. Consent Agenda
  - A. Amend the 2022 Town Council Regular Meeting Schedule to add Council Retreat Meeting to be held at Rolling Hills Country Club on Tuesday, January 25, 2022 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
  - B. December 13, 2021 Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes
9. Old Business
  - A. Update on Solid Waste Contract Negotiations with Active Waste
10. New Business
  - A. Discussion and Consideration of additional funding requested by NCDOT for Tilley Morris Roundabout
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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Prayer-Jan Taylor

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Horn called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Council led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Determination of Quorum**

Quorum was determined with all Councilmembers present: Mayor Craig Horn, Mayor Pro Tem Janice Propst, Councilmembers Brannon Howie, Anne Pruitt, and Jeff Perryman

Staff present: Town Administrator/Clerk Karen Dewey, Finance Officer Leslie Gaylord, Town Attorneys Jennifer Nancarrow and via Zoom Karen Wolter

Visitors: Bill Deter, Nancy Anderson, Jim Vivian, Jan Taylor, Dennis Taylor, Mike Morse, Tom Smith, Tracy Stone.

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

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

**5. Mayor/Councilmember Reports**

Councilmember Perryman reported that the January Western Union Municipal Alliance meeting will be held on Thursday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. at Weddington Town Hall. The agenda will include a discussion on extra-territorial jurisdiction and sphere of influence over the unincorporated parcels in and surrounding the town.

Mayor Horn reported that the NC Department of Revenue is accepting applications for business recovery grants for those hit hard by the pandemic. There is more information available on the Department of Revenue website. Mayor Horn also reported that he attended the CRTPO Orientation meeting last week and there will be opportunities for public input on regional transportation plans that will be posted on the Town website. Mayor Horn announced that he plans to start a once a month "Coffee with the Mayor" meeting as an opportunity for residents to come in and talk.

**6. Public Comments**

Bill Deter, 401 Havenchase Drive. Mr. Deter spoke to request funds from the Town of Weddington in support of the Wesley Chapel Weddington Athletic Association (WCWAA). He reminded Council that before 2009 the Town gave an average of \$26,000 a year to the WCWAA. He stated his hope that Council would discuss a donation at the Council Retreat.

Nancy Anderson, 13624 Providence Road. Ms. Anderson stated her agreement with Mr. Deter's request as the Town doesn't provide parks and recreation facilities to residents. She stated her support of a solid waste contract with Active Waste. Ms. Anderson asserted that with the delays to the Rea Road Extension, it should be a priority to manage traffic by resolving intersection issues on 84. She agrees with giving additional funds to NCDOT to complete work and suggested that the Council research entering the Powell Bill program. She closed her public comment by asking Council to resolve the Providence Volunteer Fire Department lawsuit.

## 7. Public Safety Report

On December 31, 2021, UCSO received multiple reports of mail stolen from residential mailboxes in two Weddington neighborhoods overnight. UCSO is currently investigating these reports and residents are urged to use the USPS Informed Delivery Program, check their mail daily, and place it on hold if going out of town. On January 5, 2022, UCSO deputies and criminal investigators responded to a residence in the 6000 block of Bluebird Hill Lane in Weddington to investigate a breaking and entering incident. The 911 caller/homeowner provided information that the suspect, a known family member, broke into their home and made threats of violence toward them. During the break-in, the homeowner equipped himself with a shotgun and fired one round at the suspect, striking him in the leg. The suspect fled the scene and was eventually located by CMPD and UCSO deputies just over the county line on Providence Road. The suspect in this case has been identified as Tony Sanders II of Charlotte, NC.

In September of 2021 during a separate incident, Tony Sanders II was formally notified by UCSO deputies that he was not allowed to return to the Bluebird Hill Lane residence. Sanders has been arrested on at least two other occasions since 2019 for breaking into the residence on Bluebird Hill Lane. Tony Sanders II was treated at the hospital for his wound and discharged where he was subsequently arrested by UCSO deputies and charged with one count of Felony Breaking and Entering with the Intent to Terrorize or Injure Occupant and one count of Second-Degree Trespass. The victims/homeowners in this case were uninjured during the incident. Sheriff Cathey adds "I am glad that the homeowners were not hurt during this incident and that they were prepared to protect themselves. The investigation into this incident was handled professionally and efficiently and this family can rest a little easier knowing that the suspect is in our jail". The investigation into this matter is ongoing.

## 8. Consent Agenda

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

## 9. Old Business

### A. Update on Solid Waste Contract Negotiations with Active Waste

Ms. Wolter reviewed the Solid Waste Contract negotiations with Active Waste. The material terms in the contract were published with the RFP almost a year ago. There were modifications to liquidated damages to provide provisions for enforceable damages. This will allow the Town to set off actual damages from the monthly payments. Staff has amended the fuel surcharge paragraph for any fluctuation in fuel cost to be based on a gas price index. Active staff is reviewing the contract. Once reviewed by Council, the proposed contract will be posted on the website.

## **10. New Business**

### **A. Discussion and Consideration of additional funding requested by NCDOT for Tilley Morris Roundabout**

Ms. Dewey presented the staff report: In 2017, the Town agreed to financially contribute to a roundabout at Tilley Morris. NCDOT has asked if the Town is willing to provide an additional \$78,057 toward a shortfall to complete the project. If the Town agrees, NCDOT will advertise for construction in April, let in May, and plan for construction to start in June. The federal funds will not be authorized without the additional contribution.

Mayor Pro Tem Propst spoke with Sean Epperson, the NCDOT project team leader. He stated that the main expense for the project was right of way cost. When Union Day School was approved, one of the conditions for the zoning was that the school would give the right of way for the project, however when ROW acquisition came about, Union Day would not give the right of way. The end result was that NCDOT had to spend extra funds to purchase the right of way. The Council discussed the issue of the County pursuing action against Union Day and pressing the county for funding. Ms. Wolter explained that if the condition was illegal, that would not be enforceable. The Council will consider the additional funds at the February meeting.

## **11. Update from Town Planner**

No new updates.

## **12. Code Enforcement Report**

Monthly report in the packet.

## **13. Update from Finance Officer and Tax Collector**

Ms. Gaylord presented the update. Financial statements are in the packet. The audit report for 2020-2021 will be presented in February. A preliminary budget will be discussed at the Council Retreat.

## **14. Transportation Report**

Mayor Horn reported that the CRTPO will have an open comment period for the MTP and staff will get links on website.

## **15. Council Comments**

Councilmember Perryman: I want to thank all the folks that decided to come out and spend Monday night with us. It is nice to have folks here. I appreciate the comments from everybody. The next WUMA meeting is on the 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. here at Town Hall. We're going to continue ETJ discussion. I hope everybody will have a healthier 2022 as we get started and move forward. Thanks again to town staff for their hard work.

Councilmember Pruitt: I second that. Thanks to you guys for coming out tonight. We appreciate it and thank you staff for all your hard work. I'm looking forward to a good 2022.

Mayor Pro Tem Propst: I third that. Thank you everybody and thanks to staff and we've got a new hire at the fro desk who is working hard. Thanks to Leslie's daughter for standing in. Welcome to 2022 everybody. Stay healthy.

Councilmember Howie: Thanks for coming out and thank you to those that came out and spoke their piece. And thank you to the staff.

Mayor Horn: Thank you all very much.

#### 16. Adjournment

**Motion:** Mayor Pro Tem Propst made a motion to adjourn at 7:52 p.m.

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

Approved: February 14, 2022

Karen Dewey  
Karen Dewey, Town Administrator/Clerk

Craig Horn  
Craig Horn, Mayor