

**TOWN OF WEDDINGTON  
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2014 - 7:00 P.M.  
MINUTES**

The Town Council of the Town of Weddington, North Carolina, met in a Regular Session at the Weddington Town Hall, 1924 Weddington Road, Weddington, NC 28104 on June 9, 2014, with Mayor Bill Deter presiding.

Present: Mayor Bill Deter, Mayor Pro Tem Don Titherington, Councilmembers Michael Smith, Pamela Hadley and Barbara Harrison, Attorney Anthony Fox, Finance Officer Leslie Gaylord, Town Planner Julian Burton and Town Administrator Amy McCollum

Absent: None

Visitors: Craig Hazeltine, Tyler Sommers, Mike Hucks, Nathan Campbell, Judi Abbott, Steven Carow, Daryl Matthews, Jane Duckwall, Nathan Campbell, Andrew Stallings, Matthew Delk, Bob Lockerman, Andrew Moore, Michael H., Tracey Stone, Elton Hardy, Andrew Oliphant, Bill Snider, Monica Snider, Bill Carter, Marcea Wolf-Carter, Ed Seeley, Peter Griffith, Garret Tommasulo and Steven G.

Mayor Bill Deter offered the Invocation prior to the opening of the meeting.

**Item No. 1. Open the Meeting.** Mayor Deter called the June 9, 2014 Regular Town Council Meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

**Item No. 2. Pledge of Allegiance.** Mayor Deter led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Item No. 3. Determination of Quorum.** There was a quorum.

Councilwoman Barbara Harrison introduced Mr. Tyler Sommers to the Council and audience. She advised that Mr. Sommers is an intern for the Town and is going to assist with historic projects.

**Item No. 4. Presentations.**

**A. Union County Drug Court Foundation – Mr. Mike Hucks and Mr. Nathan Campbell.** Mr. Mike Hucks spoke to the Town Council regarding the Union County Drug Court Foundation and advised that the State Legislature has cut their funding. He stated, “Treatment Courts are very effective. The cost lies in the treatment part of the program. All of the judges are already paid by us. They are just taking part of their time and devoting to this particular court. Part of our outreach is education and the other part is to continue to fund the program so that it stays in Union County and it allows the opportunity to work with the hard core offenders so we can move from the consequences of their action to prevention. The point of the exercise is to get them through a treatment program. We are applying for another grant through the Justice Department. We are going to communities in Union County and the ABC Boards soliciting funds.”

Mr. Nathan Campbell also spoke to the Council regarding his experience in a similar program in New York State and the difference in jail time versus what someone could get through the Drug Court Program.

The following PowerPoint Presentation was provided to the Town Council:

**Union County Drug Courts**

Union County DWI Treatment Court

- Established in October 2010
- Focus on hardcore repeat DWI offenders

- Goals are to increase public safety and decrease recidivism
- Initially funded by a 3 year grant through Bureau of Justice

#### Eligibility Criteria

- Hardcore repeat DWI offender
- No convictions for violent felonies or trafficking or sale of a controlled substance
- No previous participation in a DWI Court Program
- No substantial mental health problems that prohibit their productive participation in program
- Resident of Union County

#### Participant Requirements

- Participants must:
  - Attend treatment/community support meetings
  - Comply with probation
  - Attend court on a bi-weekly basis
  - Submit to random searches and drug screens

#### The Cost Incentive

- Nationwide, for every \$1 invested in Drug Court taxpayers save up to \$3.36 in avoided criminal justice costs
- The average cost of one year in NC prisons per inmate = \$27,747
- The average cost of one year participation in Union County DWI Treatment Court per participant = \$4,640
- Total possible savings per participant = \$23,107

#### Statistics

- 102 referrals since October 2010 made by client attorneys or sentencing Judge
- 78 admitted to program
  - 17 successful graduates
  - ALL gainfully employed
  - 1 enrolled in college level courses
  - 1 gained stable housing for first time
  - 1 regained legal custody of children
- Maximum of active participants at one time is 25

#### Union County DWI Treatment Court is a Team Effort!

##### Team Members

- Treatment Providers
  - Defense Attorneys
  - District Attorney's Office
  - Jail Services
  - Probation
  - Judges
  - Participants
- All positions are a "time match" or volunteer

#### Case Reviews

- Participant case reviews take place prior to each court session
- All team members are welcomed to provide information on participant progress or voice concerns
- Team staffings allow for creative sanctions and incentives to be developed

## Court Incentives and Sanctions

### Incentives

Participants are recognized for progress in the program. Incentives include:

- “A – Team” \*
- Transportation Vouchers
- Modification of probation requirements
- Other small rewards as available (gift cards, movie tickets, etc.) \*

### Sanctions

- Participants are held accountable for negative actions. Sanctions include:
- Increased community support meeting attendance
- Increased treatment
- Extended intensive probation
- Jail time

## Steps Toward Completion

- Participants must complete 3 phases for a successful completion of the program
- Each phase lasts 120-180 days

### Phase I

- Attend substance abuse treatment three times a week for a total of nine hours a week
- Daily contact with Court Coordinator
- Attends community support meetings at least twice a week
- Bi-weekly court reviews
- Obtain a sponsor who will assist and support participant through the recovery process
- A minimum of 30 days drug free to move to next phase

### Phase II

- Attend substance abuse treatment twice a week for a total of four hours per week
- Contact Court Coordinator three times per week
- Attend at least three community support meetings per week
- Monthly court reviews
- Noticeable increase in personal accountability by increasing community support and decreasing court and treatment contact

### Phase III

- Attend substance abuse treatment aftercare once a week for two hours
- Contact Court Coordinator three times per week
- Attend at least four community support meetings per week
- Monthly court reviews
- Personal accountability continues to increase with decreased treatment and court contacts

## A Successful Graduate Has...

- Completed treatment
- Obtained a sponsor
- Up to 360 days of drug and alcohol free time
- Complied with probation
- Worked toward personal goals identified in beginning of the program

## A Portrait of a Successful Graduate – Results in my life...

- “I nearly gave everything up for alcohol. I was just being selfish and today that is not true. Sobriety is for me! Some things are worth more than money.”

- “This program works! It has brought back my family, health, and spirituality.”
- “It is a privilege to be in the DWI Court program. And when thought of in that perspective, it saved my life!
- “I lost both of my parents in one month while in this program. Due to the support of all involved I did not drink or drug. Now to me, that is an accomplishment! Yes, that is me... a success after all!”
- “I have a house, I have a job, and I have the love of my family. I have my life back.”

#### The Scope of the Problem

July 2012-June 2013

- 538 Total DWI convictions
- 151 Hardcore offenders (Level 1 and 2)
- 23 Referrals
- 21 Eligible

The Town Council also received a copy of a brochure regarding the Union County DWI Treatment Court Program.

**B. Turning Point – Ms. Judi Abbott.** Ms. Judi Abbott stated, “We are the only domestic violence shelter here in Union County. One out of four families is affected by domestic violence. Our motto is love does not have to hurt. It is a cycle. If it is all you know – how do you know any different? Our goal is to make them productive citizens and to get out of the abuse. We are there to hold their hand but they do the work. We provide them with three hot meals a day and snacks. The kids go to school and the family gets clothing and we will help them furnish their house. We do all of this for free. There is no charge to our clients. We are trying really hard to be self sufficient. We have three thrift stores. It takes a woman five to seven times to leave. We currently have eight women and 19 children in the shelter today. We are making the rounds to ask for funding in the amount of \$1,000 which would feed a child three hot meals and three snacks a day for 100 days. We do not kick anyone out and we have an 83% success rate. Union County Schools has finally given us permission to get into the schools to work with teens. We do not have enough money for the brochures and not enough volunteers.”

Councilwoman Pamela Hadley congratulated them on what they are doing and praised their boutique on Providence Road and encouraged people to recycle some of their gently used items

The Town Council received a copy of a brochure regarding Turning Point and the following letter dated May 6, 2013 from Ms. Judi Abbott:

During the past year Turning Point, served 319 victims (289 from Union County), received 199 crisis calls, provided 4,923 bed nights, 267,180 meals, 738 hours of counseling and 2,066 hours of court advocacy and legal services. We do this all without charging our clients anything. 83% of the women completing our programs one year ago are now living violence free and are productive members of the community. In 2014-2015 we will continue to provide the same quality and level of services and we anticipate serving approximately the same number of people.

We believe that love doesn’t have to hurt.

As Union County’s only domestic violence shelter, Turning Point also serves as a community link for other agencies serving victims of domestic abuse. Police answering domestic violence calls often refer or bring victims to our doors; clergy, school officials and the Department of Social Services also depend on Turning Point to serve their customers. The need is there. In 2013, Union County police departments answered more than 1,500 domestic violence calls and the Sheriff’s department served more than 800 restraining orders.

Town support is important in two ways: First, you help make it possible for us to provide families in crisis with a warm bed, daily meals and snacks, clothing, toiletries, and basic essentials. Secondly, you help strengthen our

community by giving families the chance to build more stable, productive lives. Domestic violence often divides and isolates families making it very difficult for them to help themselves. As Union county's only shelter for victims of domestic violence, we are often the only support system for a family trying to break free and start over.

At this time, Turning Point is making a funding request of \$1,000.00 from the Town of Weddington. It costs \$10.00 per day to feed a small child in the shelter 3 meals and 3 snacks. Your \$1,000.00 donation will feed a child for 100 days.

Turning Point is committed to breaking the cycle of domestic violence. We thank you in advance for being our partner in building better, brighter futures for the families breaking free of abuse.

**Item No. 5. Public Comments.**

Mr. Matthew Delk – I want to say congratulations to the newly elected public servants here in Weddington as well as those who have been serving for a while. Thank you for all you do to represent us here in Union County. I wanted to urge you as you develop your vision of governance here in Weddington that you will remember those residents who are affected often by the second, third and fourth order of the effects of the decisions you make right here. I was never prouder as a citizen of Weddington as when this Town Council stepped forward and took an important step to enhance our public safety and our fire protection. That meant a lot to a lot of people that we have enhanced services for those times we hope that we will never need them. Secondly, I would like you to consider the effects of further development particularly in certain areas in two different respects. The first is travel and transportation and the safety of our roadways. One problem that the Town of Weddington inherited when the Town was founded many years ago was that this was largely pastureland and farm land and many of the roads were developed improperly. They were just paved over roads that were designed to bear light loads of traffic traveling at slow speeds on unimproved surfaces. The road that I live on, Antioch Church Road, is a prime example of that. Many of my neighbors may disagree with me but I would never begrudge taxes to go for a purpose that supports us all and it may be something that you may wish to look at in future budget years the feasibility of exercising your responsibility or right as a municipality to develop and make our roads safer. You may be well aware that it takes a tremendous amount of time to go through MUMPO or other planning agencies to get allocations to fix roads. We are often times outvoted on projects that are sorely needed in this part of the County.

**Item No. 6. Additions, Deletions and/or Adoption of the Agenda.** Councilwoman Hadley moved to approve the June 9, 2014 Regular Town Council agenda as presented. All were in favor, with votes recorded as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Harrison, Hadley, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Titherington  
NAYS: None

**Item No. 7. Approval of Minutes.**

**A. May 12, 2014 Regular Town Council Meeting Minutes.** Mayor Pro Tem Don Titherington moved to approve the May 12, 2014 Regular Town Council Meeting minutes. All were in favor, with votes recorded as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Harrison, Hadley, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Titherington  
NAYS: None

**Item No. 8. Consent Agenda (Public Hearings to be held July 14, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Weddington Town Hall).**

**A. Call for Public Hearing to Review and Consider – Weddington United Methodist Church Conditional Zoning Application.** The Town Council received a copy of the Conditional Zoning Application. Councilwoman Harrison moved to call for a public hearing to review and consider the Weddington UMC Conditional Zoning Application. The public hearing is to be held July 14, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Weddington Town Hall. All were in favor, with votes recorded as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Harrison, Hadley, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Titherington  
NAYS: None

**B. Call for Public Hearing to Review and Consider - Text Amendment (Homeowners Association and Street Maintenance - Within Checklist).** The Town Council received a copy of the proposed text amendment. Councilwoman Harrison moved to call for a public hearing to review and consider the proposed text amendment. The public hearing is to be held July 14, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Weddington Town Hall. All were in favor, with votes recorded as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Harrison, Hadley, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Titherington  
NAYS: None

**C. Call for Public Hearing to Review and Consider - Text Amendment (Notification Submitted to Facilities Director of UCPS of all Proposed Major Subdivisions - Within Checklist).** The Town Council received a copy of the proposed text amendment. Councilwoman Harrison moved to call for a public hearing to review and consider the proposed text amendment. The public hearing is to be held July 14, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Weddington Town Hall. All were in favor, with votes recorded as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Harrison, Hadley, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Titherington  
NAYS: None

**D. Consideration of SR-2 Resolution for Eliah Drive and Park Rose Lane in the Sanctuary at Weddington Subdivision.** The Town Council received a copy of a letter and application dated May 28, 2014 from NCDOT requesting Eliah Drive and Park Rose Lane in the Sanctuary at Weddington Subdivision to be recommended for addition to the State Maintained Secondary Road System.

Councilwoman Harrison moved to approve Resolution R-2014-02:

**NORTH CAROLINA STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
REQUEST FOR ADDITION TO STATE MAINTAINED SECONDARY ROAD SYSTEM  
TOWN OF WEDDINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA  
R-2014-02**

**North Carolina  
County of Union**

**Road Description: Eliah Drive and Park Rose Lane in the Sanctuary at Weddington Subdivision in the Town of Weddington, 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014.

All were in favor, with votes recorded as follows:

AYES:	Councilmembers Harrison, Hadley, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Titherington
NAYS:	None

**Item No. 9. Public Hearings and Consideration of Public Hearings.**

**A. Public Hearing - Annexation Agreement Between the Town of Weddington, Village of Marvin, City of Charlotte and the Town of Stallings.** The Town Council received a copy of the current Annexation Agreement dated July 1, 2004 and a copy of the proposed updated 10-year Annexation Agreement. The effective date of the proposed Annexation Agreement would be July 1, 2014. Mayor Deter opened the public hearing.

Attorney Fox - This is a public hearing on an Annexation Agreement that has been proposed by the City of Charlotte for territory that lies between Mecklenburg County and Union County. The purpose of the Annexation Agreement is to set forth terms under which parties would govern their behavior. In this case the City would agree not to annex certain territories within three miles into Union County and affecting territory that Weddington may in the future seek to annex and include as part of its corporate limits. In exchange Weddington would agree to not to annex any territory that is in Mecklenburg County that could be a part of the City of Charlotte. There is a map that was included which shows the current corporate limits of the Town of Weddington and the City of Charlotte. There is nothing in North Carolina General Statutes that prohibits a city from crossing county lines. It is common for communities to enter into these agreements to set out rules under which all parties will be governed. There has been a change in North Carolina annexation statutes that makes it more difficult for involuntary annexations to occur. The ability for each of these communities to involuntary annex these areas are more difficult now than ever. However, there is still the prospect. There still could be a prospect where the legislature could approve one of these communities to annex that territory. The Annexation Agreement is still relevant and important and provides for a planned approach to these territories. This is a 10-year agreement and it did not change much from last time. The City of Charlotte has already adopted their version of this agreement.

With there being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Deter closed the public hearing.

**B. Consideration of Annexation Agreement Between the Town of Weddington, Village of Marvin, City of Charlotte and the Town of Stallings.** Councilwoman Hadley asked how hard it would be to attach a map to the agreement that describes Area A and B.

Attorney Fox – There is a legal description attached. The City of Charlotte has already adopted the agreement and that would require us going back to them.

Councilwoman Harrison moved to approve the Annexation Agreement. All were in favor, with votes recorded as follows:

AYES:	Councilmembers Harrison, Hadley, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Titherington
NAYS:	None

**C. Public Hearing to Review Text Amendment Proposal – Conservation Subdivision Sideyard.** The Town Council received a copy of an email dated June 3, 2014 from Mark Kime requesting a deferral of this proposed text amendment to the July 14, 2014 Town Council Meeting. Mayor Deter opened the public hearing.

Town Planner Julian Burton - The applicant representing the developer for the Withrow Property has proposed a text amendment to Section 58-58 with regards to sideyard regulations in Residential Conservation Districts. What the proposed change would be is changing from a flexible 5 to 25 foot sideyard setback in R-CD with 30 total feet of separation for principal buildings and adjacent lots to a fixed 10-foot sideyard setback with 20 feet total separation between principal buildings and adjacent lots. This would not change the total yield in R-CD

subdivisions. It would not allow developers to increase the number of lots. The minimum lot width would also remain the same at 80 feet wide. It would just increase the buildable lot area slightly on average for all of the lots.

Mayor Deter - Right now our ordinance requires 30 feet between two houses – it could be 5 and 25, 10 and 20, 15 and 15 so any of those variations but it has to be 30 feet total. The proposal is to make it 10 and 10 for a total of 20 versus a total of 30. This would just apply in the Town of Weddington going forward.

Mayor Pro Tem Titherington – To clarify, this is a proposal that a developer brought because he has the right to go through the process.

Town Planner Burton – The applicant did request a deferral for at least a month. It was communicated to him that the deferral would be granted.

Attorney Fox – There is in the packet a request from the applicant for a deferral and that is a discretionary act of the Council on whether to grant the deferral or not. If the Council was to grant that request I would suggest that the Council continue the public hearing and not close the public hearing if that is the case.

Mr. Matthew Delk – Thank you for having an open and transparent government. I have seen enough local governments that begrudgingly hold public comment periods. I appreciate the fact that you are very interested in what we have to say as citizens. We have tremendous public safety concerns on decreasing setbacks. We have invested as a Town a tremendous amount of time and effort in building up and improving fire services and in controlling and making local fire service decisions a local matter here for us in the Town of Weddington. I was a firefighter before in the military. When you put buildings closer together you exponentially increase not only the public safety response requirements that our friends in the fire service have but you also greatly increase the risk of property damage as well as damage to lives. I have seen a fully engaged house fire melt the vinyl and damage the structure of the building 30 to 40 feet away. You are talking about much closer proximity here depending on the style of construction and the speed of the fire. Anything closer also enhances the likelihood of closer proximity of road miles traveled versus stops and starts. I think that a project like this could go through enough plat revisions that in the future a decreased setback will increase the potential for buildable lots. A great public safety requirement for us also is Antioch Church Road. I would like to ask you to consider that during the budget time and I will bring up more thoughts on how we can mitigate that as a Town Council if this moves forward with our Town budget. We are all concerned about the school redistricting. Anything that increases the potential for more buildable lots puts us in a precarious position. I know that a lot of children would be heartbroken if they had to move to another school.

Mr. Ed Seeley – It is my understanding that Toll Brothers is proposing decreasing the space between the Antioch Woods Subdivision and their development. Is that part of that activity? That is what the public comment was in our neighborhood and that it would be addressed here tonight. I do not see it reflected in this.

Town Planner Burton – This is dealing specifically just with the setbacks. We have one submittal for a sketch plan. I am not sure who the builder is. I do not know about any type of decrease between Antioch Woods and the proposed development from what I have seen.

Mr. Seeley – It was our understanding that they have a 30 foot boundary between our existing houses on Antioch Woods Lane and the Toll Brothers development.

Town Planner Burton - I have not seen anything that would say that.

Mr. Seeley – Is that development addressed through the Planning Department?

Town Planner Burton - We have just received a sketch plan. It has not been reviewed by the Planning Board yet.



Mr. Bob Lockerman – The one thing that we are aware of is the size and scope of this development is 185 lots. That might be the largest one in Weddington.

Councilwoman Harrison advised that Highgate had 234 homes and Providence Woods has 300+ homes.

Mr. Lockerman – It is one of the larger R-CD subdivisions. I am worried about giving a builder too much leeway when you are going to be bringing in 185 homes which will be a large impact. Now they are requesting a variance on something in R-CD when R-CD is a variance in itself. We created R-CD to assist builders to develop lots in areas that are difficult to develop and to create a conservation district and yet a developer is saying that is not good enough. I think we made it good enough. I think Weddington has proposed and provided good enough boundaries to say ‘build under these constraints or build elsewhere.’ I would encourage this Council to say these are the rules. If we allow these folks to change the rules for this development you basically open the door and have to change for every other development.

Mrs. Marcea Wolf-Carter – I want to thank you for the opportunity to speak. I have the same concerns that Mr. Delk has about what will happen on Antioch Church Road. I don’t know if you have ever driven down that road at 11:00 at night but the minute the sun goes down the deer start going across. If we put 185 homes right in between us and Antioch Woods we need to be responsible for what that road does. Although I do not have school aged children any more it is a concern for me. We may eventually retire and want to sell the house we are in now. I have a concern at the lack of clarity. Is the setback going to be changed? The language is so obscure and has so much jargon in it. I do not know when to raise my hand and yell and I did not learn that from being here today. I don’t know if I can go through the plans. I want to be educated in the process and be responsible. There are two things that have been said that are disturbing to me. One is that the whole property goes on one side of Antioch Church Road and the other side of Antioch Church Road. If you relate to the property as a whole piece you could put the houses really close together on this side of the road and far apart on that side of the road. You can jam it all together over here and sell big lots over there. I don’t know if that is true but that is what I have heard. I don’t know how far my property line is from where they are building and I don’t know how to find out. My understanding was that it was going to be a 100 foot setback and now it is a 30 foot setback. It is just unclear. It would be useful to me on how do I find out and when do I talk about what I do not want so that I am following the rules.

Mayor Deter – Town Planner Burton can answer your questions for you and the Council and I would be happy to explain the process to you after the meeting tonight.

Councilwoman Harrison suggested that Mrs. Wolf-Carter sign up to be on the Town’s email address to receive notification of issues within the Town.

Mayor Pro Tem Titherington asked that Town Planner Burton at the end of this item inform the group of upcoming dates regarding this proposed subdivision.

Attorney Fox – Government is open to the public and what the Planner has in his possession is a public record and you can come and access and review. There is nothing secretive here. If there are plans that are submitted by a developer those plans are public and the public has the right to come in and inspect them to see how it affects them.

Mr. Bill Carter – I am a retired civil engineer. Why is the developer asking for a change?

Town Planner Burton – I don’t want to speak for the developer and he is not present here.

Attorney Fox – Everyone has the right to access government and the Subdivision Ordinance allows for individuals to petition the Council for changes in the ordinance. It does not mean the Council is going to grant it but everyone has that right.

Mr. Carter - The way the ordinance is now has worked for many developments across the country. Why should we change that rule?

Mr. Bill Snider – I live in Providence Place. One of the first things you dealt with tonight was regarding the Annexation Agreement. You put a map up here so that the rest of us can see what you are talking about. We have a paragraph with a line through it for this. The majority of the people here would have a better understanding if they could see on a map what is being proposed. As far as Antioch Woods is concerned, the drawing that I saw showed the houses backed right up to Antioch Woods especially in relation to Providence Place. I live in Providence Place so I thought “Good, it is more on their side.” I am sure there are some engineering or civil reasons for it. What has happened in the past is the Council has not been very transparent with stuff that has gone on. Some of us jump to conclusions because of that. I was glad you sent a letter out because I got the letter and it made me realize I wanted to show up. I don’t think I have ever gotten a letter like that as far as I know that there is a development being proposed. There is a big traffic concern there. It is not an exaggeration. We have kids in there that have just learned to drive and we are going to throw 185 houses in there on this road.

Mr. Andrew Oliphant – I am here to echo much of the opposition. When I moved in the neighborhood as an original resident 14 years ago I moved there for a reason and that was because what the neighborhood was. I opposed R-CD and I did not like it. I look at Brookhaven down the street and I do not want that. I think that is where we are headed. I am opposed to the text amendment.

Mr. Elton Hardy – The number one concern is fire safety. We have all seen houses burn from the next to the next. Water drainage is also a concern because with this hard red clay you need a little more space to move the water or you are going to have moisture problems under the house. The School Board movement has made Antioch Church Road the new frontier of who is going to be shifted into Sun Valley next. With Vintage Creek’s 100 houses, The Falls 185 houses, additional houses in Rosehill and Stratford Hall - we do not have the schools for them. Also 300 houses mean 900 cars. Antioch Church Road is a raceway.

With there being no further comments or questions, Mayor Deter closed the public hearing.

**D. Consideration of Ordinance for Conservation Subdivision Sideyard Text Amendment.** Mayor Pro Tem Titherington - I propose that we move to a vote on this issue instead of delaying.

Councilwoman Hadley - Do we have a reason that they wanted to delay?

Town Planner Burton – No.

Attorney Fox – I think I heard you say that you assured them that it would be continued.

Town Planner Burton – Yes.

Mayor Deter – I get a sense from the Council that whether they vote tonight or whether they vote a month from now it is probably going to be the same outcome.

Attorney Fox – You have it as an item you can consider tonight. There was a request for a deferral and understanding that your staff may have suggested that a deferral would be granted. It is still within your discretion on whether or not to grant a deferral. The applicant takes that risk. There is no guarantee of a right for a deferral. If you wanted to consider it tonight you very well could. I would ask that you reflect in the record that you considered the deferral request and vote that request up or down.

Councilwoman Hadley moved to not defer this item until next month. All were in favor, with votes recorded as follows:

AYES: Councilwoman Harrison, Hadley, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Titherington  
NAYS: None

Mayor Pro Tem Titherington moved to not approve the proposed conservation subdivision sideyard text amendment based on the recommendation of the Planning Board. All were in favor, with votes recorded as follows:

AYES: Councilwoman Harrison, Hadley, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Titherington  
NAYS: None

Town Planner Burton – I am the Town Planner. We do send letters to everyone that is within 1,300 feet of a proposed development so that is why some of you received them. If you have not received letters before in regards to a development it is because you are not within that distance. We have a sketch plan that was submitted which is the first submittal out of three. Then there is a preliminary plat and final plat later on as well. Part of the sketch plan procedure for an R-CD subdivision is that we have Public Involvement Meetings so we are going to have two of them. One of them is on June 18 at the Town Hall from 5 to 7 p.m. The second one is on site right across from the entrance of Antioch Woods on June 19 and that is from 9 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The plans are here at Town Hall and you are welcome to come by and look at the plans that have been submitted. The Planning Board will be reviewing the sketch plan at their meeting on June 23.

**E. Public Hearing to Review and Consider Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Budget and to Set the Tax Rate.** The Town Council received a copy of the preliminary budget and non-operating expenditures for Fiscal Year 2014-2015. Mayor Deter opened the public hearing.

Finance Officer Gaylord – You have in your packets the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2015. It is a budget of \$1,880,500 in Revenue and Expenditures. It is a zero balanced budget. One of the changes that I wanted to make was a \$48,000 flip between Administrative and General Government. It would reduce Administrative \$48,000 and increase General Government by \$48,000 for the costs associated with the fire department upgrades that will not be completed in this fiscal year. We are going to bump those into next year. They were not in the initial budget that is before you. The back page shows you all the items that we discussed that were included in the budget. The tax rate stayed the same at 5.2 cents. The assignments for the budget are \$200,000 for fire service, \$30,000 for buildings and \$6,000 for sidewalks. I think there is a request from Councilwoman Harrison to bump the buildings to \$35,000 and take the painting money that we are not using this year and push it to next year.

Mr. Matthew Delk – I would like to advocate for several things in the budget. As you know one of the foremost things in my mind is public safety. I don't mind saying that I would prefer to pay taxes for enhanced public safety because I love my family and my children and my neighbors and I want a safer community here in Weddington and to remain that way. I want to pass on some concerns regarding development in general on Antioch Church Road that are directly related to you financially. I would like to advocate doubling or more the Town budget to start putting away money that we need to protect public safety that will be sorely needed as we develop communities along Antioch Church Road. We need traffic lights, easement acquisition funds, adequate traffic planning services that could start this year, putting money aside for more turning lanes, flashing lights and traffic circles. I am a big fan of the one you have out here. There are curves that need to be straightened and sections that need to be widened. All of these things take money. I would like to advocate for \$1,000,000 a year to start planning for road improvements not only there but also in other areas. If you look at other critical roads in Weddington you may need to allocate more. I am willing to pay the taxes to do that especially if you envision more development on Antioch Church Road. Sadly I do not think you have the authority to chip in funds for school expansions. I also want to advocate for enhanced public safety funds for our fire departments not only Providence but Stallings and Wesley Chapel. They are going to need a tremendous amount more money and they are going to need to increase their 24-hour staff so that they can respond to the worst incidences. Sadly you cannot be prepared to respond to the majority of incidences; you have to be prepared to

respond to the worst ones. I would like to advocate more planning funds in addition to that million dollars to start preparing for further development on Antioch Church Road. On another note, I was a Cub Master of one of our Cub Scout Packs here in Weddington. I want to express my appreciation to Providence VFD. They not only protect us and our lives and property but they also serve an important community function. My Cub Scout Pack got locked out of our Blue and Gold Banquet at the school. Somebody did not show up that day. With 45 minutes notice we had the best Blue and Gold Banquet with 150 kids and parents and brownies and raffles and lots of Cub Scout uniforms running around because of our friends at Providence VFD.

Mr. Bill Carter – We live in an area where there are no fire hydrants so we rely on tankers and swimming pools. I understand that the Town is looking at a water tower or water tank and it is my understanding that there are two options. A tall tower which Linda Watt is opposed to and the other is a storage tank that from an engineering point of view I think you have to pressurize the water to get it out which probably will cost more than the tower. I would be willing to pay more taxes to get sufficient water supply in our neighborhood. I do not know that we need a big tower if we could do with a tank and pressurized tanks.

With there being no further comments or questions, Mayor Deter closed the public hearing.

**F. Consideration of Budget Ordinance Adopting the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Budget and to Set the Tax Rate.** Councilwoman Harrison moved to adopt Budget Ordinance O-2014-06 and to set the tax rate at 5.2 cents with the amendments as recommended by Finance Officer Gaylord.

Councilwoman Hadley - I want to make it clear as to why I am voting the way that I am. The biggest line item in this budget has not been reviewed by this Council which is Providence VFD's budget. To adhere to my campaign promises I cannot vote for this budget because of that.

**TOWN OF WEDDINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA  
2014-2015 GENERAL FUND BUDGET ORDINANCE  
O-2014-06**

BE IT ORDAINED By The Town Council of Weddington, North Carolina, In Session Assembled:

Section 1. The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the General Fund for the operation of Weddington Government and its activities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015, according to the following summary and schedules:

**SUMMARY**

<u>FUND</u>	<u>ESTIMATED REVENUES</u>	<u>FUND BALANCE APPROPRIATION</u>	<u>TOTAL APPROPRIATION</u>
General	\$1,880,500	\$0	\$1,880,500

Section 2. That for said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the General Fund the following:

<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Administrative	\$ 493,300
Planning & Zoning	187,175
General Government	<u>1,200,025</u>
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS – GENERAL FUND</b>	<b><u>\$1,880,500</u></b>

Section 3. It is estimated that the following General Fund Revenues and Fund Balance Appropriations will be available during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015 to meet the foregoing General Fund appropriations:

<u>REVENUE SOURCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$1,055,250
State-Collected Revenues	713,750
Zoning and Subdivision Revenues	102,500
Other Revenues	<u>9,000</u>
 TOTAL REVENUE GENERAL FUND	 <u>\$1,880,500</u>
 APPROPRIATION FROM FUND BALANCE	 \$ <u>0</u>

Section 4. There is hereby levied for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015 the following rate of taxes on each (\$100) assessed valuation of taxable property as listed as of January 1, 2014 for the purpose of raising the revenues from current year's property tax as set forth in the foregoing estimates of Revenues, and in order to finance foregoing appropriations:

GENERAL FUND	<u>\$0.052</u>
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Section 5. The Finance Officer is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations within a fund contained herein under the following conditions:

- a. She may transfer amounts between object of expenditure within a department without limitation.
- b. She may transfer amounts between departments of the same fund with an official report on such transfers to the Town Council.
- c. She may make expenditures and/or transfers from appropriations as necessary.

Section 6. All capital items, (items exceeding \$5,000), are to be approved in accord with the adopted budget. The Finance Officer will maintain a list of approved capital outlay items.

Adopted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014.

The vote on the motion is as follows:

AYES:	Councilmembers Harrison, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Titherington
NAYS:	Councilwoman Hadley

**Item No. 10. Old Business.** There was no Old Business.

**Item No. 11. New Business.**

**A. Review and Consideration of Amending the Fire Service Agreements with Wesley Chapel VFD and Stallings VFD and Making the Necessary Budget Adjustments as Needed.** The Town Council received the following:

- Amended Fire Suppression Contracts for Wesley Chapel VFD and Stallings VFD
- Maps showing Stallings VFD, Providence VFD and Wesley Chapel VFD (Stations 26 and 31) Fire Districts
- Fire District Analysis as of April 30, 2014

Councilmember Michael Smith - We talked about this briefly at the last meeting. There are two issues. It has to do with an area that Wesley Chapel has been covering for two years and have not been compensated for. This was done under the last Council when they were doing some contract readjustments and it was originally slated for Stallings from my understanding but then got switched over to Wesley Chapel but there was never any compensation. I had our Finance Officer look at this and figure out what the compensation would be and where the money would come from. The compensation would be \$11,185.00 that would go to Wesley Chapel. This was based on 2.3 cents. We found that money was being given to Stallings and should have been going to Wesley Chapel. I move to compensate Wesley Chapel for services rendered for that area in the amount of \$11,185 and have the contracts reflect that. There was another issue on the table as well. The blue area to the right of the pink area and there was some discussion on whether to give that to who was closer - Wesley Chapel or Stallings. Wesley Chapel is closer. Due to the fact that the Council is considering doing a fire study I would like to hold off on that until a study can be done and presented to the Council.

Councilwoman Hadley – As far as compensating Wesley Chapel for the area in question, I would like to reiterate that the wrong map was attached to their original contract two years ago. They were told it was incorrect and had we corrected it then we would not be having this conversation. They would be servicing that area for the contracted amount for \$124,800 per year. That was their original compensation. They have requested \$8,000 and have submitted that amount to the County in their proposed budget. I would like to make it clear that none of the original contract compensations were ultimately determined by hard and fast tax rate values. As with any mistake there are consequences and that mistake is costing the Town \$11,000 per year. I am not in agreement to deduct that amount at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour from what we pay Stallings VFD. They have been a partner to the Town that has been willing to work with us over the last two years with our municipal district and has served the citizens for the past 60 years. I would like to read in the minutes an email received from Stallings VFD Chief Charlie Porter:

*I'm sending you this letter due to the fact that I cannot attend your meeting. Due to short staffing I was unable to get vacation time to attend. First off I would like to thank the Town for its continued support of our organization. I have spent a good bit of time visiting and talking to several of you about the upcoming budget. I have a few serious concerns. We have already submitted our budget to the county that included \$48,000 for contract service to the Town of Weddington. I was advised by Councilman Smith on Wednesday May 28<sup>th</sup> that we would be cut \$11,000 dollars from our contract. I have an issue with this due to the fact that this will drop our overall budget from what we had submitted and with no guarantee that the county will make up the difference this late in the game. The only thing I have ever requested from the Town is that if we are going to make changes let's please make them early enough to allow for planning. A sudden drop of \$11,000 dollars with no guarantee of it being replaced will cause issues to a budget that has already been approved. I don't think it is an unreasonable request to leave the funding as is for this year and then allow my department to plan for any decrease in compensation in next year's budget. I hope that you all understand my position on this and would agree that last minute changes like this have far reaching effects that may not yet be obvious. I hope to continue our great working relationship long into the future.*

Councilwoman Hadley - I have also been in contact with Union County and all indications are at this late date they would not be able to make any adjustments to any compensations for the fire department. In a good faith effort to work with both of our partners, I would like to pay Wesley Chapel and also keep Stallings whole. My option would give us time to come up with a plan for any changes well before they need to submit their budget to the County next year. I would like to pay Wesley Chapel a lump sum out of my facilities budget that has that amount of unspent dollars. I do not want to make any changes to Stallings compensation at this late date. I have consulted with Finance Officer Gaylord and she has agreed that this would keep the budget flat and is doable. We would keep both contracts with the same monthly compensated amount. We would still need to have both contracts approved and signed with the correct map showing the area of coverage and Wesley Chapel referencing the lump sum payment. I would like to amend the motion to pay Wesley Chapel a one time sum of \$11,185 from my FY 13-14 facilities budget and to compensate them for their FY 14-15 Service Agreement and in doing so keep the compensated contracted amount the same as previous for both fire departments and update both contracts to reflect the corrected area of coverage.

The vote on Councilwoman Hadley's substitute motion is as follows:

AYES: Councilwoman Hadley  
NAYS: Councilmembers Harrison, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Titherington

Mayor Pro Tem Titherington asked to make a friendly amendment to Councilmember's Smith motion to instruct staff to send a letter to Union County based on this change and ask them to reconsider that funding shortfall for Stallings.

Councilman Smith accepted the amendment.

Councilwoman Hadley - You also need to be aware that when you are contacting the County that Wesley Chapel included in their budget the \$8,000 that they originally requested from the Town. They already have \$8,000 of that presented in their budget to Union County.

Mayor Deter – So we need to make Union County aware that Stallings is going to get \$11,000 less and Wesley Chapel is going to get \$3,000 more than what is in their request.

The vote on the amended motion is as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Harrison, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Titherington  
NAYS: Councilwoman Hadley

**B. Review and Consideration of Landscaping Agreements for the Town Hall and Town Medians.** The Town Council received a copy of the proposed landscaping agreements for the Town Hall and Town medians and the following memo from Town Administrator Amy McCollum:

Please find attached updated landscaping agreements with Daryl's Lawn Care for the Town Hall and Medians. Listed below is what has changed in each agreement:

#### **Town Hall**

- Term - The term of the Agreement shall be for a period of one (1) year, beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015 (the "Term"). This Agreement shall automatically renew for additional one year terms, up to a maximum of two additional years.
- Costs - \$415.00 to \$435.00
- Added or Changed Duties:
  - Maintenance of traffic circle
  - Mulch with hardwood mulch instead of pine needles/mulch and the dates mulching will occur

#### **Medians**

- Term - The term of the Agreement shall be for a period of one (1) year, beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015 (the "Term"). This Agreement shall automatically renew for additional one year terms, up to a maximum of two additional years.
- Costs - \$2,300 to \$2,900
- Added or Changed Duties:
  - Grass will be cut as needed instead of bi-weekly.
  - Shrubs and trees will be trimmed one time per year.
  - Shrubbery trimming will include dead heading daylilies but not include ornamental grasses.
  - Fertilize all trees and shrubbery once annually. This will occur in early spring.
  - Maintain median at intersection of Matthews-Weddington Road and Tilley Morris Road. This would include weed control with herbicide.

- Mulch all medians and tree beds one time bi-annually. Mulching will be done between December 2015 to February 28, 2016. Mulching will be applied at minimum of 4” in depth. (\$10,150.00) – This price is based on market value of mulch as of 2014 at \$24 per yard. This price may change by December 2015 due to additional square footage of beds or mulch price increase per yard.

Town Administrator McCollum advised that the following change should be made to the Median Contract:

Mulch all medians and tree beds one time bi-annually. Mulching will be done between December 2015 to February 28, 2016. Mulching will be applied at minimum of 4” in depth. (\$10,150.00) – This price is based on market value of mulch as of 2014 at \$24 per yard. This price may change by December 2015 due to additional square footage of beds or mulch price **decrease or** increase per yard.

Mayor Pro Tem Titherington moved to approve the landscaping agreements for the Town Hall and Medians. All were in favor, with votes recorded as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Harrison, Hadley, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Titherington  
NAYS: None

**C. Review and Consideration of Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2013-2014.** Finance Officer Gaylord reviewed the proposed Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. She recommended changes to the Budget Amendment that was in the Council’s packet due to the purchase of the fire station.

Councilwoman Harrison moved to approve the Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. The vote on the motion is as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Harrison, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Titherington  
NAYS: Councilwoman Hadley

**D. Review and Consideration of Proposals and Contract for Weddington Fire Study.** The Town Council received the following memo from Town Administrator McCollum and a copy of the three fire study proposals:

Mayor Deter requested that I get three proposals from consultants to perform a fire study/analysis for the Town of Weddington. The three proposals are attached for your review. The following is a breakdown of those proposals:

Organization	Time to Complete	Costs
CPSM/ICMA	120 Days	\$44,089 plus \$5,000 for Travel
ESCI	120 Days	\$23,386
McGrath Consulting	90 days	\$10,000

I would recommend that the Town enter into a contract with McGrath Consulting at a cost not to exceed \$10,000. Before a contract is signed, Town staff and the Mayor would need to meet with McGrath to determine what study areas from McGrath’s Audit/Master Plan Components List that the Town would like accomplished. The contract would need to be reviewed by the Town Attorney and Council to give authorization for the Mayor to sign.

Mayor Pro Tem Titherington moved to approve the proposal from McGrath Consulting at a cost not to exceed \$10,000 contingent upon the contract being reviewed by the Town Attorney and authorizing the Mayor to sign the contract.

Councilwoman Hadley - Before spending \$10,000 of taxpayer dollars to find out what I feel like is already available through sources and statistics that we already have. The County spent \$75,000 of taxpayer dollars on a



fire study and as far as I am aware a small percentage of that plan has been implemented. We had Providence audited the past two years. They submit monthly reports and they received the highest recommendation for both year's audits. They are also scheduled for an ISO Inspection on August 4, 2014. According to the minutes, Mayor you said, "Someone who is familiar with the fire department operations to help review the operating budget for Providence. What we struggle with is what is good." Then Mayor Pro Tem asked was that for Providence, Wesley Chapel and Stallings. You stated, "It is for the Town. I think there is an advantage of bringing in an outside set of eyes to discuss and come up with a plan." The operating budgets for each of the 18 departments in the County are public record and are available for review which shows a summary of the staffing, the fire fee, tax rate, the size of the district, their ISO rating. We have the Department of Insurance report, their expertise; we have the State and County Fire Marshal and their expertise. All of these experts and all of this information. I have two questions – what information are you hoping to obtain that is not already included in the fire study, our audits or will be obtainable in the ISO inspections and what direction or instructions are you giving McGrath? What is the purpose and the outcome?

Mayor Deter – I do not think anyone here on the Council has the expertise to look at all this. I thought it was very beneficial for the Town to spend a few thousand dollars at the retreat to bring in an outside consultant. I feel that same logic applies here on an outside consultant. There may be a lot of this data available. I don't know what information they will be gathering. Even if it is the same exact information that you can get from all these sources I do not feel we can make an appropriate decision on how we interpret it. We run into that now as a Council. I see tremendous value of having an outside party that has the expertise to do that. In terms of direction one of the things McGrath is going to do as part of this discussion is he is going to talk with staff and Council about what do you think your expectations are for the study. My expectations are from an operational standpoint what is good. What we have now may be great; we do not know. The second part is as it relates to the Town for the Town's future and as we grow what is the plan and direction we should go.

Councilmember Hadley – Are you talking more operation or more budgetary?

Mayor Deter – Budgetary is an element of operational and that is what is good and the other is more strategic what the future is for the Town as the Town grows.

Mayor Pro Tem Titherington – Also, what are the watch outs as we grow and other areas are developed. We heard concerns tonight about development and roads. I would envision it as an all encompassing report that they will be able to come back and provide some guidance so that we can provide the best service. It has been wonderful but as we grow 10,000 to 20,000 in population - what does that look like?

Councilwoman Hadley – The bulk of their scope of work we are going to hand to them on a silver platter. I am curious as to why we are paying them \$10,000 to hand them all of this information that we are asking them. They do not have to go get it. We will probably get a book from the ISO Inspection back from the Department of Insurance. If they maintain their rating that they have now or improve that rating then it is obvious that operationally they are performing well. In my opinion public safety is not being funded and I am seeing \$10,000 for a scope of work that we have access to this data. The ISO inspection is scheduled for August 4 and I really would not like to have any distraction to have to be concerned with meeting with this and preparing for the ISO. I think that could be a consideration that we could have.

Councilmember Smith – Distraction for who?

Councilwoman Harrison – Providence, Wesley Chapel and Stallings.

Councilwoman Hadley – Providence is having an ISO inspection on August 4.

Councilwoman Harrison – We understand that. We are doing for everybody.

Mayor Deter – Maybe we have the consultant work with the other issues and departments but do not work with Providence until after August 4.

Mayor Pro Tem Titherington – Ninety nine percent of our budget is going to public safety. I don't believe we are underfunding public safety. Union County came back with a 1% increase for the Sheriff which we funded. Two fire departments came back flat the other one we are working with is flat with the objective of looking at as we go forward. I do not believe that there have been any commitments to say that we are not funding. It needs to be clear for the folks that are hearing this for the first time.

Councilwoman Hadley – I think it is a lot of money when we are going to be able to hand them over everything.

Mayor Deter – Five of us can sit down and have the same data and we could do an analysis. We are not experts in the field but we could do an analysis and I am guaranteeing that we will not come to a conclusion. The advantage of an outside consultant is not so much giving them data but for them to analyze the data and to be an independent party to come to this conclusion.

Councilmember Smith – I think a lot has changed since we started this venture and I think it would be good to get another analysis to see where we are going to go in the future and how we can best serve the community.

The vote on the motion is as follows:

AYES:	Councilmembers Harrison, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Titherington
NAYS:	Councilwoman Hadley

**E. Review and Consideration of Appointment to Public Safety Advisory Committee.** The Town Council received the following memo from Town Administrator McCollum and applications from individuals wishing to serve:

There is currently a vacancy on the Public Safety Advisory Committee due to the resignation of Douglas Sabo whose term is to expire in 2017. Applications from individuals wishing to serve on this Committee are included in your packet.

Councilmember Smith moved to refer this item to the Public Safety Advisory Committee for their recommendation and to defer consideration until the August Town Council Meeting. All were in favor, with votes recorded as follows:

AYES:	Councilmembers Harrison, Hadley, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Titherington
NAYS:	None

**Item No. 12. Update from Town Planner.** The Town Council received the following update memo from Town Planner Burton:

Staff has received a Sketch Plan application for the Falls at Weddington major conservation subdivision, located off of Antioch Church Rd. PIMs are scheduled for June 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

- The following items were on the May 19th, 2014 Planning Board agenda:
  - Review and Consideration – Weddington UMC CZ Application
  - Minor Subdivision – David Harrington
- The following items will be on the June 23<sup>rd</sup> Planning Board agenda for discussion:
  - Review and Consideration of Sketch Plan for Falls at Weddington
  - Review and Consideration of Atherton Estates Final Plat Map 1
  - Minor Subdivision: Sessions
- The following items may be on the July 14th Town Council agenda:

- Weddington United Methodist Church CZ Application
- Review and Consideration of Atherton Estates Final Plat Map 1
- Public Hearing: Review and Consider Text Amendment: Homeowners Association and street maintenance (within checklist)
- Public Hearing: Review and Consider Text Amendment: Notification submitted to Facilities Director of UCPS of all proposed major subdivisions (within checklist).

**Item No. 13. Update from Town Administrator.** The Town Council received the following update memo from Town Administrator McCollum:

- The date for the next retreat is Thursday, August 28 here at the Town Hall. More details to come.
- Councilwoman Barbara Harrison interviewed Mr. Tyler Sommers for the Historian Intern. Tyler lives in the Town and currently attends Harding University in Arkansas. He will start work with the Town on June 6.
- Our new Code Enforcement Officer has been very busy. We plan to meet with him on Tuesday of next week for an update on items he has been working on and he has a hearing set here for Wednesday.
- The Retreat Action Items list will be updated after the Public Safety Advisory Committee and Planning Board meeting in June to report on their items.
- I am working on the following items that Finance Officer Gaylord said could be purchased out of this year's budget: Telephone System, Copier, Laptop and Recording Software. Ipad for Finance Officer has been purchased.

**Upcoming Dates:**

June 10, 2014	-	Public Safety Meeting at 10:00 a.m.
June 18 and 19, 2014	-	Public Involvement Meetings – The Falls Subdivision
June 23, 2014	-	Planning Board Meeting
July 4, 2014	-	Town Hall Closed for Independence Day
August 7, 2014	-	Auditors Scheduled
September 20, 2014	-	Weddington Country Festival

**Item No. 14. Public Safety Report.**

**PROVIDENCE VFD**

Mecklenburg Fire:	5
Mecklenburg EMS:	0
Union Fire:	25
Union EMS:	14

Total Calls for Service: 44

Total Training Hours: 479.00

The Town Council was also provided the Income and Expense Budget Performance for May 2014.

Wesley Chapel VFD – 9 calls  
 Stallings VFD – 2 calls  
 Weddington Deputies – 653 calls

**Item No. 15. Update from Finance Officer and Tax Collector.**

**A. Finance Officer's Report.** The Town Council received the Revenue and Expenditure Statement by Department and the Balance Sheet for 5/1/2014 to 5/31/2014.

**B. Tax Collector's Report.** Monthly Report –May 2014

<b>Transactions:</b>	
Adjustments <\$5.00	\$(5.59)
Balance Adjustment	\$(6.45)
Interest Charges	\$171.29
Overpayments	\$(285.10)
Refunds	\$330.35
Penalty & Interest Payments	\$(5.58)
<b>Taxes Collected:</b>	
2013	\$(9,264.67)
<b>As of May 31, 2014; the following taxes remain Outstanding:</b>	
2002	\$82.07
2003	\$129.05
2004	\$122.90
2005	\$252.74
2006	\$56.80
2007	\$144.42
2008	\$1,456.08
2009	\$1,586.05
2010	\$1,905.68
2011	\$2,944.41
2012	\$8,735.49
2013	\$16,582.05
<b>Total Outstanding:</b>	<b>\$33,997.74</b>

**Item No. 16. Transportation Report.** Councilwoman Harrison gave a brief transportation report to the Town Council.

**Item No. 17. Council Comments.** Councilwoman Harrison informed the Council that she will be applying for the Temporary Use Permit for the Weddington Country Festival in July.

**Item No. 18. Adjournment.** Councilwoman Harrison moved to adjourn the June 9, 2014 Regular Town Council Meeting. All were in favor, with votes recorded as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Harrison, Hadley, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Titherington  
NAYS: None

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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Bill Deter, Mayor

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Amy S. McCollum, Town Clerk