Town of Woodfin
Town Council Meeting

Tuesday, November 19, 2024
5:00 pm

ACTION MEETING MINUTES

Council Members Present
Mayor Jim McAllister
Council Member Philip Cohen
Council Member Ken Kahn
Vice Mayor Elisabeth Ervin
Council Member Eric Edgerton
Council Member Hazel Thornton

Council Members Attending Remotely
Council Member Johanna Young Joined Meeting at 5:00 pm/Left at 6:54 pm

Council Members Absent

Town Staff Present
Shannon Tuch, Town Manager
John Henning, Town Attorney
Gena Powers, Town Clerk / PIO
Sheri Powers, Finance & Budget Director
Ricky Hurley, Planning Director
Adrienne Isenhower, Project & Facilities Dir.

The meeting video can be seen in its entirety at:
https://www.youtube.com/live/CdWXWspMUb4?si=IzUcVHAKEDf4ke5J

Mayor McAllister called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm. Roll was taken with Vice Mayor Ervin and Council Members Cohen, Edgerton, Kahn and Thornton in person and Council Member Young attending remotely.

A. Approval of the Agenda (1:03)
Vice Mayor Ervin made a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Kahn seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 6-0.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Cohen	Aye
Edgerton	Aye
Ervin	Aye
Kahn	Aye
Thornton	Aye
Young	Aye

B. Consent Agenda (2:00)
1. Approval of the October 15, 2024, regular and closed session meeting Minutes.
2. Approval of the August 14, 2024, Performance Plan Subcommittee Meeting Minutes.
3. Approval of the August 26, 2024, and September 23, 2024, Landscape Subcommittee Meeting Minutes.
4. Approval of the tax collection report for the period ending September 2024.
5. Approval of budget amendment Ordinance 2024-018 to appropriate FEMA grant funds.
6. State of North Carolina debris removal services contract related to State of Emergency.
7. Town of Woodfin Notice to Proceed agreements for debris removal and monitoring authorized under state contract with:
   a. SDR
   b. Debris Tech

Vice Mayor Ervin made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Council Member Kahn seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 6-0.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Cohen	Aye
Edgerton	Aye
Ervin	Aye
Kahn	Aye
Thornton	Aye
Young	Aye

C. Public Comment (3:20) – The public is invited to attend this meeting in person or view this meeting on YouTube Live: https://www.youtube.com/live/mW1GYyGFBFc?si=CSgchOZx28g4XwQW . All documents related to agenda items not published on the website may be viewed in advance of the meetings in person at Town Hall, 90 Elk Mountain Rd, Woodfin.

Four members of the public spoke about their concerns with agenda item E. 2. Solid Waste Management Discussion.

Citizens may address the Board concerning various topics after being recognized by the mayor and are limited to 3 (three) minutes speaking time.

D. Presentations & Reports (13:20)

1. Manager Report – Shannon Tuch, Town Manager
2. Woodfin YMCA Presentation – Paul Vest, President & CEO, and Tim Blenco, Chief Operating Officer
3. Recognition of Officer Andrew Arthur for receiving the Advanced Law Enforcement Certificate.

E. New Business (100:30)

1. Disaster Planning Policy Discussion. A Safe, Happy Hometown: Woodfin – Council members Kahn, Edgerton, & Young.
2. Solid Waste Management Discussion – Shannon Tuch, Town Manager

The council decided unanimously against authorizing town staff to further investigate the possibility of signing a contract with FCC to dispose of solid waste for the town.

Vice Mayor Ervin made a motion to adjourn into closed session consistent with North Carolina General Statute §143-318.11 (a)(3): To consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the public body, which privilege is hereby acknowledged. Council Member Kahn seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 6-0.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Cohen	Aye
Edgerton	Aye
Ervin	Aye
Kahn	Aye
Thornton	Aye
Young	Aye

Town Attorney Henning introduced Attorney Mike Thru to the council.

F. **Executive Session - The Town Council may adjourn to private chambers to discuss legal, personnel, contractual or similar matters protected by the NCGS §143-318.11(a) including subsections:**
(3) to consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the public body, which privilege is hereby acknowledged.

G. **Adjournment-**

Vice Mayor Ervin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Kahn seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 6-0.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Cohen	Aye
Edgerton	Aye
Ervin	Aye
Kahn	Aye
Thornton	Aye
Young	Aye

Mayor McAllister adjourned the meeting at 6:54 pm.

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James C. McAllister/Mayor

Attest: Gena Powers/Town Clerk