Town of Woodfin
Town Council Meeting

Tuesday, November 21, 2023
5:00 pm

ACTION MEETING MINUTES

Council Members Present
Mayor Jerry VeHaun
Council Member Judy Butler
Council Member Hazel Thornton
Vice Mayor Jim McAllister
Council Member Ronnie Lunsford

Council Members Absent
Council Member Eric Edgerton
Council Member Elisabeth Ervin

Town Staff Present
Shannon Tuch, Town Manager
Michael Dykes, Chief of Police
Adrienne Isenhower, Project & Facilities Director
Sheri Powers, Finance & Budget Director
Ricky Hurley, Planning Director
Gena Powers, Town Clerk / PIO

The meeting video can be seen in its entirety at: https://youtu.be/Z7o4t-d5vnc .

Mayor Vehaun called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm.

A. Approval of the Agenda (0:21)
Council Member Thornton made a motion to approve the agenda. Vice Mayor McAllister seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 4-0.

B. Consent Agenda (0:37)
1. Approval of the October 17, 2023, Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of the Tax Collection Report for the period ending September 30, 2023.
3. Introduction of Ordinance 2023-025 – Amendment to Ch. 22. Miscellaneous Offenses for the purpose of updating public safety standards regarding weapons and firearms.
4. Approval of Resolution #2023-016 authorizing the disposal of town owned property.

Council Member Thornton made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Council Member Butler seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 4-0.

C. Proclamation for Mayor Jerry VeHaun (2:13)-Read by Council Member Ronnie Lunsford

D. Public Comment (6:13) – The public is invited to attend this meeting in person or view this meeting on Facebook Live: https://www.facebook.com/townofwoodfin. 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.

There was public comment regarding the recent paving of town streets. There was also comment in favor of Ordinance 2023-026, a text amendment to Chapters 54 of the Town of Woodfin Code of Ordinances regarding Accessory Dwelling Units.

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

E. Presentations & Reports (11:11)

1. **ABC Report**- Tom Spradling
2. **Town manager report** – Shannon Tuch
3. **Police Report** – Michael Dykes

F. New Business (50:38)

1. Public Hearing-Ordinance 2023-026, a request for a text amendment to Chapters 54 of the Town of Woodfin Code of Ordinances regarding Accessory Dwelling Units. Planning Director Ricky Hurley gave an overview and explanation of the proposed addition of accessory dwelling units as a new limited use to chapter 54 zoning.

Mayor VeHaun opened the Public Hearing at 6:00 pm.

There was one public comment in support of Ordinance 2023-026, a request for a text amendment to Chapters 54 of the Town of Woodfin Code of Ordinances regarding Accessory Dwelling Units.

Mayor VeHaun closed the Public Hearing at 6:03 pm.

2. (1:01:24) Vice Mayor McAllister made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-024, finding that it is reasonable, is in the public interest, is consistent with the Town of Woodfin comprehensive plan, and meets the development needs or the community in that the request: 1. Provides additional clarity and predictability to development requirements, thereby supporting economic development; and 2. Ensures that the Town's planning, zoning, and permitting processes facilitate sustained and positive development and support the needs of business and industry. 3. Preserve and enhance Woodfin's open space, natural environment, and community character. 4. Promotes an integrated mix of housing types and affordability options. Council Member Butler seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 4-0.

G. Adjournment (1:03:04)

Council Member Thornton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Butler seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 4-0.

Mayor VeHaun adjourned the meeting at 6:04 pm.

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James C. McAllister/Mayor

Attest: Gena Powers
Gena Powers/Town Clerk