

**MILTON NORTH CAROLINA TOWN HALL/TDH**

**TUESDAY: July 12, 2022----7:00 PM. Minutes**

**Town Hall Hours: Tuesdays 9:00 am.-5:00 pm.**

**Thursdays- 4:00 pm.-7:00 pm. Payments Only**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**Mayor Patricia Williams** called meeting to order at 7:00 pm

This meeting is being recorded and I (Mayor Patricia Williams) would like to remind you for **Public Comments** please call Town Hall at 336-234-0030 by 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday the day of the Town Meeting and leave your name, address, and your reason for Public Comments.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

- **Mayor Patricia Williams** asked everyone to please stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Patricia Williams, Shirley Wilson, Town Clerk, Commissioner Cathia Stewart, Commissioner Sherri Garrard, Commissioner Valerie Sottile,

**ABSENT:** Sharon Williams, Finance Officer

**ZOOM:** Commissioner John Wallace Jr, Cindy Royster, Tracy Blaine, Anthony Hearn

**APPROVALS:** **Mayor Patricia Williams** called for approval of the **July 12, 2022, Agenda:** **Commissioner Cathia Stewart** motioned to approve the **Agenda for July 12, 2022**, with the changes. The **motion was seconded by Commissioner Valerie Sottile. All were in favor.** **Mayor Patricia Williams** asked for the approval of the **June 14, 2022, Minutes.** **Commissioner Sherri Garrard** motioned to approve the **June 14, 2022, Minutes, as they stand.** **Commissioner Valerie Sottile** second the motion. **All were in favor.**

**MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Patricia Williams:**

- Update on the Milton Post Office: Milton Post Office Sign is up. There is a tentative date for a reopening for Saturday July 23, 2022. Public notifications will be sent and posted by USPS early next week. Date can change.
- The Annual Bright Leaf Hoedown will take place on September 24, 2022, from 9:00 to dusk. This is a family event with festivities including a Kids Country, Corn Hole Tournament, Veteran Car Show, Local Bands on two stages, Exhibitors, Local Foods, Artisans, Crafters, and more. Write it down on your calendars and make plans to attend.
- The next Chamber of Commerce Breakfast will be July 19, 2022, 8:00 am-9:30 am. held at Co-Square in Yanceyville N.C.

**STAFF REPORTS: Mayor Patricia Williams report for Sharon Williams in her absence:**

- **Mayor Patricia Williams at the end of June 2022** the first report is **General Fund: Income: \$5,396.36, Expenditures \$3639.87. Water Fund:** Monies transferred that was preapproved by the Commissioners **\$15,000.00. Revenue at one hundred% Items that had to be bought**

and repaired replacement items **\$44,114.30** this is from the Repair and Maintenance Sewer System. The total spent on the Maintenance Sewer System **\$73,350.86**.

- **Bank Reconciliations: General Fund: \$11,180.15; Water Sewer Fund: \$23,679.90**
- **North Carolina Capital Management for the American Recovery Plan Act Fund the balance is \$23,442.25 and the North Carolina Capital Management Trust Fund has \$125,095.90 which includes the transfer of \$20,000.00.**
- **General Fund Checks that have been deposited and the Water Sewer Checks.**
- **If no questions, we have two outstanding Milton Water Leak Relief Applications from last month. First one was given to us back in May and the Commissioners decided to make sure the leak had been fixed. An invoice was produced showing that the person in that home had replaced one toilet, bought an assembly kit, and replaced that. Explained overage. (\$294.15) They feel the leak has been taken care of. (Six people in that home) The family used 18,700 gals. April 2022 was \$33.60 overage; May 2022 was \$620.90 when the leak was found. June was \$95.50 they think this amount is what they will see normally. They are asking for \$750.00 from the Leak Relief which is our limit. Valerie Sottile led a discussion stating she thought the most the town should give them is \$654.50. (Discussion May 10, 2022, approved \$654.00) Commissioners approved the \$750.00 One Time Water Leak Relief. Motion for this first One Time Water Leak Relief of \$750.00 by Commissioner Sherri Garrard and second by Commissioner Cathia Stewart. All were in favor.**
- **Next One Time Water Leak Relief was due to the Town cutting off the water to replace a meter and when it was turned back on this person had a pipe to burst. It was from the meter to their home, so they are responsible for it. They asked for help from the One Time Water Leak Relief. Gave the invoice for the replacement of the pipe. (Replaced the pipe from the meter to the house) Mayor Patricia Williams stated the One Time Water Leak Relief is for the water not the pipes. They replaced the entire pipe not just were it burst. Mayor Patricia Williams stated 1880 overage \$106.05. Talked to this family and they wanted to go with receiving the \$106.05. Mayor Patricia Williams asked for a motion to approve this particular One Time Water Leak Relief of \$106.05. Commissioner Valerie Sottile made the motion and Commissioner Sherri Garrard second the motion. All were in favor.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: Danville Regional Foundation, Mr. Willie Jones: Program Officer,**

- ✚ **I Focus on the area called the Quality of Life.**
- ✚ **Think of it as Community Relations and Community Development**
- ✚ **Danville Regional Foundation is one of your local philanthropic arms in the area**
- ✚ **We Service Caswell County, City of Danville, Pennsylvania County, and we were created through the selling of the hospital.**
- ✚ **Main Focus is to be a catalyst for Economic Change for the region**
- ✚ **Focus on Education, Workforce development, Quality of Life, and Health**
- ✚ **MMH (Make More Happen Grant is for the Community Grant, made for the community and by the community (Revamping is to have three partnerships, collaboration,**
- ✚ **To apply: three neighborhoods, three communities, three churches, three non-profits**
- ✚ **Find a physical agent that is willing to collaborate with you**
- ✚ **Gave examples: Book Club**
- ✚ **Loophole: another partner can have a project next year**
- ✚ **Has to be something the city, state or town is responsible for**

- ✦ **Minimum \$1000.00 Maximum \$25,000.00**
- ✦ **No limit on collaboration-Different Projects**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: Maribeth Howe-Water Cut-off**

- ✦ Lifelong resident of Milton
- ✦ Concerns are water cut offs with large amount of people living in the home
- ✦ I have five people in my home-3 children
- ✦ Concern that our town is turning into a place that is almost discriminatory for people who cannot pay \$200.00-\$300.00-\$600.00 water bills.
- ✦ Our water has been cut off several times due to work and cannot get by on the day the office is open
- ✦ Hope to look at **Paper Notifications**, cell phones get turned off but when you turn off the water that is a vital source of living
- ✦ I have true concerns-Look at Grants to help with our water situation here
- ✦ There are so many people in our town that could be amazing citizens and who could bring so much here but as soon as they hear what the water bill is they have no desire to live here
- ✦ Our community wants to be more diverse, wants to be inclusive, we want to make this a place for all people to come and live and be productive, but we are setting the water bill so high which is a basic need. Ongoing concern. Thanks for hearing my commits

**OLD BUSINESS: N/A**

**NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Patricia Williams: Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission Designation Resolution** that we need to make. Reviewed because it is a Resolution. We designate a person and this person volunteered. Name of the Official is **Commissioner Sherri Garrard**, and a notary is here. Signee for in the future and current. **Mayor Patricia Williams** reviewed the Resolution with **Commissioner Sherri Garrard** as she signed. **Name not spelled correctly: Burton** **Commissioner Cathia Stewart** made a motion for **Commissioner Sherri Garrard** being the ABC **Commission Signer** and second by **Commissioner Valerie Sottile**. All were in favor. **Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission Resolution** will be signed by **Mayor Patricia Williams** and **Shirley Wilson, Town Clerk**. It was motioned by **Commissioner Valerie Sottile** to approve the **Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission Resolution** as it stands and second by **Commissioner Cathia Stewart**. All were in favor.

**UPDATE TO ONE-TIME WATER RELIEF POLICY: Attached to Minutes**

Discussed water consumption and added information. **#1-#3-#5**

It was motioned to approve the changes in the **Water Relief Policy** by **Commissioner Sherri Garrard** and second by **Commissioner Valerie Sottile**. All were in favor.

**UPDATE TO ONE-TIME WATER RELIEF APPLICATION:** Changed information for water consumption. **Attached to Minutes** It was motion to approve the changes in the **ONE-TIME WATER RELIEF APPLICATION** by **Commissioner Sherri Garrard** and second by **Commissioner Cathia Stewart**. All were in favor.

**Commissioner Valerie Sottile: Planning Board Recommendation for Board Member**

**Last evening Anthony Hearn resigned his position. There is an open seat on the Milton Planning Board. Broadcast the opening, send out notice, put notice on the office door.**

**Mayor Patricia Williams** stated she thinks the board should reach out to Yanceyville to see how they reach out for volunteers. Asked **Commissioner Cathia Stewart** to check on how they go forward with filling positions. Options: Commissioners appoint, or Planning Board make a recommendation **Discussion** **Commissioner Valerie Sottile** stated she would like to see as many people as possible that are willing to do the work come join us, news paper ads, do we want to do

what **Mayor Patricia Williams** stated that the Commissioners appoint, or Planning Board make a recommendation. **Commissioner Sherri Garrard's** opinion was that the people on the Planning Board know what needs to be accomplished, what they are up against so they should take a look at the applicants first to appoint or recommend to the Board of Commissioners. **Discussed**  
**Commissioner Cathia Stewart** stated have the volunteers to sit in on a Planning Board meeting. Notify everyone that a position is open on the Planning Board in the August 10, 2022, mailing. Responses back before September 12, 2022, Planning Board meeting. Discussion Letter needs to come to Town Hall and addressed to Roxanne Palmer

**Mayor Patricia Williams: Discussed;** Bright Leaf Hoedown: 9:00-dusk The Town Board members are members of the Chamber. We were asked if we were interested in participating on September 24, 2022.

**Representation:** The Trail; Beer Garden; Eatery; Aunt Millie's; Art Gallery; Renaissance Museum; General Store; TDH; Churches-**2hr Limit for sitting**

**Combination of people to monitor the table: \$30.00 Fee; Mayor Patricia Williams will check with Finance Officer Sharon Williams to see if that is okay with the General Fund.**

Motion for the Town of Milton to have a tent at the **Hoedown** motioned by **Commissioner Sherri Garrard** second **Commissioner Valerie Sottile** All in favor.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT: Town Clerk Shirley Wilson EDC Report for July11, 2022**

**PCC: Dr. Senegal:**

- ✚ **HOME SCHOOL SUMMER BLAST AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM AT STONEY CREEK WITH 15 HOME SCHOOL STUDENTS**
- ✚ **ADA WORK GOING ON INSIDE THE MAIN BUILDING**
- ✚ **EMILY AND DR. SENEGAL HAD A MEETING WITH THE GREEN RURAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION WHO HAS VARIOUS GRANT OPPORTUNITIES THAT ARE SIGNIFICANT FOR PCC TO PARTNER WITH THEM FOR CEAD (CENTER FOR EDUCATIONAL AND AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT)**
- ✚ **BUDGET ON THE GOVERNOR'S DESK RIGHT NOW THE 2 MILLION DOLLAR BUDGET EARMARKED FOR CEAD AND IF PASSED PHASE 1 WILL BE COMPLETED**

**CASWELL COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: Amanda Hodges**

- ✚ **HOE DOWN SEPTEMBER 24, 2022**
- ✚ **GREAT FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION ON THE 1ST OF JULY**
- ✚ **60 PEOPLE ATTENDED THE JUNE 21, 2022, BREAKFAST**
- ✚ **BREAKFAST JULY 19, 2022, AT CO-SQUARE- 8:00 (IT SOLUTIONS OUT OF SOUTH BOSTON)**
- ✚ **SOCK PUPPET GAME: JULY 19, 2022, BASEBALL TEAM OUT OF BURLINGTON HAVING A CASWELL COUNTY COMMUNITY NIGHT: 7:00 p.m. at the BURLINGTON ATHLETIC STADIUM. PACKET OF TEN TICKETS FOR \$150.00 WOULD LIKE FOR THE SMALL MUNICIPALITIES TO BUY A PACKET OF TEN, SET UP A TENT AND A TABLE SO EVERYONE WILL BE REPRESENTED. INCLUDED IN THE PACKET IS ALL YOU CAN EAT (GRILLED CHICKEN, HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS, DRINKS, WATER AND THE GAME TICKET. MILTON, PLEASE ASK YOUR MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS TO PARTICIPATE. INDIVIDUAL TICKETS ARE \$15.00. THE CHAMBER IS BUYING TEN TICKETS. There is a need for the towns to be represented.**

**TOWN OF MILTON**

**✚ MILTON POST OFFICE UPDATE: TENTATIVE OPENING JULY 23, 2022**  
**SHIRLEY CADMUS: ANNOUNCED THE RURITAN CLUB OF SEMORA IS**  
**SPONSORING A PANCAKE BREAKFAST 5:00 PM TO 7:30 PM ON FRIDAY JULY 15,**  
**2022, TO RAISE MONEY FOR GWEN MCGUIRE TO HELP WITH HER CANCER**  
**TREATMENTS. ALSO 50/50 TICKETS**

**CLOSE OF MEETING: Mayor Patricia Williams** asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.  
**Commissioner Cathia Stewart** motioned to adjourn the meeting and second by **Commissioner Valerie Sottile**. All members were in favor. **Time: 8:26 p.m.**

**Next Town Meeting August 9, 2022**

**Submitted by:** Shirley Wilson, Town Clerk