

BADIN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – REGULAR MEETING

July 13, 2021

BADIN TOWN HALL

VISITORS

Dale Ward, Charles Curcio, Jenny Henderson, Linda Kraeft, Ernest Peoples, Lester Sturdivant, Jr., Gene Carlis

Council Members Present:

Anne Harwood, Mayor

Deloris Chambers, Mayor Pro Tem

Gary Lowder

Demar Huntley

Larry Milano

Staff Present:

Jay Almond, Town Manager

Stephen Smith, Police Chief

Amanda Bowers, Town Clerk

Opening prayer by Deloris Chambers.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag recited.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dale Ward mentioned infrastructure, playground equipment in Pine St. Park, and right-of-way foliage.

Gene Carlis reported speeding on Nantahala St.

Lester Sturdivant, Jr. reported drug issues at a residence on Roosevelt St.

Ernest Peoples noted street name changes, speed bumps, Lou Donaldson Blvd., grass in ditches.

CALL TO ORDER

Harwood called the meeting to order.

AMENDMENT(S) TO THE AGENDA

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve June 8, 2021 Public Hearing Minutes regarding FY 2021-2022 Proposed Budget:
Chambers

Second: Lowder

Vote: Passed/Unanimous

Motion to approve June 8, 2021 Public Hearing Minutes regarding restricted parking on Nantahala Street:
Lowder

Second: Chambers

Vote: Passed/Unanimous

Motion to approve June 8, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes: Lowder

Second: Huntley

Vote: Passed/Unanimous

Motion to approve June 9, 2021 Planning Session Minutes: Chambers
Second: Lowder
Vote: Passed/Unanimous

BUSINESS

Council considered parking restrictions on Nantahala St. between Henderson and Boyden streets for safety. Parking is already prohibited on all NCDOT sections of Nantahala St.

Motion to make Nantahala St. no parking from Henderson to Boyden Streets: Milano
Second: Chambers
Vote: Passed/Unanimous

Council discussed American Rescue Plan funds. A separate account has been opened to accept funds. Council's formal acceptance of funds is recommended.

Motion to approve acceptance of American Rescue Plan fund: Chambers
Second: Huntley
Vote: Passed/Unanimous

Council must set a public hearing regarding adoption of 160D updates to the Zoning Ordinance.

Motion to set public hearing at 6:45 p.m., Tuesday, August 10, 2021: Milano
Second: Lowder
Vote: Passed/Unanimous

Badin Police Dept. suggested nuisance ordinance amendments. Council would like an amendment list once compiled.

POLICE REPORT:

Chief Smith gave the June police report.

- There were 2,176 calls for service in June.
- 2 New part-time officers have been sworn in.
- 1 Full-time officer is awaiting paperwork and is radar certified.
- Police Dept. appreciates council and community's support.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Almond reported the following:

- Next limb/brush collection will be August 3, 2021.
- Boom mower is repaired.
- Off-Street parking at Holly place is completed. Check on signage.
- Precision Safe Sidewalks completed FY21 work. FY22 may begin. Council said proceed.
- Dry stack repair work on Spruce St. stone ditch is ongoing.

Mayor Harwood said West Badin Park mowing needs completing, and asked about West Badin Park Pavilion. Almond said Contractor hopes to be completed by end of August.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Almond presented financial report period ending June 30, 2021. Tax revenue from property, occupancy, and sales & use tax.

MANAGER’S REPORT:

Almond reported the following:

1. Deloris Chambers will attend CVB 8:30 a.m., July 14th, and COG meeting that afternoon.
2. Stanly St. ditch is awaiting contractor.
3. Attorney is looking over letter to property owners regarding trespassing on town owned properties. Milano asked Almond to follow up with attorney.
4. NCDOT will only work curb to curb on Falls. Lowder said council needs to approach NCDOT.
5. Council will participate in a local Health Focus Group with the Stanly County Health Dept. 4 p.m., July 14th in Badin Conference Center.
6. Badin Town Council will host a planning session 5 p.m., July 14th in Badin Conference Center.
7. Next Regular Council Meeting, 7 p.m. Tues., August 10th, in Badin Conference Center.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Almond met with Historic Places representative. Street name changes would not affect registry status. Milano stated that there needs to be a lot of discussion before changing street names. Mayor Harwood would like to invite museum to a meeting to discuss.

Chambers reported the following: Jackson St. has a large pothole; 225 Lincoln St. is in code violation; vacant house on corner of Washington St. is in code violation.

Milano reported the following: Furniture left out on Hickory St.; Young unsupervised kids at Pine St. Park, need speedbumps to slow traffic.

Huntley mentioned the need to look at storm drains on Spruce & Maple Streets.

Lowder mentioned a storm drain issue on Cheoah St. and asked when town hall will open back up.

Chambers asked about status of burned building next to town hall.

Motion to enter closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)1 to discuss personnel matters pursuant to 143-318.11(a)6: Milano
 Second: Lowder
 Vote: Passed/Unanimous

Council entered closed session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Harwood called for a motion to adjourn July 13, 2021 regular meeting.
 Motion: Lowder
 Second: Chambers
 Vote: Passed/Unanimous

Minutes approved August 10, 2021

Clerk

Mayor

Minutes Prepared by: Amanda Bowers

SEAL