

**Town of Eastover - Town Council Meeting
Tuesday, August 9, 2022, 7:00 p.m.
Eastover Community Center**

**x☐ Mayor Charles G. McLaurin, Presiding.
Council Members: x☐ Cheryl C. Hudson, x☐ J. Lawrence Buffaloe,
x☐ M. Stan Crumpler, x☐ Bruce R. Sykes, x☐ Kimberly F. McPhail,
and x☐ C. Brian Pearce**

MINUTES OF MEETING – August 9, 2022

Mayor Charles G. McLaurin, Council Members: Kimberly McPhail, J. Lawrence Buffaloe, Cheryl C. Hudson, Bruce R. Sykes, C. Brian Pearce, and M. Stan Crumpler attended the August 9, 2022, Eastover Town Council Meeting. A quorum was present at the Town Council Meeting. Also, in attendance were Mr. Donald Hudson, Town Attorney and Ms. Elizabeth S. Bass, Town Clerk.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Charles McLaurin called the August 9, 2022, Eastover Town Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

II. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Pastor Fred Williams gave the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mayor Charles McLaurin asked for a motion to approve/disapprove the agenda as stated. Council Member Kim McPhail asked to add agenda item #4, Mr. Tristan Whetsell

Council Member Kim McPhail made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of agenda item #4: Tristan Whetsell. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Cheryl Hudson. The vote was unanimous for approval.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

NONE

V. CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1. Consider approval of the Minutes for the July 12, 2022, Town Council Meeting.**
- 2. Consider approval of the Closed Session Minutes for the July 12, 2022, Town Council Meeting.**
- 3. Consider approval of the May 2022 Financial Reports.**

Mayor McLaurin asked the Council if they had any questions concerning the Consent Agenda. There were none. Mayor McLaurin asked for a motion to approve/disapprove the Consent Agenda as stated.

Council Member Cheryl Hudson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as stated. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Lawrence Buffaloe. The vote was unanimous for approval.

VI. DISCUSSION AGENDA:

Agenda Item #1:

Case No: DEV-011-21: PRELIMINARY PLAN FOR THREE RESIDENTIAL LOTS OFF OF DUNN RD ON THE NORTHSIDE AND WEST OF DANIELS

Council Member Stan Crumpler told the Council that this is a revised site plan. He stated the original proposal depicted 7 residential lots. Due to current planning staff comments and comments provided by the Eastover Town Council to the applicant the applicant revised the application.

The applicant scaled back the project to 3 lots and proposing a 25 ft. natural buffer at the rear of Lot 1 to preserve existing tree grouping and vegetation within the 25 ft. preservation/conservation easement. The subject site total acreage is 1.63 acres and existing zoning is R6A. Lots 2 and 3 will have existing homes remaining and are served by on-site septic system and drain field and connected to potable water.

The current planning staff has reviewed Case No: DEV-0011-21 and found it consistent with Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance subject to conditions.

Mayor McLaurin asked if there was any further discussion or any questions. There were none. Mayor McLaurin asked for a vote to approve/disapprove Case No. DEV-011-21. Council Member Stan Crumpler made a motion to approve Case No. DEV-011-21 and further finds it consistent with the zoning and subdivision ordinance subject to conditions. Council Member Lawrence Buffaloe 2nd the motion. The vote was unanimous for approval.

Agenda Item #2:

Mr. Robert Van Geons, President & CEO of Fayetteville Cumberland Economic Development Corporation

Mr. Geons stated that the Town of Eastover is in its prime for economic development. He stated that he is the President and CEO of Fayetteville Cumberland Economic Development Corporation, and he represents Fayetteville, Cumberland County, and all Municipalities.

Mr. Geons gave the Council a couple of brochures on projects they are currently working on. He told the Council he would love to do more with town of Eastover, as much as the land will allow, or as little as Council wants. He stated he would be looking for sites to develop. Mr. Geons asked the Council to inform him of ideas they have for developing the Town. Each Council Member gave an idea of what they would like to have in Eastover such as a hardware store, a restaurant, a chic fil a, retail stores, feed and seed, herbicide store, or a satellite doctor's office, etc.

He asked the Council to stay abreast of vacant buildings and land. He gave the Council his contact information and told them he would stay in contact as well. After some discussion the Council thanked Mr. Geons for coming and told him they would be in touch with him.

Agenda Item #3:

McGeachy, Hudson, & Zuravel Attorneys at Law Contract

Ms. Elizabeth Bass stated that the contract is for \$400.00 a month. She stated that the funds had been budgeted for this.

Mayor McLaurin asked if there were any questions. There were none. Mayor McLaurin asked for a motion to approve/disapprove the McGeachy, Hudson, and Zuravel Attorney contract.

A motion to approve the McGeachy, Hudson, & Zuravel Attorney Contract was made by Council Member Kim McPhail. Council Member Bruce Sykes 2nd the motion. The vote was unanimous for approval.

Agenda Item #4:

Mr. Tristan Whetsell, Pickleball Association

Mr. Phil Harris stated that the Town of Eastover has a lot of great opportunities with the Pickleball Association. He informed the Council that the Pickleball Association has exploded with lots of members ranging in ages from 6-86. He said that they are planning a pickleball tournament in September to help raise funds for lighting.

Ms. Kensey Thurmond read a letter from an fellow pickle ball player that stated that the Eastover Park was really nice but would like to see improvements. She said the students in the pickleball classes love playing at the Eastover Courts.

Mr. Tristan Whetsell stated that he had talked with a Sport Court about getting new courts and lights established at the new and existing courts. He gave this information to the Council so they could consider this idea.

After some discussion Mayor McLaurin asked for a motion to get bids for lights at the pickleball courts and to get bids to add 4 more courts. Council Member Cheryl Hudson made a motion to move forward with getting bids to set up athletic lights at the pickle ball courts and to get bids to add 4 more courts. Council Member Bruce Sykes 2nd the motion. The vote was unanimous for approval

VII. RECEIVE MAYOR'S UPDATE:

1. 3484 Beard Road now belongs to the Town of Eastover. It is 2 ½ acres. Need ideas as to what this property can be used for.
2. Community Watch is the 2nd Monday of each month
3. Flea Drop light needs to be replaced
4. Tally Woodland Park needs upgrades: the bridge needs replacing, the gazebo needs upgraded, need to make the park safe
5. Eastover Ballpark need to be mulched
6. Meals on wheels-Lebanon Baptist Church Pastor is leaving will need to wait until the new pastor arrives to ask about the Meals on wheels program. Waiting to hear from Salem United Methodist Church

VIII. RECEIVE TOWN COUNCIL UPDATE.

1. 3484 Beard Road is listed has real estate not a mobile home
2. Schedule a work session with Eastover Ballpark Association
3. Need to set up an appointment with Cardinal Landscaping concerning field maintenance at the Eastover Ballpark
4. List of places that need grass mowed, vacant lots overgrown, etc.
5. Junk Shop needs a letter to clean up

6. Cory Circle-need a description of road measurements for the roads to be deeded to the Town

IX. RECEIVE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR’S UPDATE.

None.

X. CONSIDER A MOTION TO ADJOURN.

Mayor McLaurin asked for a motion to adjourn.

A motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Bruce Sykes at 8:26 p.m. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Brian Pearce. The vote was unanimous for approval.

Town of Eastover

Charles G. McLaurin, Mayor

Attest: _____, **Town Clerk**
Elizabeth S. Bass