

**Town of Eastover - Town Council Meeting
Tuesday, July 13, 2021, 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 – July 13, 2021

Mayor Charles G. McLaurin, Council Members: Cheryl C. Hudson, Kimberly F. McPhail, C. Brian Pearce, Bruce R. Sykes, J. Lawrence Buffaloe and M. Stan Crumpler attended the July 13, 2021, Eastover Town Council Meeting. Also, in attendance were Mr. Tim Smith, Town Attorney, Mr. Aaron Calloway, Cumberland County Planning and Inspections, Mr. Ronald Autry, Interim Town Administrator, and Ms. Elizabeth S. Bass, Town Clerk.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Charles McLaurin called the July 13, 2021, Eastover Town Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

II. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Council Member Kimberly McPhail gave the Invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mayor Charles McLaurin asked for a motion to approve/disapprove the agenda as stated. Council Member Cheryl Hudson made a motion to approve the agenda as stated. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Lawrence Buffaloe. The vote was unanimous for approval.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were none.

V. CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1. Consider approval of the Minutes for the June 8, 2021, Town Council Meeting.**
- 2. Consider approval of the Closed Session Minutes for June 8, 2021.**
- 3. Consider approval of the May 2021 Financial Reports.**
- 4. Consider approval of the FY 2022 Cumberland County Sheriff's Contract.**

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

VII. DISCUSSION AGENDA:

Agenda Item #1:

Case #P21-29 rezoning 5.16 +/- ac RR Rural Residential District to RR Rural Residential District/CZ Conditional Zoning District up to 3 lots or a more restrictive zoning district east of Baywood Road and north and west of Tobacco Road, owner(s) Linda Smith and Linda D. Black. (EASTOVER)

Mayor McLaurin opened the public hearing.

Mr. Aaron Calloway, Cumberland County Planning and Inspections, told the Council that Case No. P21-29 was located on the east side of Baywood Road and north and west of Tobacco Road within the Town limits of Eastover. Mr. Calloway stated that this is a request for rezoning of RR Rural Residential District to RR Rural Residential District/CZ Conditional Zoning for the three lots. This is a conditional rezoning with a subdivision plan proposal provided with conditions. This subdivision proposal would accommodate an additional building lot. The proposed subdivision plan and condition sheet are proposed.

After a brief discussion, Mayor McLaurin asked for a vote to close the public hearing. Motion to close the Public Hearing was made by Council Member Cheryl Hudson. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Bruce Sykes. The vote was unanimous for approval.

Council Member Stan Crumpler made a motion to approve Case No. P21-29 for rezoning from RR Rural Residential District to RR Rural Residential District/CZ Conditional Zoning up to 3 lots and find the request is consistent with the Eastover Land Use Plan (2018) which calls for Rural Density at this location. Council Member Lawrence Buffaloe 2nd the motion. The vote was unanimous for approval.

Council Member Stan Crumpler made a motion to approve Case No. P21-29 for “REASONABLENESS” in the public interest because the RR Rural Residential District would allow dwelling types and a density that would be compatible with the surrounding area. Council Member Brian Pearce 2nd the motion. The vote was unanimous for approval.

Agenda Item #2:

Discussion/Approval of the Ordinance Regulating Solid Waste Management and Abandoned, Nuisance, Junked Motor Vehicles.

Mr. Ronald Autry informed the Council that this Ordinance was a draft. The Council discussed the Ordinance and decided that more information needed to be added. The Council would like a fee structure added as well as civil penalties. They wanted it stated specifically in the Ordinance that the Owner of the vehicle would be liable.

The Council decided to table this Ordinance until August 10, 2021, Town Council Meeting. Council Member Cheryl Hudson made a motion to table the Ordinance until August 10, 2021, Town Council Meeting. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Stan Crumpler. The vote was unanimous for approval.

Agenda Item #3:

Resolution 2021-02: Resolution of the Governing Board of the Town of Eastover, Pursuant, to N.C.G.S. § 153A-122, making the Animal Services Ordinance, Chapter 3, Animals, of the Cumberland County Code, applicable within the Town of Eastover.

Council Member Cheryl Hudson stated that Cumberland County has asked all municipalities to adopt this ordinance. This will allow the Town of Eastover and its citizens to participate in the comprehensive plan for the provision of animal control services within its corporate limits.

Mayor McLaurin asked the Council if they had any questions concerning Resolution 2021-02. There were none. Mayor McLaurin asked for a motion to approve/disapprove Resolution 2021-02 as stated.

Council Member Stan Crumpler made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-02 as stated. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Cheryl Hudson. The vote was unanimous for approval.

VII. RECEIVE MAYOR'S UPDATE.

- Duke Energy will be placing lights behind the splashpad at the Eastover Ballpark.
- Town of Eastover needs to purchase a tractor to keep up with the maintenance of the new additions to the Eastover Ballpark
- Federal Funds have been given to the Town of Eastover. All municipalities have been given funds but there are specific guidelines as to how the funds may be spent. There are several meetings coming up to discuss this matter. The closest to the Town of Eastover is on July 20, 2021, at the Godwin Community Building.

VIII. RECEIVE TOWN COUNCIL UPDATE.

- Need to consider an alert system for weather related alerts

IX. RECEIVE TOWN ADAMINISTRATOR'S UPDATE.

- Broad ban is being installed at Hope Mills first. Then other municipalities to follow
- Vape Shop is making improvements for the Deli to be opened.

X. CLOSED SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH GS 143-318.11(a)(6)-Personnel Matters

Council Member Stan Crumpler made a motion to go into closed session. Council Member Cheryl Hudson 2nd the motion. The vote was unanimous for approval.

XI. 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 8:27p.m. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Cheryl Hudson. The vote was unanimous for approval.

Town of Eastover

Charles G. McLaurin, Mayor

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