

**Town of Eastover - Town Council Meeting  
Tuesday, August 14, 2018 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,  Randy P. Lee,  
x Bruce R. Sykes, and  Lee P. Hedgecoe**

**MINUTES OF MEETING – August 14, 2018**

Mayor Charles G. McLaurin, Council Members: Cheryl C. Hudson, Bruce R. Sykes, J. Lawrence Buffaloe, and M. Stan Crumpler were in attendance at the August 14, 2018, Eastover Town Council Meeting. Council Members Lee P. Hedgecoe and Randy P. Lee were absent from the meeting. A quorum was present at the Town Council Meeting. Also in attendance was Attorney Tim Smith, Mr. Aaron Barnes, Cumberland County Planning and Inspections, Mr. Kim Nazarchyk, Town Manager, and Ms. Elizabeth Bass, Town Clerk.

**I. Call to Order:**

Mayor Charles McLaurin called the August 14, 2018 Eastover Town Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

**II. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance:**

Council Member Stan Crumpler gave the Invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. Approval of Agenda:**

Mayor Charles McLaurin asked the Council if they had any questions concerning the Agenda. There were none.

Mayor McLaurin asked for a motion to approve/disapprove the Agenda as stated.

Council Member Stan Crumpler made a motion to approve the Agenda as stated. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Bruce Sykes. The vote was 5-0 for approval.

**IV. Public Comments:**

None.

**V. Consent Agenda:**

- 1. Consider approval of the Minutes for the June 12, 2018 Town Council Meeting.**
- 2. Consider approval of the Closed Session Minutes for the June 12, 2018 Town Council Meeting.**
- 3. Consider approval of the May, 2018 Financial Reports.**
- 4. Consider approval of the June, 2018 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 Lawrence Buffaloe made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as stated. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Cheryl Hudson. The vote was 5-0 for approval.

**VI. Discussion Agenda:**

**Agenda Item #1:**

**Resolution 2018-05: Resolution supporting the Ozone Advance Program.**

**Presented by Mr. Kim Nazarchyk.**

Mr. Nazarchyk said Ms. Denise Bruce is absent so he would present the Resolution.

Mr. Nazarchyk stated Resolution 2018-05 is about the Town of Eastover supporting the Ozone Advance Program. The Town of Eastover would be a willing participant in the development and implementation of an Action Plan to help reduce ground-level ozone concentrations in preparation for the upcoming ozone standard. Mr. Nazarchyk said this Resolution is the same as last years, there are no changes.

Mayor McLaurin asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Mayor McLaurin asked for a motion to approve/disapprove Resolution # 2018-05. Council Member Cheryl Hudson made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-05. Council Member Bruce Sykes 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The vote was 5-0 for approval.

**Agenda Item #2:**

**Mr. Ashley Porter, Principal Eastover Central Elementary School**

Mr. Ashley Porter thanked the Mayor and Council for giving him the opportunity to speak. He said there were three things he wanted to discuss:

1. Eastover Central is still being considered as one in nine schools to be the National Finalist in the Blue Ribbon Exemplary High Performing School Award. The results will be announced in September 2018.
2. The End of Grade test scores have not been certified yet so he cannot say exactly where Eastover Central finished. Mr. Porter said they had a great year in 2017-2018 and knew they did well on the test. He said the results would be finalized in Mid-September or the beginning of October.
3. The school's open house will be held on Thursday August 23, 2018. The first day of school will be Monday August 27, 2018.

**Agenda Item #3:**

**Mr. Danny Matthews, President Eastover Fire Department's Board of Directors**

Mr. Matthews stated the Eastover Fire Department had some hard decisions to be made and the Eastover Fire Department is requesting help from the Town of Eastover. Mr. Matthews said he brought Mr. Richard Hopper and Mr. Herman Britt from the Eastover Fire Department Board of Directors with him. Mr. Matthews stated Mr. Britt and Mr. Hopper would be able to help with any questions the Council may have.

Mr. Matthews stated the Eastover Fire Department has a budget of \$511,000, of those funds, \$304,000 is used to pay a 3 person full time crew, leaving only \$200,000 to pay insurance, buy gear, pay lights, etc. Mr. Matthews said the Eastover Fire Department responded to 1,115 calls in their service area. He stated the calls have increased by 10% from the previous year, however the funding only increased by 1%. Mr. Matthews said it cost the Fire Department \$500.00 every time the trucks are moved. The Eastover Fire Department is required to do more with the same amount of funding.

Mr. Matthews stated that Cumberland County enacted a program called Auto Vehicle Location (AVL). This program states that any vehicle within a 5 mile radius of the last call the fire department that is closest, that fire department MUST respond regardless of the fire district. Eastover Fire Department is routinely going to calls in Baywood, Stone Creek, and Rock Hill Road which are not in the Eastover Fire District.

Mr. Matthews also stated that the Eastover Fire Department has more interstate coverage than any other fire district. The interstates are I95, I295, and Business 95. He said they responded to 87 calls on the interstate and they were not able to get any funding for these calls. That's almost \$43,000 for interstate calls and most of those calls are not Eastover taxpayers.

Mr. Matthews stated the Eastover Fire Department is requesting 3 things:

1. The Town of Eastover to pass an Ordinance or Statute allowing the Eastover Fire Department to charge for a wreck within Eastover Town Limits that happens on the interstate.
2. Adopt the most recent FEMA pay scale.
3. Eastover Fire Department to be given all funding for calls within the Town Limits of Eastover

Mr. Matthews stated the alternative would be to cut back on manpower using only 2 people on weekends and at night time. They could take the Heavy Rescue Truck out of service. Eastover Fire Department has the only Heavy Rescue Truck on this side of the river. They might have to limit the type of medical responses. Mr. Matthews said the last choice is to re-negotiate the contract with Town of Eastover and request the state law tax of \$.15 cent to every 100.

Mr. Matthews stated the Eastover Fire Department is trying to be proactive so they are not in a monetary crisis. Mr. Matthews said the Eastover Fire Department really needs financial help and any and all assistance would be appreciated.

After further discussion the Council decided to table this issue until additional information is obtained. Attorney Tim Smith stated he would be able to report to the Council on the legalities at the next Council Meeting. Mayor McLaurin asked if there was any further discussion needed. There was none. Mayor McLaurin asked for a motion to approve/disapprove tabling this issue until additional information can be gathered and presented to the Council at the next Council Meeting.

A motion was made by Council Member Lawrence Buffaloe to table this issue until additional information can be gathered and presented to the Council at the next meeting. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Stan Crumpler. The vote was 5-0 for approval.

**Agenda Item #4:**

**Discussion for signers on Town of Eastover Deposit/Checking Accounts. (General Fund, Powell Bill and Capital Reserve Accounts)**

**Presented by Mr. Kim Nazarchyk.**

Mr. Nazarchyk stated there are currently four signers on these accounts. Mr. Benny Pearce was one of the signers but he is no longer a Council Member. Therefore, a new signer needs to be added to the signature cards. Council Member Stan Crumpler volunteered to be the fourth signer because he is easily available and accessible.

Council Member Cheryl Hudson made a motion to approve Council Member Stan Crumpler as the new signer on the three checking accounts, the General Fund, the Powell Bill, and the Capital Reserve. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Bruce Sykes. The vote was 5-0 for approval.

**Agenda Item #5:**

**Discussion of Ballpark Site Plan by Crawford Design Company.**

**Presented by Mr. Kim Nazarchyk.**

Mr. Nazarchyk stated this site plan is in combination with the goal of the Eastover Ballpark. The Council previously asked Mr. Nazarchyk to find a company to do a professional site plan with elevations showing what we have now and what we hope to have in the future. Mr. Nazarchyk stated he had contacted two firms, Mr. Jimmy Kizer and Mr. Dale Crawford. He has only received information from Mr. Dale Crawford with Crawford Design Company. Mr. Nazarchyk stated he still had several questions for Mr. Crawford and is only asking the Council for permission to move forward.

The Council had a brief discussion and decided to let Mr. Nazarchyk continue on with the discussion on the site plan for the Eastover Ballpark.

**Agenda Item #6:**

**Case No# P12-46: Sign Modification to a C2(P) Planned Service and Retail/CZ Conditional Zoning for all C2(P) allowed uses on 1.94+/- Acres; Located West of Dunn Road (US Hwy 301), South of SR 2828 (Glenwood Lane); Submitted by Harold G. Furr on behalf of Cam Properties, LLC (Owner).**

Mr. Aaron Barnes stated Case No. P12-46 is concerning sign modification to a C2(P) Planned Service and Retail/CZ conditional Zoning for all C2(P) allowed uses on 1.94+/- Acres. It is located West of Dunn Road (US Hwy 301), South of SR 2828 (Glenwood Lane); and was submitted by Harold G. Furr on behalf of Cam Properties, LLC (Owner).

Mr. Barnes stated the signage meets the Eastover Commercial Core Overlay Standards. The sign will be 40 in. by 72 in. with two brick support structures that bring the total sign footprint to 5 ft. by 9 ft. 4 in.

After some discussion Mayor McLaurin asked if there were any questions. There were none. Mayor McLaurin asked for a vote to approve/disapprove Case No P12-46.

Council Member Lawrence Buffaloe made a motion to approve Case No P12-46. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Cheryl Hudson. The vote was 5-0 for approval.

Council Member Cheryl Hudson made a motion to approve the requested sign as stated in Case No P12-46. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Lawrence Buffaloe. The vote was 5-0 for approval.

**VII. Receive Mayor's Update:**

Mayor McLaurin stated Eastover Heritage Day will be on September 8, 2018. He said he wanted the Town of Eastover to give financial help to the Heritage Day Event. He wanted to make a recommendation for the Town of Eastover to make a donation of \$1500 for portable toilets, tents, and wash stations. He asked Council Member Stan Crumpler to comment. Council Member Crumpler stated the Town usually committed to helping with Heritage Day.

Mayor McLaurin asked for a motion to approve the \$1,500.00 donation to Heritage Day for portable toilets, tents, and wash stations. Council Member Stan Crumpler made a motion to approve a \$1,500.00 donation to Heritage Day for portable toilets, tents, and wash stations. Council Member Bruce Sykes 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The vote was 5-0 for approval.

Mayor McLaurin told Mr. Nazarchyk that an extra Deputy would be needed the night before Heritage Day, September 7, because vendors would have their merchandise at the Ballpark. Mr. Nazarchyk stated that the budget has allocated \$2,000.00 to be used on

Heritage Day. He said these funds are for whatever is needed. The Council then withdrew their earlier vote.

Council Member Stan Crumpler made a motion to withdraw the previous vote of a \$1,500.00 donation to heritage day for portable toilets, tents, and wash stations. Council Member Bruce Sykes 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The vote was 5-0 for approval.

Council Member Cheryl Hudson made a motion to use the \$2,000.00 budgeted for Heritage Day and any additional funds needed for the extra Deputy is to come from the Sheriff's Office budget. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Stan Crumpler. The vote was 5-0 for approval.

Mayor McLaurin wanted to set up a tent with the plans for the future of Eastover Ballpark. Mayor McLaurin is hoping to get the community involved. He said let's do the best we can.

Mayor McLaurin stated the new signs for the ballpark should be placed on hold until the construction is completed.

On September 8<sup>th</sup>, at Heritage Day the Eastover Fire Department, Eastover Ballpark, and Stedman will be playing in the Old Brown Baseball game. Mayor McLaurin said he wanted Eastover Fire Department to be the first in line for the parade and to have a tent there for the children.

#### **VIII. Receive Town Council Update:**

- Countywide Ethics training was nice event and the County is hoping to be able to do that annually. Council Members: Bruce Sykes, Cheryl Hudson, and Stan Crumpler attended the training.
- At the Mayors coalition it was mentioned that the City of Fayetteville is willing to move forward with the Sales Tax Agreement.

#### **IX. Receive Town Managers Update:**

Mr. Nazarchyk stated the power to the shed, bathroom and splash pads will require extra electrical poles. There will be three above ground poles. This takes space away from the extra parking area. Duke Energy will have to have an easement to get power supplied.

Mr. Nazarchyk said he would gather more information and present it to the Council at the next Town Council Meeting.

**X. Consider a Motion to Adjourn:**

Mayor McLaurin asked for a motion to adjourn.

A motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Lawrence Buffaloe at 8:25p.m. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Stan Crumpler. The vote was 5-0 for approval.

**Town of Eastover**

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**Charles G. McLaurin, Mayor**

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_, Town Clerk  
**Elizabeth S. Bass**