# TOWN OF MAXTON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TOWN MEETING July 16, 2024 7:00 p.m. Minutes

The Board of Commissioners of Maxton, North Carolina met in formal session in the meeting chambers of the Town of Maxton Town Hall located at 201 McCaskill Avenue Maxton, North Carolina at 7:00 p.m.

Attendees: Mayor Christopher Bethea- McDougal, Mayor Pro Tem Virgil Hutchinson, Commissioner Toni Bethea, Commissioner Michael Hines, Commissioner Paul McDowell, and Commissioner Victor Womack

Staff Present: Town Manager Angela Pitchford, Town Clerk Amber Quatkemeyer, Finance Director Myra Tyndell, Town Attorney Timothy Snead, Police Chief Shirra Johnson, and Wastewater Director Dennis Freeman.

Call to Order- Mayor Christopher Bethea-McDougal

**Invocation-** Commissioner Bethea

Does any member have any known conflict of interest and appearances of conflict with respect to any matter coming before the board today? If so, please identify the conflict and refrain from any participation in the particular matter involved. None

## Approval of Consent Agenda:

- 1. Minutes from Board Meeting Work Session of June 18, 2024
- 2. Minutes from Board Meeting of June 18, 2024
- 3. Minutes from Budget Meeting of June 26, 2024
- 4. Tax Adjustment from May 15, 2024 to July 9, 2024

Mayor Bethea- McDougal request a motion to approve Consent Agenda. Commissioner McDowell made the motion and it was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hutchinson. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

# Approval of Proposed Agenda:

Mayor Bethea- McDougal request a motion to approve Proposed Agenda. Commissioner McDowell made the motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Womack. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

#### **New Business:**

a) Approval to Raise a Man Hole

Mayor Bethea-McDougal requested a motion to approve. Mayor Pro Tem Hutchinson made the motion and Commissioner McDowell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

- b) Approval to Rehab Pump Station #9
  Dennis Freeman stated that he is not looking for a vote tonight but wanted to make the Board aware the cost of this project that needs to be completed.
- c) Approval of ADA Pathway Construction for KaBoom Playground Mayor Bethea-McDougal requested a motion. Commissioner Womack made the motion to approve the lowest bidder and Commissioner Bethea seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.
- d) Recreation Board Applications

Mayor Bethea-McDougal requested a motion. Commissioner Bethea made the motion to approve all three applications and Mayor Pro Tem Hutchinson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

- e) Planning- Zoning Board Applications
  Mayor Bethea-McDougal request a motion. Commissioner McDowell made a motion to approve
  both applications and Commissioner Bethea seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and
  the motion carried.
- f) Housing Authority Board Applications
  Mayor Bethea-McDougal request a motion. Commissioner McDowell made the motion to
  approve Minnie Miller and Cynthia Johnson's applications, Mayor Pro Tem Hutchinson
  seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.
- g) Approval for the Finance Director to pay off the Amount Owed on vehicles Purchased in 2018

Mayor Bethea-McDougal request a motion to approve. Commissioner Womack made the motion to approve and Mayor Pro Tem Hutchinson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

<u>Public Forum:</u> (2 MINUTES ONLY) NOTE: Please state your full legal name. The board & staff will not respond to individual comments or questions during the public forum. If you want our staff members to follow up with you, you can give your address and phone number to the Town Clerk.

Charles McAurthor stated that he has spoken to Manager Pitchford concerning a nuisance tree at the cemetery and has since had the tree cut down via approval of the Tree board.

Joe Hines has concerns about the professionalism of the Police Department. He stated they should be retrained.

Mary McNeil stated she has been receiving donations for the upcoming playground Build.

## Reports:

#### Recreation

Jamie Smith reported on Recreation stating that the times for summer events will be pushed later into the days due to the excessive heat recently. The team is also working to find better ways to save funds.

# **Police Department**

Chief Johnson stated that the Department is working on a few programs and the will be selecting a K-9 soon due to Officer Jordan Hunts efforts on gaining donations for it.

## Manager

Manager Pitchford stated the she has been working on the Code Enforcement Contract as well as working with Witt O'Brian to receive grants. Also the Fireworks will be displayed on National Night Out.

# Commissioners Report

Mayor McDougal Congratulated the Board Applicants.

## Adjourn

Mayor McDougal request to adjourn meeting. Commissioner McDowell made the motion and Mayor Pro Tem Hutchinson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Charles Quatkaneyee