

Town of Eastover - Town Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 1, 2013, 7:00 p.m.
Eastover Community Center
x☐Mayor Charles G. McLaurin, Presiding Council Members: x☐Lawrence Buffaloe,
x☐Willie Geddie, ☐Cheryl Hudson, x☐Donald Hudson, x☐Benny Pearce,
and x☐Sara Piland

MINUTES OF MEETING – October 1, 2013

Mayor Charles McLaurin, Council Members Sara Piland, Lawrence Buffaloe, Willie Geddie, Donald Hudson, and Benny Pearce were in attendance at the October 1, 2013 Eastover Town Council Meeting. A quorum was present. Also in attendance were Mr. Kim Nazarchyk, Town Manager, the Town Clerk Jane Faircloth, Administrative Assistant Debra Schmidt, Mr. John Jackson, Town Attorney and Mr. Matt Rooney from the Cumberland County Planning & Inspections Department. Council Member Cheryl Hudson was absent from the meeting, however she did provide a signed Waiver of Absence prior to the meeting.

I. Call to Order:

Mayor Charles McLaurin called the October 1, 2013 meeting of the Eastover Town Council to Order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

II. Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance:

Council Member Lawrence Buffaloe asked all in attendance to have a moment of silent prayer, and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Approval of Agenda:

Council Member Donald Hudson made a motion to approve the Agenda as stated. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Sara Piland. The vote was unanimous for approval.

IV. Public Comments:

Mayor Charles McLaurin asked the Clerk if there were any speakers for public comments. The Clerk stated that we did not have anyone signed up for public comments.

V. Consent Agenda:

1. Consider approval of the September 3, 2013 Town Council Meeting Minutes.
2. Consider approval of the September 17, 2013 Special Town Council Meeting Minutes.
3. Consider approval of the August 31, 2013 Financial Report.

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

VI. Discussion Agenda:

UPDATE ON CASE NO. P13-43, REZONING OF 1.30+/- ACRES FROM AL AGRICULTURAL TO R30A RESIDENTIAL OR TO A MORE RESTRICTIVE ZONING DISTRICT: LOCATED ON THE SOUTHWEST SIDE OF SR 1721 (TOM GEDDIE ROAD). NORTHEAST OF SR 1725 (MIDDLE ROAD); SUBMITTED BY JOHN WILLIAM AUTRY JR.

Mr. Nazarchyk asked to have an update from Mr. Rooney on CASE NO. P13-43. Mr. Kim Nazarchyk stated that it went through the Joint Planning Board last week. Mr. Matt Rooney, Cumberland County Planning & Inspections Department, said the petitioner withdrew the request on the September 17, 2013 and provided a written notice on the September 19, 2013. Since it was withdrawn, it cannot be submitted for another year to the planning board.

Agenda Item #1:

CASE NO. 96-409. CONSIDERATION OF THE BAYWOOD ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH REQUEST: A1 SITE PLAN REVIEW, COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE; ZONING A1; TOTAL ACREAGE: 4.29 +/-; LOCATION: 2441 BAYWOOD ROAD (SR 1831) (EASTOVER).

Mr. Matt Rooney provided a briefing regarding Non-Public Hearing **CASE NO. 96-409**. The developer is requesting approval of the addition of a fellowship hall to the existing religious worship activity. Mr. Rooney stated that it was being done as a site plan rather than group development since the buildings will be connected. Existing shrubs fill in the building requirement.

Council Member Sara Piland approved the motion. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Donald Hudson. The vote was unanimous for approval.

Agenda Item #2:

Presentation by Mr. Mike Rutan on Consideration of Resolution and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding Fayetteville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (FAMPO)

Mr. Rutan, Transportation Planner for Fayetteville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (FAMPO), Cumberland County, provided an overview of the FAMPO organization. FAMPO is a multi-jurisdictional agency established by Congress and funded through the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration. The planning area includes the Fayetteville Urbanized Area as defined by the Census Bureau, in addition to the surrounding areas which are anticipated to be developed to Urban Standards within the next 20 years.

FAMPO is responsible for conducting Continuing, Comprehensive, and Cooperative (3C's) Transportation Planning. They are also responsible for Long Range Transportation Planning and Prioritization of Federal Transportation Aid Projects in Urbanized Areas. FAMPO is required to approve the expenditure of all Federal Aid Transportation funds within the Planning Area. Mr. Rutan stated that the communities have grown since the U.S. 2000-2010 census. The Town of Eastover was not included in the U.S. 2000-2010 census and original FAMPO Memorandum of Understanding in 2003.

There will be 4 new municipalities incorporated into their organization. The new municipalities are the Town of Eastover, Robeson County, Parkton, and the City of Raeford. Membership fee to the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) requires an annual fee of \$2,000.00.

The TAC will serve as a forum for cooperative transportation planning decision making for the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The TAC will meet as often as it is deemed appropriate and advisable, normally on a quarterly basis. Council Member Sara Piland agreed to be the representative on the TAC for the Town of Eastover and will serve as a voice on this committee. Council Member Sara Piland will have to complete a "Statement of Economic Interest" and "Statement of Real Estate Holdings". It does not require any additional ethics training.

Council Member Lawrence Buffaloe made a motion to accept nomination of Council Member Sara Piland to serve as representative on the TAC. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Donald Hudson. The vote was unanimous for approval.

Mr. Kim Nazarchyk, the Town Manager, stated that the Council had requested some information on what the future of 301 Dunn Road might be. In talking with the Department of Transportation (DOT), he was told to request this information from FAMPO, and he had asked Mr. Rutan to present this to the Council tonight. Mr. Rutan explained the process starts with FAMPO and Metropolitan Transportation Planning holds public meetings. The base year is 2010 with 2040 being the horizon year. FAMPO takes demographic development and population group estimates out to 2040 for future travel demands on the highways. That is how roads get identified as needing improvements. United States Highway 301 is in the highway plan, but it is only classified as needing improvement and not a high priority.

Agenda Item #3:

Consider selection for architect for Eastover Town Hall design.

Mr. Kim Nazarchyk, Town Manager, stated that he had received 9 requests for qualifications for the Eastover Town Hall design contract. Council Members narrowed it down to 2 after committee review and presentation to the full Council. Last week the full Council interviewed the principals of those two firms. Mr. Nazarchyk requested that the Town Council make a final decision on which firm they are going to select for the Eastover Town Hall design.

Council Member Donald Hudson made a motion to move forward with the firm of LSV Associates. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Sara Piland. The vote was unanimous for approval.

VII. RECEIVE MAYOR'S UPDATE.

Mayor Charles McLaurin introduced Boy Scout Chase Rockwell. Chase told the Council Members that he has earned 135 merit badges over the past two years and is working on obtaining the "Eagle Scout Badge". Chase attends Mac Williams Elementary School. Mayor Charles McLaurin congratulated Chase on what he is trying to do.

Mayor Charles McLaurin informed the Council Members that an Eastover resident (Amelia Labrador) would like the establishment of an exercise program and get the communities together. Exercise is more important than the medicine you take. Mayor McLaurin said he will get involved with this at the Eastover Civic Club meeting.

VIII. RECEIVE TOWN COUNCIL UPDATE.

None.

IX. RECEIVE TOWN MANAGERS UPDATE.

Mr. Nazarchyk was asked to look into procedures for applying for a grant with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for a "Bicycle and Pedestrian" pathway for the Town of Eastover. He shared the proposed bike path for the Town of Eastover that FAMPO had prepared. The current plan follows Dunn Road, comes up Beard Road and Tom Geddie Road. Since the Town of Eastover has a population of less than 5,000, they can seek grants for both bicycle and pedestrian pathways. They are eligible to apply for \$40,000.00 and there is an 80/20 split, so the Town would have to provide \$8,000.00. Applications opened September 19, 2013 and are due by December 15, 2013. The applications must be endorsed by local Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) or Rural Planning Organization (RPO); whichever exist in the area. Nominations are made in March 2014. The Department of Transportation makes the selections in June 2014 and within 6 weeks the municipalities who will receive the grants are notified.

The Town has 18 months to submit their plan and it is on a reimbursable basis. You can use a consultant, your own staff, or the Cumberland County Planning Office. Mr. Thomas Lloyd, Cumberland County Planning Office, and Maurizia Chapman with FAMPO have both volunteered their staff to assist the Town of Eastover with the planning. If the Council Members decide to pursue the Grant, they need

a signed Resolution and must submit the initial request to MPO by October 15, 2013. Once MPO endorses it, the Town of Eastover can submit their application. Detailed plans need to be submitted and approved by the DOT. Mr. Nazarchyk informed the Council that if they wish to pursue, he could draft a Resolution, have it reviewed by the Town Attorney, and present to the Mayor for signing prior to October 15, 2013.

Council Member Sara Piland made a motion to approve the Resolution and authorize Mayor Charles McLaurin to sign. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Benny Pearce. The vote was unanimous for approval.

Mr. Nazarchyk stated that at the June 4, 2013 Council meeting the Town Council established a meeting schedule for reviewing the performance of the Town Manager. One of these is scheduled for October and would include a look at performance, evaluate objectives and modify if necessary. He recommended that the Town Council hold a "Closed Session" on October 15, 16, 17, 23 or 24 for performance review of the Town Manager. At the same session, the Council could also provide direction as to the amount of service needed from the architect. The Town Attorney said this could be held in Closed Session also if the Council so desired. Mr. Nazarchyk will send an email to Council Members to determine the best date for the meeting.

X. CONSIDER A MOTION TO ADJOURN.

A motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Benny Pearce at 7:46 p.m. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Lawrence Buffaloe. The vote was unanimous for approval.

_____, **Administrative Assistant**
Debra R. Schmidt

Town of Eastover

Charles G. McLaurin, Mayor

Attest: _____, **Town Clerk**
Jane F. Faircloth