

**Town of Eastover - Town Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 11, 2016 7:00 p.m.
Eastover Community Center**

**x☐Mayor Charles G. McLaurin, Presiding; Council Members: x☐J. Lawrence Buffaloe,
x☐M. Stan Crumpler, ☐Cheryl C. Hudson, x☐Randy P. Lee,
x☐Benny M. Pearce and ☐Lee P. Hedgecoe**

MINUTES OF MEETING – October 11, 2016

Mayor Charles G. McLaurin, Council Members: J. Lawrence Buffaloe, M. Stan Crumpler, Benny M. Pearce, and Randy P. Lee were in attendance at the October 11, 2016, Eastover Town Council Meeting. Council Member Lee P. Hedgecoe and Cheryl C. Hudson was absent from the meeting, but provided a written waiver of notice prior to the October 11, 2016, Town Council Meeting. A quorum was present at the Town Council Meeting. Also in attendance were Attorney Neil Yarborough, Mr. Kim Nazarchyk, Town Manager, Ms. Jane Faircloth, Town Clerk, and Ms. Elizabeth Bass, Administrative Assistant.

I. Call to Order:

Mayor Charles G. McLaurin called the October 11, 2016 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 gave the Invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor McLaurin asked Alice Cashwell to please come up to the podium and introduce herself and the Eastover Beauty Queens. The Town of Eastover has not had a pageant in over 2 years. Ms. Cashwell stated she started the pageant up again because it gave the girls life skills and it was a great representation of Eastover.

Each young lady stood up and introduced themselves to the Council. Teen Miss Eastover: Avery Pickett, Young Miss Eastover: Emily Grace Raynor, Junior Miss Eastover: Rachel Leonard, and Little Miss Eastover: Johnna Gabrielle Chavis. Ms. Cashwell stated Miss Eastover, Audrey Moore was unable to be there because she was out of town.

Ms. Cashwell and the Eastover Beauty Queens thanked the Eastover Town Council for giving them the opportunity to come out and introduce them. Mayor McLaurin and the Town Council thanked Ms. Cashwell for all her hard work and for getting the pageant started again for the Town. The Mayor and Council also thanked each Queen for coming to the meeting.

III. Approval of Agenda:

Mayor 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 Randy Lee made a motion to approve the Agenda as stated. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Stan Crumpler. The vote was 5-0 for approval.

IV. Public Comments:

Administrative Assistant Elizabeth Bass had signed up to speak. She wanted to thank all the Council Members and Mayor for their thoughtfulness, kindness, and prayers they sent her and her family during their time of loss. She thanked the Council and the Mayor for the cards and flowers that were sent to her. She told the Council she truly appreciated them.

Ms. Shirley McLaurin, First Lady of Eastover, also signed up to speak. Ms. McLaurin informed the Council her church (Lebanon Baptist Church) would be serving a meal to those still without power and would also be offering a hot shower. She stated Mr. Mike Gavin from Gavin's IGA donated chickens to the church to help those in need. Ms. McLaurin asked the Council to please let anyone in need know of the dinner and showers. The person or persons may go to Lebanon Baptist Church on Thursday October 13, 2016 between the hours of 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

V. Consent Agenda:

1. Consider approval of the Closed Session Minutes for the August 9, 2016 Town Council Meeting.
2. Consider approval of the Closed Session Minutes for the September 13, 2016 Town Council Meeting.
3. Consider approval of the Minutes for the September 13, 2016 Town Council Meeting.
4. Consider approval of the August, 2016 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 2nd by Council Member Benny Pearce. The vote was 5-0 for approval.

VI. Discussion Agenda:

Agenda Item #1:

Presentation by Mr. Ashley Porter, Principal Eastover Central Elementary School.

Mr. Ashley Porter, Principal of Eastover Central Elementary School, stated he really appreciated the Council giving him a few moments to speak. He told the Council about the 2016-17 school years. He stated the year has gotten off to a wonderful start.

Mr. Porter stated Progress Reports have already been sent home. He also said the 3rd grade students had to take a statewide test. Mr. Porter stated Eastover Central's 3rd graders received a total score of 62%, the average is a little below 50%. The Council and Mayor were very impressed and expressed their gratitude to Mr. Porter and his staff for such a wonderful accomplishment.

Principal Porter told the Council he would like to continue the working relationship with them. He informed the Council of invitations they would be receiving to various events the school would be having. He thanked Mayor McLaurin for coming to their 5th grade graduation last year. The Mayor and Council Members thanked Principal Porter and told him they would love to continue the relationship they have now.

Agenda Item #2:

Discussion of allowing use of "Inflatables" on Town property

Town Manager Kim Nazarchyk stated the Town is not protected by insurance for inflatables. He stated there were two upcoming events where the inflatables would be used, Heritage and Heroes Day on October 29, 2016, and the Police Department has a scheduled event at the Eastover Ballpark for November 4, 2016.

After much discussion from the Council it was decided the Town Attorney and the Mr. Nazarchyk would develop a policy for the use of inflatables on the Town's property.

VII. Receive Mayor's Update:

Mayor McLaurin Stated two of our Council Members were affected by Hurricane Matthew, Council Member Cheryl Hudson and Council Member Lee Hedgecoe. He stated they were doing well but had flooding in their home. He also stated community member Ms. Liz Reeser also had some damage. Mayor McLaurin said 17 people so far have died in North Carolina. To his knowledge none have come from Eastover.

Mayor McLaurin reminded the Council the Boy Scouts will be honoring Kurt Tatum Jr. on Friday October 14, 2016.

VIII. Receive Town Council Update:

None.

IX. Receive Town Managers Update:

Mr. Nazarchyk stated due to the Hurricane the Town Hall had some damage. He said the roof came off causing rain to get into the office. The only equipment affected is two phones, all computers are up and working. He stated the 1400 pound fireproof file cabinets are not damaged.

Eastover had road damage, James Dail Road-washed out, Baywood Road-washed out, and Draughon Road has a sinkhole. The County will be sending information about disaster relief.

X. Closed Session

Mayor McLaurin asked for a motion to go into **Closed Session** in accordance with GS 143-318.11 (a) (5) Attorney Client Privilege. A motion to go into closed session was made by Council Member Randy Lee. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Stan Crumpler. The vote was 5-0 for approval.

A motion to return to **Open Session** was made by Council Member Randy Lee. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Stan Crumpler. The vote was 5-0 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 Randy Lee at 8:15 p.m. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Lawrence Buffaloe. The vote was 5-0 for approval.

_____, Administrative Assistant
Elizabeth S. Bass

Town of Eastover

Charles G. McLaurin, Mayor

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