

**Town of Eastover - Town Council Meeting
Tuesday, November 8, 2016 7:00 p.m.
Eastover Community Center**

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

MINUTES OF MEETING – November 8, 2016

Mayor Charles G. McLaurin, Council Members: Cheryl C. Hudson, J. Lawrence Buffaloe, M. Stan Crumpler, Benny M. Pearce, and Randy P. Lee were in attendance at the November 8, 2016, Eastover Town Council Meeting. Council Member Lee P. Hedgecoe was absent from the meeting, but provided a written waiver of notice prior to the November 8, 2016, Town Council Meeting. A quorum was present at the Town Council Meeting. Also in attendance were Attorney Tim Smith, 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 November 8, 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 Stan Crumpler gave the Invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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 Cheryl Hudson made a motion to approve the Agenda as stated. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Randy Lee. The vote was 6-0 for approval.

IV. Public Comments:

Mr. David (Trei) Williams, President of the Eastover Ballpark Association signed up to speak. Mr. Williams stated the Eastover Ballpark Association and Fayetteville Parks and Recreation have partnered together to renovate the Eastover Ballpark. He stated the ballfield will be repaired for drainage issues so no more flooding will occur. Mr. Williams said in approximately 3 weeks they will begin clearing the 39 acre lot, beginning with the front 12 acres. He stated the first phase would be to bulldoze the tract and level the field. Then next phase will be to decide where to place the additions. Mr. Williams stated there was a possibility for new tennis courts and a beach volleyball area to be added on to the new lot. The Association also plans to build new sidewalks and add additional landscaping.

Mr. Williams said the ballpark currently has 6 competitive sports using the ballpark. Eastover had 3 soccer teams to win a championship and 2 teams are currently playing for a championship.

V. Consent Agenda:

1. Consider approval of the Closed Session Minutes for the October 11, 2016 Town Council Meeting.
2. Consider approval of the Minutes for the October 11, 2016 Town Council Meeting.
3. Consider approval of the September, 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 6-0 for approval.

VI. Discussion Agenda:

Agenda Item #1:

Presentation by Mr. Danny Matthews, President of the Board of Directors for Eastover Fire Department.

Mr. Matthews stated the Eastover Fire Department responded to 39 emergency calls, of the 39, 24 were water rescue calls. The Fire Department was able to rescue 31 people from flooding. On the first day of the flood the Fire Department was able to work approximately 7

miles away but could go no farther. The second day was only 6.9 miles due to the rising water. The third day they were able to do rescues in a 26 mile radius.

Mr. Matthews said during the hurricane the Eastover Fire Department was able to use the generator and was able to feed and house several flooding victims. Ice and water were also available to anyone who needed it. He stated at one point there were 35 people at the fire station. Mr. Matthews said they were able to feed these people because of Gavin's IGA.

Mr. Matthews said a team of Swift Water Rescuers from New Jersey came down to help in the rescue efforts. He said the Eastover Fire Department was able to house and feed them, as well as maintain a fuel supply for their equipment and the Fire Departments. Mr. Matthews said the Fire Department was able to help in several water rescues due to their jet boat. He stated they assisted in the rescue efforts at Rhodes Pond and at Black River.

Mr. Matthews said he truly appreciated the Council for their support. Mayor McLaurin said the Council and the community were grateful to the Eastover Fire Department. Mayor McLaurin said we are all a family, the Council, the Ballpark Association, Community Watch, the Fire Department, etc. He stated we all work together to benefit the community.

VII. Receive Mayor's Update:

Mayor McLaurin stated the Mayors Coalition will meet in February and Eastover will be hosting the event. He said at the last meeting the Sales Tax Distribution was not discussed. He stated Hurricane Matthew and the devastation it caused was the main topic of discussion at the meeting.

Mayor McLaurin stated the canals and ditches need to be cleaned. People who own the property with ditches need to be made aware they have to clean them. The Department of Transportation will not clean them unless it is state owned. Town Manager, Kim Nazarchyk, stated the Clerk of Court is getting a committee together to look at the Eastover Drainage situation.

Mayor McLaurin said new Gateway signs have been purchased. The new signs will be placed on Rock Hill Road and on James Dail Road.

Mayor McLaurin gave a special thank you to Council Member's Cheryl Hudson, Stan Crumpler and Randy Lee for their dedication and hard work at the Eastover Heritage and Heroes Day. Council Member Cheryl Hudson said it was a combined effort from a whole bunch of people. She stated Mr. Tom Melvin and Ms. Helen Crumpler were most helpful. Council Member Stan Crumpler said there were several Veterans in attendance. He stated the Veterans were able to give the younger generation insight and understanding about World War II.

VIII. Receive Town Council Update:

Council Member Randy Lee stated the World War II Memorial dedication had to be moved to December 7th. He stated this was a better day because it is Pearl Harbor Day and that is when the United States joined the war.

Council Member Cheryl Hudson asked if anyone would be willing to take her spot on the FAMPO Committee. She said there are 4 meetings in a year. The next meeting will be in January of 2017. Council Member Randy Lee stated he would be glad to take her spot.

A motion to have Council Member Randy Lee to serve on the FAMPO Committee was made by Council Member Cheryl Hudson. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Stan Crumpler. The vote was 6-0 for approval.

Council Member Cheryl Hudson suggested the Town of Eastover write a letter to the IGA Headquarters on behalf of Mr. Mike Gavin of Gavin's IGA for the support he has given the community over the years. She also mentioned writing a letter to Mr. Gavin, or presenting him with an Appreciation Plaque. All the Council Members and the Mayor agreed.

IX. Receive Town Managers Update:

Town Manager Kim Nazarchyk stated he will be getting proposals together for the clearing of the newly purchased end of Ballpark Road. Once the proposals are received he will present them to the Council.

Mr. Nazarchyk stated a representative from Up and Coming Weekly came by the Town Hall and wanted to know if the Town of Eastover would like to purchase a full page ad in their quarterly pocket guide. The total cost would be \$1,200.00. Mayor McLaurin suggested making a handout about the Town of Eastover to give to new residents. The flyer could contain information about the Eastover Ballpark, Eastover Fire Department, Eastover Civic Club, surrounding churches/schools, etc. The Council decided not to purchase the ad from Up & Coming weekly.

XI. 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 7:50 p.m. The motion was 2nd by Council Member Benny Pearce. The vote was 6-0 for approval.

_____, **Administrative Assistant**
Elizabeth S. Bass

Town of Eastover

Charles G. McLaurin, Mayor

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