

Eastover Town Council Special Meeting
Tuesday, September 11, 2018, at the Eastover Community Center,
4008 School Street, beginning at 5:00PM.

Mayor Charles McLaurin, presiding.

**Council Members attending: Lawrence Buffaloe,
Stan Crumpler, and Cheryl Hudson.**

**Excused Medical Absences: Council Members Lee Hedgecoe, Randy Lee, and
Bruce Sykes.**

Also in attendance was Town Manager Kim Nazarchyk.

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Council met at 5:00PM, and after a brief meal, Mayor McLaurin called the Planning Meeting to order at 5:28PM. He then recognized Mr. Nazarchyk who updated Council on the following items:

- **Expansion of Street Lights:** Duke Energy and SRE are both working on the encroachment agreements with NCDOT, and hope to start work by early October. Both companies have concerns about coming storm.
- **Ballpark site plan:** Del Crawford should have contract prepared for Mayor's signature early next week (Sept 17-19), and should have work completed within 30-45 days.
- **School Street repairs:** NCDOT has accepted the design presented by John Sanderson with stipulation that materials and workmanship meet their standards, and that the Town obtain encroachment approval from NCDOT. Application for encroachment is in process, and Mr. Sanderson hopes to pull the "catch basin" on south side of School St. tomorrow (Wednesday 9/12) to determine need for repair/replacement (weather permitting). Will try to have estimate to me by end of September.

Council then had discussions on the following items:

- **Ballpark Expansion:** This will continue to be a priority with Council, and planning will be underway to complete the 12 items listed earlier this year. (See attachment.)

- **Community Building:** Mr. Nazarchyk has talked with County Engineer, Jeff Brown, and was told that the Town could create handicap spaces without having to delineate the other 18-19 parking spaces. Council instructed Mr. Nazarchyk to obtain bids for two handicap spaces. Council also discussed the possibility of putting a “finishing coat” on the existing concrete around the building versus replacement. Mr. Nazarchyk is to also obtain bids on these, but wooden expansion joints could be a problem for just a top coating. The two “holes” would also be filled with concrete.

- **Flea Hill Drainage:** Mr. Nazarchyk asked Council for approval to arrange a meeting with Atty. Price (Lumberton, N.C.) to begin plans for how to address the canal issue. USDA has stated that no funding from them will be available until 2024, but any organized efforts to improve the canals should begin immediately. Mr. Nazarchyk voiced that funds may need to be expended for consultation with Atty. Price. Council approved this, and two Council Members will be involved, plus Adam Carter, if possible, as he has agreed to serve on the Flea Hill Drainage District Board (once re-established).

- **Storm water runoff from future development:** Mr. Nazarchyk presented information regarding Michael McAllister and Municipal Engineering Services (MEC) in Garner. The company has a reputation of working well with small municipalities regarding engineering needs, particular water runoff from new development. Mr. Nazarchyk has talked with the towns of Fremont, Kenly, and Lillington, and received favorable responses. He also stated that Patti Speicher (Cumberland Cty) has had positive experiences with this company in the past. Council instructed Mr. Nazarchyk to arrange for a presentation from Mr. McAllister at an afternoon meeting.

- **Town Hall Construction** - Council had a lengthy discussion regarding “what ifs” for a new town hall. Indications are that a sales tax distribution agreement with Fayetteville is close, with a five (5) year extension of the current agreement. Council must decide if they wish to proceed with construction, or consider other interim options. Much concern was expressed regarding the current location, particular with regard to backing out onto Dunn Road. Council will have further discussion on this matter with the entire board present, but instructed Mr. Nazarchyk to obtain information on the Sanderson property, and the property currently under renovation by Mr. Sealy.

Council then had some discussion on properties that may become available near the ballpark, and closed with Mr. Nazarchyk asking that another planning meeting be held on November 13th, prior to the regular monthly meeting. Council agreed to this.

Motion to Adjourn was made by Ms. Hudson at 6:38PM, and a second by Mr. Buffaloe. Motion was approved 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Kim Nazarchyk, Town Manager

Charles G. McLaurin, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Town Clerk