

MINUTES OF MEETING OF MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL HELD
APRIL 4, 2017

WORK SESSION

The Mayor and Council of the City of Goldsboro, North Carolina, met in a Work Session in the Large Conference Room, City Hall Addition, 200 North Center Street, at 5:00 p.m. on April 4, 2017 with attendance as follows:

Present: Mayor Chuck Allen, Presiding
Mayor Pro Tem Bevan Foster
Councilmember Antonio Williams
Councilmember Bill Broadaway
Councilmember Mark Stevens
Councilmember David Ham
Councilmember Gene Aycock
Jim Womble, Attorney
Scott Stevens, City Manager
Melissa Corser, City Clerk
Randy Guthrie, Assistant City Manager
Jimmy Rowe, Planning Director
Jennifer Collins, Assistant Planning Director
Kaye Scott, Finance Director
Rick Fletcher, Interim Public Works Director
Mike West, Police Chief
Mike Wagner, Interim Public Utilities Director
Shycole Simpson-Carter, Community Relations Director
Pamela Leake, Interim HR Director
Gary Whaley, Fire Chief
Bobby Croom, Traffic Engineer
Ashlin Glatther, Travel & Tourism Director
Rochelle Moore, Goldsboro News-Argus
Lonnie Casey, Citizen
Carl Martin, Citizen
Mark Colebrook, Citizen
Makaila Colebrook, Citizen
Chrétien Dumond, Citizen
Yvonnia Moore, Citizen
Bobby Mathis, Citizen (arrived at 5:08 p.m.)
Della Mathis, Citizen (arrived at 5:08 p.m.)
Ron Lawrence, Attorney (arrived at 5:35 p.m.)

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Allen at 5:00 p.m.

Invocation. The invocation was provided by Councilmember Broadaway.

Use of City Stage. Mr. Scott Stevens stated last year we purchased a stage is primarily for City events and DGDC's use with their Center Street jams. So that is where we have held it at this point in terms of use of the stage. We have had a number requests from other outside agencies, particularly nonprofits and I wanted to gauge your interest and willingness for us to work with nonprofits in the use of the stage. If you have an interest in allowing I think what I would suggest is one require they insure it so if it is damaged we have some insurance on it; maybe consider renting it for \$400 a day, that would cover our costs to set it up and come back to take it down when the event is over, we would not generally leave it up overnight. We have a May event that is asking, that is what really generated the question today is would we allow it for that event and I had told them we generally had not but I know we will get future requests. The Chili Cook-off has generally used what we setup as a stage in the past, the Taste of Wayne being downtown has not used our stage but I could anticipate other groups wanting to use the stage. If we were going to I would at least offer you consider keeping it in the MSD for a period of time and if it works in the MSD or downtown area for public events, they pay

the rent and it is a non-profit group, if you were willing to try then we would do that and if not we will just share we do not allow outside groups to use the stage.

Council discussed. Councilmember Stevens asked how much the stage cost, Mr. Scott Stevens replied about \$25,000 for a refurbished stage.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster asked if the DGDC pays for use of the stage.

Mr. Stevens replied they have paid some, they have not paid a substantial amount, we have not discussed the \$400 month. What they did have was what we setup for them that were two tractor trailers that were donated to them that took a tremendous amount of time for us, we were going to scrap those, they are owned by the nonprofit side of DGDC, we are getting the revenue from that which will be some, I do not have that number yet, to help offset the purchasing of the stage; but they have not paid a set fee for the stage. The intent when we purchased it was for them to pay some but I have not asked them for the \$400 per month.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster asked if it was the city side or non-profit side of DGDC. Mr. Stevens stated the nonprofit side. Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated if you don't charge DGDC why charge others. Mayor Allen stated DGDC is still an arm of the city.

Council continued the discussion. Councilmember Aycock made a motion to allow nonprofits to use the stage in the MSD district, charge everyone \$400 to use it and provide insurance. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Stevens. Mayor Allen, Mayor Pro Tem Foster, Councilmembers Aycock, Stevens, Broadway and Williams voted in favor of the motion. Councilmember Ham voted in opposition. Mayor Allen declared the motion passed 5:1.

Traffic Calming. Mr. Bobby Croom presented the following information:

Speed/Volume Study Locations

- Best Street
- Claiborne Street
- Andrews Avenue
- Franklin Street
- Stephens Street

Summary Results

Location	Street	Avg Daily Traffic	85th%	Mean
1	Best	1644	36.4	31.9
2	Claiborne	513	34.7	28.1
3	Andrews	941	33.4	27.9
4	Andrews	932.4	33.8	28.5
5	Franklin	844	37.3	31
6	Franklin	654	32.6	27
7	Best	1011	35.2	30.2
8	Claiborne	424	34.7	28.8
9	Stephens	230	30.4	23.9
10	Stephens	183	33.3	24.4

Current Practice

- Traffic Calming, Stop Sign request, etc.
 - Traffic Advisory Committee

- Assistant City Manager, City Engineer, Public Works Director, Police Chief
 - Speeding Issues
 - Contact Goldsboro Police Department
 - Provide any time trends indicated from gathered counts
 - Request Targeted Enforcement
- Multi-Way Stop Applications
- MUTCD Criteria for a MWS
 - As an interim measure for intersections that meet traffic signal warrants.
 - Five or more reported crashes in a 12 month period that are susceptible to correction by a multi-way stop installation. E.g. turning and right-angle collisions.
 - Minimum Volumes
 - Major street approaches averages at least 300 vehicles per hour for any 8 hours of an average day; and
 - Combined vehicular, pedestrian, and bicycle volume entering from the minor street averages at least 200 units per hour for the same 8 hours, with an average delay of at least 30 seconds per vehicle during highest hour; but
 - If the 85th percentile approach speed of the major-street traffic exceeds 40mph, the minimum vehicular volume warrants are 70 percent of the values provided above.
 - Other criteria
 - The need to control vehicle/pedestrian conflicts near high pedestrian generators
 - Sight distance issues

Summary

- Staff receives a request
- Traffic Advisory Committee Reviews with assistance from Traffic Engineer
- Speeding Issues
 - Contact Goldsboro Police Department
 - Provide any time trends indicated from gathered counts
 - Request Targeted Enforcement

Formalize a City Policy?

- Establish a Traffic Calming Policy so that citizens have a clear and defined format for a request.
- Define what treatments will and/or will not be allowed.
- Outline funding mechanism

Council discussed. Mayor Allen stated maybe we need to use radar signage to slow traffic. Mayor Pro Tem Foster shared concerns regarding speeding along Franklin Street, it is a long street and a lot of kids play in that area. Council asked staff to look at and come back with recommendations. Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated he would also like to see citizen input.

Summer Jobs Program. Ms. Shycole Simpson-Carter stated from the last meeting, we took into consideration some of your comments and comments received from citizens. It is one pilot program with several partners. Instead of one track there will be two tracks and will utilize more holistic work sites to include Parks & Recreation, daycares, accounting firms, Salvation Army, Wayne Community College, as well as NC Works, Habitat Restore and several others. Once we receive the applications, go through screening and interview phase, for us to determine the appropriate placement of the youth based off their skillsets, future career goals, this will allow a more holistic approach rather than just one target area as they may not have that desire to do parks and recreation. We will have the application online beginning tomorrow and I will tell you with the two tracks, every other week it will either be soft skills, financial literacy training or career exploration trip to include the legislature.

Councilmember Williams asked how may Parks and Recreation positions would be available. Ms. Simpson-Carter stated that will be based on the screening of the

applications, maybe 5. Councilmember Williams stated I don't mean to be rude, but I see you keep looking at the city manager, is there a reason you really don't know the details. Councilmember Williams stated this is very important to me and it's very important for our kids so I want to make sure they are going to be placed. I want to make sure they are just not going to be on trips, they are going to learn soft skills, they are going to work and learn some work skills. We were supposed to have this application out April 1st, people are calling me and asking where are the applications at. We need to know our kids are going to get these jobs; these kids need these jobs. Ms. Simpson-Carter stated I understand what you are saying but what you will find I am scouring the crowd, but I will tell you with us doing this in such a short time, that is why we can't give a specific number of students. Ms. Simpson-Carter stated the reason she was hesitant about Parks & Recreation was to eliminate hiring part-time staff. Councilmember Williams stated so it has gone from 26 to 5. Ms. Simpson-Carter stated the minimum the city will fund is 26, the total number of positions including our partners will be around 50. The way we are enhancing this program, we will be able to fund more students now.

Councilmember Williams asked who would be doing the screening. Ms. Simpson-Carter replied myself, Ms. Renita Dawson, Associate Vice President – Continuing Education Services of Wayne Community College and Ms. Michelle Williams, Director of Grant Management with the Housing Authority of the City of Goldsboro as well as Ms. Jennifer Pope with NC Works.

Council discussion continued to include transportation and a mandatory information session. Ms. Simpson-Carter this program is meant to be more inclusive. As far as the mandatory information session, we will work with parents and if need be will meet offsite in order to make accommodations.

Councilmember Williams asked if the kids would have to have a career readiness certification. Ms. Simpson-Carter replied, no, they will get some of the courses that are required of the career readiness certification, but they will not get the full credit as they need more than a 6 week timeframe. Councilmember Williams stated he just wanted to be sure that does not stop them from receiving a job.

Work schedules were also discussed.

Councilmember Ham stated I am very supportive of the program, but the whole part of the program is to provide them with the opportunity to do something productive and improve their lifestyle, that should be the absolute priority.

Councilmember Williams stated this is supposed to be Parks and Recreation and you got this at the last minute, that's why everything is all over the place and I am upset about that. Nevertheless we need to make sure we have jobs in place for these kids, working, I don't care if they are working at the parks, I don't care where they are working, as long as they are working. Let's cut all the nonsense out, we make the time for everything else, for these kids, we are not making sure they have enough jobs. We cannot sugar coat anything with these kids, if they are going to be picking up some garbage, there is power in picking up a piece of paper.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated if you are working at McDonald's in the summer, you are there to work, you are there to learn and get some work ethic.

Ms. Simpson-Carter stated she did not feel it was a last minute thing, we are all part of a team. I promise you I will ensure this is a productive program. I will come back to you with information after the mandatory information session and applications are received.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated since we have a short window to work with, we are adding a lot of stuff that maybe we shouldn't be focused on this year, we should be focused on the work side of it right now. It seems like a lot of stuff has been added in. You are saying it is a new program, you said it took a year for someone else, why not keep it as simple as possible and help as many kids as possible right now and then next year build off of that.

Ms. Simpson-Carter stated the way we have enhanced it, piggybacking off of Wayne Community College’s program and the curriculum they have, we are not reinventing the wheel.

Mayor Allen asked if everyone in principal was ok with proceeding with this. Council consensus was staff could proceed.

Golf Course Membership Fees. Mr. Stevens stated he would like to defer Golf Course Membership Fees until the April 17th work session.

Enhanced Community Involvement Plan. Mr. Stevens stated we do have Social Media Training scheduled for April 18th for department heads, assistant department heads from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm and Council from 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm that day.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster asked why we were doing this. Mr. Stevens replied it is a part of the Enhanced Community Involvement Plan and department heads need to understand the legal ramifications as well as helping the Council understand what we can legally have in our policy we are going to bring to you.

Chief West provided an update on the following initiatives:

Community Policing – Current Outreach Efforts

Community Outreach Proactive Programs

- Our Community Cares Fun Day
- National Night Out
- Coffee with a Cop
- Walk to School
- Citizens Police Academy
- Graffiti Clean Up
- GREAT Program
- Housing Officers

Community Outreach by Request Program

- Bicycle Registration
- Bicycle Safety
- Business Surveys
- Child Fingerprinting
- Fraud and Con Game Prevention
- Keep Watch Program
- Medicine Drop
- Neighborhood Watch Programs
- Officer Friendly Program
- Operation Identification
- Police Department Tours
- Rape Prevention
- Residential Surveys
- Safety for Children Program
- Safety Belt and Child Seat Program
- Shoplifting, Larceny, and Vandalism Prevention
- Speakers Bureau
- “Think Smart” Program
- Warning Ticket

Community Policing – Additional Outreach Efforts

- Neighborhood Foot Patrols
- WA Foster Patrol Interaction
- Sprinkler Days

De-escalation Training (Verbal Judo) (16 hr. Course at the NC Justice Academy)

- 45 Officer have received this training.
- 50 Officers have not received this training.

Police Complaint Process

- Review of Current Process
 - Allegations/Complaints from citizens may be made in person, by mail, by telephone, by facsimile, or by email/web based.
 - A citizen who has a complaint against an officer or employee will be given the opportunity to discuss the complaint with a Captain or higher ranking officer. If no Captain or higher ranking officer is available, the citizen may discuss the complaint with the Shift Commander or Acting Shift Commander. The complaint will be discussed at that time and an attempt will be made to resolve the matter. If the complaint is not resolved, the citizen may complete and sign a written Citizen Complaint Form.
 - Complaints that cannot be resolved or complaints that amount to criminal violations should be reduced to writing using a citizen complaint form and signed by the complainant. If the complainant is an employee of this agency the complaint should be in the form of a statement. The complaint should then be forwarded to the Office of the Chief of Police.
 - When in receipt of a complaint the Chief of Police may order that:
 1. The officer/employee's immediate supervisor conduct an investigation into the allegation or
 2. An Internal Affairs investigation/administrative inquiry be conducted concerning the allegation and/or
 3. A criminal investigation be conducted concerning the allegation.
 - The investigator/supervisor will complete their investigation in a timely manner but not to the detriment of any investigation.
- Number of Past Complaints (may not be all inclusive)
 - Citizen Complaints since 2012 49 total - 15 sustained 34 Unfounded
 - Internal Affairs Complaints since 2012 7 total – 3 sustained 4 Unfounded

Mayor Allen stated when you are out walking in the neighborhoods could you would let the councilmember know so if they would like to participate they could.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated you know I have been talking about community policing since I have been on this board. It has always been an issue of not having enough manpower, it seems like we are still down officers now, but now we have all this manpower to do community policing now, my question is why could we not do it before. Why did it take everything going on now for this to happen?

Chief West stated we have been doing National Night Out for a number of years, the only thing new would be the community foot patrols. I was very hesitant to pull officers in on their days off, pay call-back pay, we are better off personnel wise than this time last year. We are better off manpower wise, it is small, officers will come in on one of their days off for 2-3 hours with the ultimate goal of building this. I've always said if there is anything we can do different, now is the time to do it.

Councilmember Williams stated he has attended a couple of National Night Out events and noticed there were not a lot of smiles from the officers and a lot of guns were on display, some were also Sheriff Deputies. It was very intimidating and no interaction with children.

Chief West stated this year he would like the officers to dress down, have a softer approach.

Mayor Pro Tem Discussion Item – Diversity in the Work Place.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated I have been looking as some of the numbers around the city and with some of our employees it seems like the diversity in department heads in upper management seems a little off balance. I know everything is not fair. How many employees do we have Scott. Mr. Stevens replied 440 some positions. Mayor Pro Tem Foster asked how many department heads. Mr. Stevens replied 15. Mayor Pro Tem Foster

asked out of those department heads how many are African-American. Mr. Stevens replied three for sure. Mayor Pro Tem Foster asked and how many employees do they have working for them. Mr. Stevens replied HR has about five, planning has about 12, Inspections has about seven or eight; I'm sorry we have four with Community Relations and about two or three employees in Community Relations. Mayor pro tem Foster stated so you're talking about twenty something employees that have African-American department heads, the rest of our employees across the city which larger department heads are all... I hate labels, white. I just think that is an issue when we have very qualified African-Americans and Latinos you know out there that are not getting jobs that we say were hiring based on no criteria, no qualifications. I think that's a problem

Mayor Pro Tem Discussion Item – Employment Qualifications for All Positions. Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated I have known several people who have contacted me who are very well educated, very well qualified for the job with experience with an education to go with that that are not even getting interviews. Then to find out they are upset, someone without any education, without any experience actually gets the job. There have even been some complaints from our city employees where they say they go to school for this, get this certification and when the job comes open you can get the job that when they apply for the job they are told will you didn't have the experience or you didn't have the right qualifications, then we turn around and someone hired had neither of the two. I have had issues with the hiring, some you and I have talked about, your hiring practices. You have a well-educated African-American applying for a job with a Master's degree versus a white man with a high school diploma, I don't think that's an equal playing field on any level. And because we don't have standards in place we don't have any kind of qualifications, any kind of anything, it's the wild, wild West, I can hire whoever I want even if he's qualified or not just because I say he has experience. What about the man with the Masters, he has experience as well and he has education to go along with it. I went to school got my education, I would not be able to do what I do in the field of mental health without my education. You cannot do what I do without education, that is the standard across North Carolina, but we have no standard here, therefore, we hire who we want to hire and it's just not fair to employees to say okay you come work for the City of Goldsboro you go get your education but you are not going to get this job because we have someone else for it that's not qualified. So if a standard is put in place then you know what you are reaching for, you know you hire within this range. I hired someone with a college degree because it was required. I hired someone with five years of experience because the job required that, not I know this guy so I am going to hire him. It's at a point where I am tired of getting phone calls about it. If we as a Council can't put something in place that says we are fair across the board and we have standards, then that is very upsetting to me. You might not know that someone had to die so that I could sit in the sink. Someone had to physically die for someone of my color to go to a certain school. Then I have to turn around tell the same person of my color that there is nothing I can do for you, but someone had to die, go to jail, somebody got sprayed with a water hose, but we don't want to put a standard in place that will level the playing field for everyone who wants a job in the City of Goldsboro.

Councilmember Broadway stated if you have a point of making standards I don't have a problem with that but I am not going back to the 70's and 80's with those of us who had to manage in the middle of quotas. I saw it in government and in business. Understand standards you have to have standards but all races were hurt when quotas were being used.

Councilmember Williams stated both white and black employees have come to me morale is low, very low. So that is something to be concerned about, which means they are not happy with their supervisors or department heads. So we have to figure something out. I'm not going to say it always consist of having a Master's degree because experience sometimes supersedes certain things. There are some people in these positions that should've gotten a supervisory position because they have had the experience. If you've been here for 20 to 25 years and you are not retiring you are qualified for these positions. We are going to have to figure something out because these people are a part of and work for the City of Goldsboro and their morale is low.

Mayor Pro Tem Discussion Item – Litter. Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated I am still getting a lot of complaints regarding litter. I know we have a crew that's going around and picking up trash but is still a problem every time we send one arm trucks out. A lot of people in my neighborhood are complaining that when a truck comes through they have to turn around, one of the guys pays kids five dollars to help him pick up trash throughout the neighborhood. Everybody does not bag their trash so when that arm goes up and back down it dumps everywhere, but when we had garbage men on the truck the city was clean. We had men who cared that would stop and pick up that trash when it fell. I think we dropped the ball with these trucks. It's new, it's innovative it looks good but at the same time is it serving the purpose of Goldsboro and keeping it clean. I do sometimes see people driving and dropping a whole bag of McDonald's out, nothing makes me madder but at the same time I know it's not all from people just throwing stuff out.

Mayor Allen asked if we could follow our trucks.

Mr. Stevens stated we will follow; we are not innovative, those trucks have been out 25 years plus, we did not get in early because we did not want to reinvent the wheel. The trucks we are using are very common and are used throughout North Carolina and the country. But again maybe we should look at requiring bagging garbage and litter is certainly something we should not be creating. I've not heard many complaints of litter coming from our trucks but I have physically seen it out of Waste Management trucks and I have called Waste Management. We will also police our trucks.

Mayor Pro Tem Discussion Item – Establish and/or Update a Clear, Concise Whistleblower Policy for City Employees. Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated we need a clear concise policy that states if you want to come talk, cause as a Council, we are here to represent them too, like it was said, their morale is down and I want to keep as many employees as possible. You are not going to make everyone happy, that's just a part of life, understand that but when you have 70 to 80 employees out of one department that's unhappy, that some ridiculous numbers. We need to have something in place that says you can come tell us what's going on and your job will not be affected. If you have any problems with your job you can come back to us and we will handle it.

Councilmember Stevens asked what department Mayor Pro Tem Foster was referring to. Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated Public Works and I have had a few police officers complain.

Mayor Pro Tem Discussion Item – Discussion and Establishment of Proper Structure for all Boards and Commissions of the City of Goldsboro. Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated I do not think our boards across the city are structured properly. They do not have a chairman or vice chairman. Our directors are heads of these boards, our directors should only be secretaries of these boards. The board member should be coming in reporting to us not our directors that's what our ordinances state. I think we need to take a look at how these boards are being ran, and make sure they are structured right.

Mayor Pro Tem Discussion Item – Rules and Regulations of Goldsboro City Government. Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated we need to go back and look at rules and regulations. They have been in place for a while. Some of them I feel are outdated, some need to be enhanced. I feel as a board, I think if we are going to move forward in the future, we need to look at what we need to change like the social media policy. If we have rules and regulations in place we don't have to wait for Scott to make a decision and if he doesn't make the right decision then we have to make a decision when it comes to Scott. Certain things are up to him and I understand that but he needs clear and concise rules and regulations to follow, it is just not the city manager's show. As a board that is something we should have in place, I feel the rules and regulations we have in place are not adequate. I would like every board member to take a look at and discuss in the near future. Let's try within the next 30 days to get that done.

Cover Agenda. Each item on the cover agenda was generally discussed. Additional discussion included the following:

Item J. Z-6-17 First Citizens Bank, Trustee – North side of East Ash Street between Durant Street and Stoney Creek. Upon motion of Councilmember Broadway, seconded by Councilmember Aycock and unanimously carried, Council removed Item J. Z-6-17 from the Consent Agenda to Items Requiring Individual Action.

Closed Session Held. Upon motion of Councilmember Aycock, seconded by Councilmember Broadway, Council convened into Closed Session to discuss a property acquisition, litigation and economic development matter.

Council came out of Closed Session.

There being no further business, the work session adjourned.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Mayor and Council of the City of Goldsboro, North Carolina, met in regular session in Council Chambers, City Hall, 214 North Center Street, at 7:00 p.m. on April 4, 2017 with attendance as follows:

Present:	Mayor Chuck Allen, Presiding
	Mayor Pro Tem Bevan Foster
	Councilmember Antonio Williams
	Councilmember Bill Broadway
	Councilmember Mark Stevens
	Councilmember David Ham
	Councilmember Gene Aycock

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Allen at 7:00 p.m.

Pastor Stanley Kelly with Fellowship Baptist Church provided the invocation. The Pledge to the Flag followed.

Approval of Minutes. Upon motion of Councilmember Aycock, seconded by Councilmember Ham and unanimously carried, Council approved the Minutes of the City Council Retreat of February 15-16, 2017 as submitted.

Wayne County ABC Board Presentation. Mr. Mike Myrick stated I stopped by to give a little report, answer any questions you might have and also present a check for \$124,000. For those who don't know there are 33 private states and 17 controlled states. Of the 17 there is only 1 that is locally ran and operated and that would be North Carolina. The other 16 are state. We have 50 county boards and 117 municipal boards. Couple of places like Brunswick County has a county board and 7 or 8 municipal boards but we are local government employees. Over a billion dollars in sales last year for North Carolina of that \$380,965,967 came back to local governments and the state with through taxes for the state or distribution by the local ABC Boards to the different counties and cities. As you can see about \$69 million in distributions to the state and the other things that came out were alcohol education - \$11 million and local law enforcement. Mr. Myrick introduced Joe Sadler, Pam Silver, Irvin Watts and Board Chairman Miles Kelly.

Mr. Myrick provided a breakdown of Wayne County Sales from last year; about \$8 million in sales, excise tax about \$1.8 million paid, law enforcement distribution about \$36,000, alcohol education about \$20,000 and total distributions to counties and cities was about \$657,000. This year looks good, we are up about 4%. We have a good system. It is alcohol beverage control. We are not here to sell to underage, sell to people who are already intoxicated, we do not have to sell for profit. We sell for the convenience, for providing this product, spirits and selling it in a controlled system. Thank you.

Wayne County ABC Board Chairman Mr. Miles Kelly presented a distribution check too Mayor Allen.

Mayor Allen stated I work a lot with Joe and Mike, they let us know what’s going on. They work really close with the Police Department and Sheriff’s Office. It is a great organization and we are very much appreciative of what you do for our community.

Proclamation – National Service Recognition Day. Mayor Allen proclaimed April 4, 2017 as National Service Recognition Day in Goldsboro, North Carolina and encouraged residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our community, to thank those who serve; and to find ways to give back to their communities.

Proclamation – Gardening Month. Mayor Allen proclaimed April 2017 as Gardening Month in Goldsboro, North Carolina, encouraged all citizens to participate in these activities and enjoy the many benefits of gardening.

Mayor Allen presented a framed copy of the Proclamation to Ms. Jennifer Strickland with Wayne County Cooperative Extension.

Red Cross Presentation. Ms. Kimberly Berrier, Business Operations Specialists/Community Partnerships, stated we are celebrating 100 years of service this year in May and we could not have achieved that longevity without support from the community and folks like you who demonstrate they care, like sponsoring blood drives, by having us here, sponsoring a proclamation so thank you very much for your support over the years. Ms. Berrier presented a plaque to Mayor Allen which read the following:

“Thank you, Herman Park Center – Your generous support in the face of disaster helped the Red Cross provide hope, comfort and basic needs like food and shelter to the thousands affected by Hurricane Matthew.”

Ms. Berrier stated we appreciate your passion for our mission. It shows.

Leadership Wayne Project Presentation. Mr. Patrick Lechner stated good evening Mayor, City Council and City Manager. For those who don’t know me I am Patrick Lechner with the City of Goldsboro, Building and Maintenance Superintendent but I am here today to talk about our Leadership Wayne Project. One of the greatest tragedies I’ve found in life is not being able to see what’s in front of you or sometimes what’s not in front of you. Dr. Watson and Sherlock Holmes took a camping trip one evening after sharing a good meal and a fine bottle of wine they retired to their tent for the night. Around 3:00 a.m. Holmes nudges Watson and says to Watson, look at the night sky and tell me what you are seeing, and he says well I see millions of stars. He said exactly Watson, now what does that tell you, Watson thinks for a bit he says astronomically it tells me there are millions of galaxies and potentially billions of planets. Astronomically it tells me Leo is in Saturn, theologically it told me God is great and we are small, hour logically it tells me it is about 3:00 a.m. and meteorologically it tells me we will have a lovely day tomorrow. What does it tell you Holmes, Holmes lays there for a minute turns to Watson and says you fool, someone has stolen our tent.

We are under that threat now, someone could be stealing our tent and that tent is our heritage, the very thing that preserves us. So when the Leadership Class of 2016-17 had the opportunity to do a geo-cache trail we jumped all over it. Mr. Lechner and presented the following information:

- What’s a Geotrail?
- Why geocaching?
 - Opportunity to impact as much of Wayne County in a fun, interactive and educational way!
 - Gets you out of the house and see new parts of your community that you might have never seen before
 - Help attract tourists to Wayne County and hunt the trail to earn a much coveted Geo coin
 - We’ve hid up to 50 caches throughout Wayne County highlighting certain events:
 - Historical

- Present
- Future
- George Altman Tribute – Wayne County Public Library
 - Wayne County Baseball Heritage
- Launch: Saturday, April 29th
Waynesborough Park from 9 am – 10:30 am

Mr. Jeremy May stated I'm sure you all are asking like we did, what is geocaching, it is a scavenger hunt online. So anyone at any time, once you download the app on your phone, can say how many cache are around me and I think just in downtown Goldsboro there are 15-20. Some are a magnetic key box hidden under metal, some are hidden rocks so they are a little more difficult to find. The whole point is to get out, move around, and do something fun. We've decided to go with this because we can highlight the past, present, and future and bring people outside of Wayne County into our community, understand how the community got created, what we are doing now and what we are planning to do in the future. When we started this we did not know how big geocaching was, we made some local connections with geocaches and this thing has taken off. We are expecting 100 geocachers to show up on launch day. In addition we are inviting people from the community, teachers, and students to come out explore and learn about geocaching. It is going to promote activity and bring money into Wayne County. Diana who has been a great partner if ours is #5 geocacher in the nation. We are really excited, we ask for your support to promote and once they go live, take your family out. Thank you for your time tonight and we appreciate your support.

Mayor Allen stated I just want to take a minute and thank you for not only what you do for Leadership but I know you both are involved in our community with other things and we need more young men doing that. We do appreciate what you do, thank you.

Public Comment Period. Mayor Allen opened the public comment period and the following people spoke:

1. Maj. D.R. Halliday, PO Box 10116, Goldsboro stated as a citizen of this city I would like to know is it possible to request a city-wide proclamation.

Mayor Allen stated yes sir.

Maj. Halliday stated good I would like the proclamation to say something like in the City of Goldsboro the open windows of moving vehicles is not the opening to the city's trash receptacle. Every morning I leave my house, go pick up trash in the area around my house. Every morning I'm in town I have a 5 gallon bucket and I fill it up. I had a neighbor who saw me picking up trash, he went out to Lowe's and bought me this thing, it's addictive, every time you see something you pick it up. I'll give you an example. I picked this up in the 1100 block of E. Elm Street the other day. Can you imagine if to 12-year-olds had picked that up? I live in the 1200 block of E. Elm St. about a mile from the gates of Seymour Johnson Air Force Base. It is a shame we allow those young men and women to work out of Seymour Johnson to travel down Berkeley Boulevard and Elm Street and have to look at what they look at before they go to work. Those young men and women know that someday a Colonel up near Washington DC could sign a piece of paper that demands they pack all their gear and load onto C-130s 48 hours from that time and go somewhere on this planet to defend us and we don't do any better in the city of Goldsboro than we do for those young people. It's a shame. I'd like to make a suggestion that the Mayor and the City Council travel out to Seymour Johnson Air Force Base talk to the commander and asked the commander to have a one day open house for citizens of the City of Goldsboro to look around Seymour Johnson Air Force Base and see what the City of Goldsboro is supposed to look like. The City of Goldsboro should look like E. Mulberry St. and it looks like hell, excuse my language.

2. Victor Miller, 148 Oxford Drive, Goldsboro, stated good evening Mayor and City Councilman. It's that time of year again, we are exactly 4 months out

from our Purple Heart banquet which will be August 4th at the First Pentecostal Church. Our banquet is to honor those who were wounded in combat, the Gold Star family members and those who have died from injuries received in combat. We can house about 400 guests, right now we have 55 Purple Heart recipient, 13 Gold Star family members and we will honor 14 post military deceased. We do not charge the family members of the Purple Heart recipients. We're going to start raising money now, it's never too early. What I would like to do is one, invite each of you to the Purple Heart banquet on August 4th. Two, I'd like to invite some of the new City Council members to come out to some of our Purple Heart banquet planning meetings, so you can get the idea of where this money is going to and how much effort it takes to put together this small banquet. Next year it is going to get even bigger so it will require even more sponsorships because at the new convention center we will be able to hold 800 people. We are lucky so to speak, I use that term carefully, that we are confined to such a small space because right now we are barely making it to the \$15,000 which is our goal. To the sponsors, we had the red, white, blue, purple and All-American sponsorships. Red is \$100 and you get two tickets; white is 250 and you get four tickets; blue is \$500 and you get six tickets; purple is \$1000 and you get a table or 8 tickets; in the All-American is \$2500. Our first meeting is April 5th, I know that's short notice, but it will be the first Wednesday of every month so May 3rd at 12 noon at the Veterans Service Office located at 2001 E. Ash Street, and on June 7th. As we get closer to the banquet we will have more frequent meetings. Please come on out and help us honor those wounded in combat and those who have died, their family and others. Thank you.

3. Pamela Lawrence, 400 S. Jefferson Avenue, Goldsboro stated her neighbor Ms. Peoples, 1510 Laurel Street, Goldsboro, is here as well. Ms. Lawrence stated I appeared before you in December with concerns about flooding at the intersections of Laurel Street and Jefferson Avenue. That intersection continues to flood with any heavy rain. Some of the neighbors who suffered severe damage in October still have not recovered. The city has been aware of this problem since a study was done in the 1980s. The residents affected by this flooding fear they will be overlooked again as the city and the county began your storm drainage improvement projects. I know they are vast and a lot of people are needing help but we do not want to be overlooked again. This past Friday when we experienced heavy rains there was flooding again, did not quite make it into our houses, but we were all afraid. I happen to have a visitor to my honeymoon that day who is a civil engineer in another community, he walked out and looked at the storm drains and said all my goodness these are totally inadequate. He said go call someone so I did and they said they would get back with me on Monday of course they never did and it would not have helped the flooding anyway. But I just wanted to be sure you were still aware of the little people.

Mayor Allen stated I know they have looked at it. Mr. Stevens stated the study does indicate the pipes aren't large enough but the drainage we have looked at, we have had crews out, we tried to rod the lines a few times. They should drain and right now they are not dreaming that all. We can make it better sooner and the bigger project you need to keep on us, we won't forget you particularly if funding is available to move those projects forward that there is a blockage in the line, they are not draining, we are aware that in trying to work through that sooner.

Ms. Lawrence stated we will keep coming back to remind you. Thank you for your help.

Ms. Peoples stated the hurricanes will remind us all when they start dumping water on us. It's like a bowl, it comes from all four corners, and if you go through getting almost an inch of water in your house from Hurricane Matthew, when you see it rain and it is coming up, you get real nervous and I

know you all don't want to give us your cellphone numbers. Ms. Lawrence stated one of our neighbors is still not back in his house.

Mayor Allen stated let us get the line cleared first and then we will go from there.

Ms. Lawrence and Ms. Peoples stated thank you, we appreciate it.

4. John Gaer, 1206 Evergreen Avenue, Goldsboro, stated good evening Mayor and Council. I hope all of you are well. I have been around this area since 10 November 2006 as a military member. I recently, I am veteran status now, but in my stay here in Goldsboro I've driven around the City quite often and I have a safety issue I see on a regular basis. There are plenty of main streets like Elm, Spence, Royall, William, New Hope, and Berkeley that could utilize a sidewalk/bicycle path and the reason I request this from you individuals is because I see many children walking to the stores, I see plenty of disable people coming from the Alzheimer's place or elderly home or just the different communities walking to different places like Goldsboro markets or what have you. I really think its better to have a sidewalk and a bike path especially on Royall where there is nowhere to walk, where you see elderly and children walking on the train tracks because it seems safer, so they don't get hit by vehicles. Also there is really nowhere to pull over if you vehicle does get incapacitated, if you need to change a tire, and people are driving by, there is no real shoulder. If you all could do something to the main roads, that's Spence, Royall, Elm, New Hope, Wayne Memorial and William Street. If you could do something for that, it will help many citizens in this City. Thank you very much for your time.

5. Shirley Edwards stated good evening I came tonight after hearing you talk about your job program in the briefing, to tell you I commend you on the idea of having a summer youth job program as opposed to a summer work program for young people. There is a difference between a job program and a work program. Your earlier proposal talked about getting these young people just to work but your summer job program is a program that is comprehensive that will allow young people to get skill development, as they work. Now if we are teaching young people how to become productive citizens, we have got to start teaching them the right way and the correct way. So when disadvantaged children have not had the opportunities that you and I may have had even at 13 or 14, children of advantage know how to go about getting a job because their parents have exposed them to this. The children we are talking about don't have that opportunity. Al know because I'm on the street with them, night and day. I spent the last weekend talking to pastors in small churches who have these people in their congregation and also on Sunday all day, I was in the housing areas, I volunteer with them and Sunday afternoon the Salvation Army which I am a part of, we passed out over a hundred hotdogs. Talking to those people and their families they want to work, but they also don't know how to work. Many have had generations where no one was working. So do a comprehensive program, and give them some exposure, its building of mind and self-esteem. So I am proud that you have taken the time, the initiative to work through an idea that Councilmember Foster talked about but it needed the working through and you have done that tonight. I am really proud of what you have done because you are setting a precedent to do something great. When you are working with disadvantaged children and families you have to work through not just how it looks for you to give them something to do, you have to start with A and go to Z. I hear you saying this in this program tonight, to give them something so next year some of them may know how to go to McDonalds and work, they may know how to go to a firm and work. They will know how to do an application, how to talk to someone and they have the skills and self-esteem, but if you just put them out there picking up paper you are perpetuating the cycle of poverty and I don't want to see you do that and I am just so proud you took the time to do a better

job. I am really proud of y'all. You know me, you do good, I come and tell you and when you don't do good I come tell you that too. Thank you.

6. Jermaine Dawson, 1601 Cuyler Best Road, Goldsboro stated good afternoon Mayor, City Council, City Manager. I just wanted to come up here and just thank you guys for coming to the Town Hall Meeting. I don't have anything I want to throw out there tonight, I just want to say I appreciate every last one of y'all sitting in that meeting and being able to listen. Like the young lady before me said, I really commend you on the youth jobs that are getting ready to happen. I am hearing a lot of positive stuff from the community, excited. I had some people come into my office that recognized from the paper and said can I get a job. I really commend you guys for that. Thank you guys for coming out. The third Town Hall Meeting will be on May 2nd at Impact Church, 109 E. Ash Street at 6:30 p.m. The reason I held it off that long, I wanted to have that youth job paper in my hand so I would be able to pass it out this time. So hopefully we can have it already cut and dry, so we can be able to the young people, because this time we are planning on possibly getting two vans so that no one has an excuse not to be at this meeting. We are hoping you guys can come again, I'll send an email out. Thank you for coming out to the Town Hall Meeting this past month. Thank you.

Mayor Allen shared a copy of the summer youth employment program handout. You can see there is one meeting on April 29th. Shycole is really taking charge and leading this. Mayor Allen stated we certainly appreciate all you've done to have us out.

No one else spoke and the public comment period was closed.

Consent Agenda - Approved as Recommended. City Manager, Scott A. Stevens, presented the Consent Agenda. All items were considered to be routine and could be enacted simultaneously with one motion and a roll call vote. If a Councilmember so requested, any item(s) could be removed from the Consent Agenda and discussed and considered separately. In that event, the remaining item(s) on the Consent Agenda would be acted on with one motion and roll call vote. Mr. Stevens reminded Council Item J. Z-6-17 First Citizens Bank, Trustee – North side of East Ash Street between Durant Street and Stoney Creek was removed from the Consent Agenda and placed under Items Requiring Individual Action. Councilmember Williams moved the items on the Consent Agenda, Items G, H, I, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S and T be approved as recommended by the City Manager and staff. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Aycock and a roll call vote resulted in all members voting in the affirmative. Mayor Allen declared the Consent Agenda approved as recommended. The items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

Naming and Signing a Private Street - PFC Dan Bullock Way. Approved.

City staff has been approached by Chaplain Bill Boyd regarding the placement of a private street sign which would honor the life and death of Private First Class Dan Bullock who is interred within Elmwood Cemetery.

PFC Bullock holds the distinction of being the youngest American serviceman to die in combat during the Vietnam War on June 7, 1969 at the age of only 15.

He was born in Goldsboro on December 21, 1953 and, after altering his birth certificate, joined the United States Marine Corps at 14. After boot camp, Bullock was deployed to Vietnam where he lost his life while attempting to resupply his unit with ammunition during an evening attack.

Chaplain Boyd has had a standard green street sign fabricated which is titled "PFC Dan Bullock Way".

The City's Code of Ordinances allows for the naming of private streets if the street name does not duplicate an existing street name. Staff has determined that the sign proposed by Chaplain Boyd would not duplicate the name of an existing street.

After consideration, it has been determined that the most appropriate location for placement of the street sign is at the main entrance to Elmwood Cemetery at US 117 Highway.

The City would be responsible for erecting and maintaining the sign.

Staff recommended Council accept the staff's recommendation and approve the street name of "PFC Dan Bullock Way" at the main entrance to Elmwood Cemetery. Consent Agenda Approval. Williams/Aycock (7 Ayes)

Setting Public Hearings – Street Closings. 1.Bruce Street: From Vann Street to Colonial Terrace Drive; 2. Corney Street: From Gulley Street to Terminus; 3. Juniper Street: From Best Street to Terminus; 4. Spruce Street: From Leslie Street to Terminus; 5. South Road: from Langston Drive to Ridgecrest Drive. Resolution Adopted. On March 6, 2017, the City Council asked the staff to investigate closing a number of unimproved street sections within the City Limits.

With the exception of South Road, the referenced street sections were included within that list. Staff has recommended that South Road, which is not improved or utilized, also be investigated for closing.

Each street section has been identified on maps indicating the length and right-of-way width of each.

The petitioned street closings have been forwarded to the Fire, Police, Engineering and Public Works Departments for their review.

If the street is closed, ownership of each right-of-way would be split equally between the adjoining property owners.

The Resolution would schedule public hearings on these street closings for May 15, 2017. The Resolution would be advertised in the newspaper for four consecutive weeks, each street section would be posted on both ends and all adjacent property owners would be notified of the public hearings by certified mail.

Staff recommended Council adopt the following entitled Resolution scheduling public hearings on the closing of the above referenced street sections for May 15, 2016. Consent Agenda Approval. Williams/Aycock (7 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-23 "RESOLUTION AS TO THE INTENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO TO CLOSE CERTAIN DEDICATED STREET SECTIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA"

Site and Landscape Plan – Green Tech (Simmons Technical Services).

Approved. The property is located on the west side of South George Street between West Cola Street and Wayne Avenue.

The site is the former Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co. property.

Frontage: 380.51 ft.
Depth: 1163 ft. (average)
Area: 10.2 Acres
Zoning: I-2 General Industry

The existing building on the site contains three areas as follows:

37,350 sq. ft.	Designated for Greenhouse
12,940 sq. ft.	Designated for Classrooms & Offices
9,200 sq. ft.	Designated for Warehouse

The applicant intends to utilize the facility to introduce and promote “green technology” or “environmentally clean” technology to the citizens and businesses of Goldsboro and Wayne County through education, training, employment and entrepreneurship. All of these activities will take place inside the building.

Hours of operation are estimated at 8:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m., Monday through Friday. Based on the three uses proposed, a total of 77 paved parking spaces are required. A total of 78 parking spaces (including 3 handicapped spaces) are shown.

A total of 29 Fantasy Maple trees will be installed along both the George Street and Cola Drive frontages.

Ten ft. wide landscape buffers are shown along the southern and western property lines which will include Maple and Arborvitae trees, and various shrubs.

No changes will be made to the existing building elevation.

At their meeting held on March 27, 2017, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the site and landscape plan as submitted.

Staff recommended Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve the site and landscape plan for Green Tech (Simmons Technical Services) as submitted. Consent Agenda Approval. Williams/Aycock (7 Ayes)

Removal of Crossover Access on US 70 West. Resolution Adopted. Crossover access currently exists along West US 70 Highway at West Grantham Street. North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) is requesting removal of this middle crossover to improve safety.

NCDOT is requesting support from City Council to close the existing middle crossover on West US 70 Highway at West Grantham Street. The removal of the crossover would improve safety along the US 70 corridor and drivers would have other access points to properties along West Grantham Street by the use of the signalized intersection just east of the crossover.

NCDOT has indicated the potential addition of a right turn lane along US 70 Highway eastbound lane for those wishing to access Grantham Street as part of this crossover removal project.

The Goldsboro Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), at their meeting on March 23, 2017, adopted a resolution supporting the removal of this crossover in order to improve safety along the US 70 corridor.

Staff recommended Council adopt the following entitled Resolution supporting North Carolina Department of Transportation’s proposal to remove the crossover access on West US 70 Highway at West Grantham Street. Consent Agenda Approval. Williams/Aycock (7 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2017 – 24 “A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE INTENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO REMOVE THE CROSSOVER ACCESS ON WEST US 70 HIGHWAY AT WEST GRANTHAM STREET”

Audit Services for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017. Approved. The General Statutes of the State of North Carolina require that the City of Goldsboro undertake an independent audit of its financial records on an annual basis. The Audit examines, by fund, all categories of the City’s revenues and expenditures. It also illustrates revenues and expenditures by reporting the amounts on the original budget plus the final budget compared to the amounts that were actually received and spent throughout the Fiscal Year.

The CPA firm of Carr, Riggs and Ingram, LLC has performed the City’s audit for the past several years, and they are very familiar with the City’s financial records. Mr.

Dean Horne, CPA, has provided a quote of \$47,000 and it is felt that this price is accurate for the amount of work that is essential and the requirements placed upon the auditors by the Local Government Commission, and the quality of the reports provided by this firm. This figure does include the auditing requirements for the Federal Transportation Authority for the TIGER funding and FEMA auditing related to Hurricane Matthew.

The City requested an extension on its June 30, 2016 audit with the LGC and amended its contract to reflect this extension. The extension was due to the City's auditor experiencing a major injury.

It is recommended that the Council, by motion, award the auditing services for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2017 to Carr, Riggs and Ingram, LLC and approval of the extension date of June 30, 2016. Consent Agenda Approval. Williams/Aycock (7 Ayes)

Establishing Capital Projects Fund Ordinance – Multi-Sports Complex. Ordinance Adopted. On February 20, 2017, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing the Finance Director to file an application with the North Carolina Local Government Commission for a loan with the County of Wayne for \$3,000,000. This loan will be used for a portion of the construction associated with the Multi-Sports Complex.

The North Carolina Local Government Commission approved the County of Wayne's loan on March 7, 2017 and the loan closed on March 16, 2017. The City of Goldsboro's must establish a Capital Project Ordinance to allow for the construction of this project. The Capital Projects Ordinance is required to present an exact balance of revenues and expenditures. Therefore, both project revenue and expenditure line items must be established.

It is recommended that the following entitled Capital Projects Fund Ordinance be established in the amount of \$3,000,000. Consent Agenda Approval. Williams/Aycock (7 Ayes)

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-17 "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS ORDINANCE FOR THE MULTI-SPORTS COMPLEX"

Establishing Capital Projects Fund Ordinance-Automatic Metering\ Infrastructure (AMI). Ordinance Adopted. On February 6, 2017, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing the Finance Director to file an application with the North Carolina Local Government Commission. This overall project costs along with cost of loan issuance is \$5,345,500.

The North Carolina Local Government Commission approved the AMI Project on March 7, 2017 and the loan closed on March 23, 2017. The City of Goldsboro's must establish a Capital Project Ordinance to allow for the construction of this project. The Capital Projects Ordinance is required to present an exact balance of revenues and expenditures. Therefore, both project revenue and expenditure line items must be established.

It is recommended that the following entitled Capital Projects Fund Ordinance be established in the amount of \$5,345,500. Consent Agenda Approval. Williams/Aycock (7 Ayes)

ORDINANCE NO. 2017 - 18 "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS ORDINANCE FOR THE AUTOMATIC METERING INFRASTRUCTURE"

Budget Amendment and Reimbursement Resolution - Multi-Sports Complex. Ordinance and Resolution Adopted. The City of Goldsboro and the U.S. Air Force signed a lease for the construction of a 62 acre multi-sports complex. This complex will include eight (8) multi-use sports fields adjacent to Seymour Johnson Air Force base.

The City Council approved Alfred Benesch and Company's proposal, formally Site Solutions, for the design services at its September 15, 2014 meeting. On May 2, 2016, Council approved the following design services:

1. Master Plan Update/Phasing Strategy Report	\$ 35,000
2. Preliminary Planning	23,300
3. Design, Engineering & Construction Plans	86,000
4. Final Plans and Construction Documents	<u>43,000</u>
Total	\$187,300

Based on discussions with the City staff regarding forthcoming services associated with the Multi-Sports Project, the following contract costs would be necessary.

1. Permitting	\$ 14,000
2. Bidding	12,750
3. Construction Administration	<u>25,000</u>
Total	\$ 51,750

Since the installment financing will not be finalized until later in the fiscal year, it is necessary that the attached reimbursement be adopted declaring our intent to use those funds for repayment to the City.

Staff recommended Council:

1. Authorize the City to enter into an agreement with Alfred Benesch and adopt the following entitled budget ordinance decreasing the unassigned fund balance of the Occupancy Tax Fund in the amount of \$51,750 for design services for the Multi-Sports Complex.
2. Adopt the following entitled resolution declaring the City Council’s intent to reimburse the City of Goldsboro from the proceeds of any future installment financing for the Multi-Sports Complex. Consent Agenda Approval. Williams/Aycock (7 Ayes)

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-19 “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO FOR THE 2016-2017 FISCAL YEAR”

RESOLUTION NO. 2017- 25 “RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO REIMBURSE THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA FROM THE PROCEEDS OF THE INSTALLMENT FINANCING FOR THE MULTI-SPORTS COMPLEX”

Wings of Wayne-Military Appreciation Festival– Temporary Street Closing And Lot Use Request. Approved. An application was received from the Goldsboro Elks, requesting permission to use the lot at 207 S. Center Street and to close the street for the Wings of Wayne-Military Appreciation Festival on Saturday, May 27, 2017. The request is from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The event is scheduled to be held at the empty lot at 207 S. Center Street with street closings from Chestnut to Spruce Streets. The Police, Fire, Public Works Department and DGDC offices have been notified of this request.

Staff recommends approval of this request subject to the following conditions:

1. All intersections remain open for Police Department traffic control.
2. A 14-foot fire lane is maintained in the center of the street to provide access for fire and emergency vehicles.
3. All activities, changes in plans, etc. will be coordinated with the Police Department.
4. The Police, Fire, Public Works Department and DGDC offices are to be involved in the logistical aspects of this event.

It is recommended that the City Council grant street closings on Center Street from Chestnut to Spruce Streets on Saturday, May 27, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and allow the Goldsboro Elks to use the empty lot at 207 S. Center Street in order that

Wings of Wayne-Military Appreciation Festival may take place, subject to the above conditions. Consent Agenda Approval. Williams/Aycock (7 Ayes)

39th Annual Greater Goldsboro Run – Temporary Street Request.

Approved. A letter was received from Scott Edwards, requesting permission for the Sunrise Kiwanis Club to hold their 39th Annual Greater Goldsboro Road Run on April 8, 2017 from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

The race is scheduled to begin and end on Center Street and runs through the downtown area of Spruce, Walnut, Pine, Jefferson, Pine, Chestnut and Mulberry Streets. The Police, Fire, Public Works and DGDC offices have been notified of this request.

Staff recommends approval of this request subject to the following conditions:

1. All intersections remain open for Police Department traffic control.
2. A 14-foot fire lane is maintained in the center of the street to provide access for fire and emergency vehicles.
3. All activities, changes in plans, etc. will be coordinated with the Police Department.
4. The Police, Fire, Public Works and DGDC offices are to be involved in the logistical aspects of this event.

It is recommended that the City Council grant street closings on Center, Spruce, Walnut, Pine, Jefferson, Chestnut and Mulberry Streets on April 8, 2017 from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in order that the 39th Annual Greater Goldsboro Road Run event may take place, subject to the above conditions. Consent Agenda Approval. Williams/Aycock (7 Ayes)

Dillard/Goldsboro Alumni & Friends, Inc. Homecoming Celebration Parade – Temporary Street Closing Request. Approved. The Dillard Alumni Group is requesting permission to close a portion of certain City streets on Saturday, May 27, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in order to hold their annual parade, which will begin at 10:00 a.m.

The street closing request is as follows:

Parade Route: Northbound lanes of Center beginning at Spruce Street north to Walnut Street, east on Walnut Street to John Street, north on John Street to Mulberry Street, west on Mulberry Street to Center Street, north on Center St to Ash St, west on Ash Street in the traffic circle, south on Center Street back to Spruce Street.

Staging areas: Center Street from Elm to Spruce Streets and Pine Street from John to James Streets.

Additional closures recommended by the Police Department to manage traffic flow: James Street at Ash Street, James Street at Mulberry Street, James Street at Walnut Street, James Street at Chestnut Street, James Street at Spruce Street, and James Street at Pine Street. John Street at Ash Street, Mulberry Street at 204 East Mulberry Street, Walnut Street at Ormond Avenue, Chestnut Street at Ormond Avenue, John Street at Spruce Street, and John Street at Pine Street. Elm Street at Center Street.

The Police, Fire, Public Works and DGDC offices have been notified of this request.

Staff recommends approval of this request subject to the following conditions:

1. All intersections remain open for Police Department traffic control.
2. A 14-foot fire lane is maintained in the center of the street to provide access for fire and emergency vehicles.
3. All activities, changes in plans, etc. will be coordinated with the Police Department.
4. The Police, Fire, Public Works and DGDC offices are to be involved in the logistical aspects of this event.

It is recommended that the City Council grant street closings on Center, Walnut, John, Mulberry, James, Chestnut, Spruce and Pine Streets on May 27, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in order that the Annual Dillard/Goldsboro Alumni parade may take place, subject to the above conditions. Consent Agenda Approval. Williams/ Aycock (7 Ayes)

Mayor’s Committee for Persons with Disabilities Appointments. Resolution Adopted. There are existing vacancies on the Mayor’s Committee for Persons with Disabilities. Citizen involvement is vital to the performance of City government. It is necessary that additional appointments be made in an effort to fill these vacancies. Eight vacancies still remain on the commission.

Recommendations for appointment were requested from the Mayor’s Committee for Persons with Disabilities.

The following individuals have submitted an application to be on the Mayor’s Committee for Persons with Disabilities and were recommended by the Mayor’s Committee for Persons with Disabilities for appointment.

Tyrone Starkie and Robert Taylor

It is recommended Council adopt the following entitled Resolution appointing Tyrone Starkie and Robert Taylor to the Mayor’s Committee for Persons with Disabilities. Consent Agenda Approval. Williams/ Aycock (7 Ayes)

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-26 “RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE MAYOR’S COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES”

A Resolution Requesting Greater Efforts Be Taken to Avoid Flooding Impacts within the Lower Neuse Basin. Resolution Adopted. The City of Goldsboro was asked by neighboring communities to consider adopting a resolution requesting greater efforts be made to avoid flooding impacts within the Lower Neuse Basin.

The City of Goldsboro has been severely affected by flooding during Hurricane Fran in 1996, Hurricane Floyd in 1999 and Hurricane Matthew in 2016.

Local communities along the Lower Neuse Basin are requesting that the State of NC and the appropriate federal agencies engage, develop and financially support greater efforts to avoid devastating damage to persons and property in the Lower Neuse Basin through the implementation of flood control measures.

It was recommended the City Council adopt the following entitled Resolution supporting a Resolution that requests greater efforts be taken to avoid flooding impacts within the Lower Neuse Basin.

RESOLUTION 2017- 27 “RESOLUTION REQUESTING GREATER EFFORTS BE TAKEN TO AVOID FLOODING IMPACTS WITHIN THE LOWER NEUSE BASIN”

End of Consent Agenda.

Upon motion of Councilmember Broadway, seconded by Councilmember Stevens and unanimously carried, Council recused Mayor Allen from voting on Z-6-17 First Citizens Bank, Trustee – North side of East Ash Street between Durant Street and Stoney Creek.

Mayor Allen left the room at 7:53 p.m.

Z-6-17 First Citizens Bank, Trustee – North side of East Ash Street between Durant Street and Stoney Creek. Denied. The applicant requests a zoning change from Neighborhood Business to General Business Conditional District. In conjunction with this request, the applicant is requesting a waiver of the site plan requirement.

Since the structures on the site are existing, if the rezoning is approved, development plan approval by the City Council would only be required if the proposed tenant use requires a

Conditional Use Permit. Staff would review uses permitted by right through in-house procedures to insure that available parking is sufficient to accommodate all proposed uses.

Frontage: 300 ft. (Ash Street)
205 ft. (Durant Street)
Depth: 205 ft.
Area: 61,500 sq. ft. or 1.41 acres

Surrounding Zoning: North: R-9 Residential
South: R-16 Residential
East: Neighborhood Business
West: General Business

Currently the property is occupied by an existing restaurant (Lantern Inn) and an existing multi-tenant commercial strip center.

The property experienced flooding from Hurricane Matthew this past October and several tenant spaces are currently being renovated due to storm damage.

Two 24 ft. wide asphalt driveways provide access to the site from Ash Street and one 24 ft. wide asphalt driveway provides access from Durant Street.

The City's Land Use Plan recommends commercial development for the property. The proposed rezoning would be compatible with the Comprehensive Plan.

City water and sewer are available to the property. Subject property is located within a special flood hazard area (100-year flood zone).

The applicant believes that changing the zoning to General Business would increase the allowable uses, thereby, enhancing their ability to rent the individual tenant spaces.

As noted previously, complete development plans would have to be approved for any new business which requires a Conditional Use Permit. Otherwise, tenant spaces may be occupied by uses which are permitted by right without full development plan review.

At the public hearing held on March 20, 2017, no one appeared to speak either for or against the request.

The Planning Commission, at their meeting held on March 27, 2017, recommended approval of the change of zone request along with a waiver of the site plan requirement at time of rezoning.

Upon motion of Councilmember Broadway, seconded by Councilmember Aycock and unanimously carried, Council denied the rezoning request.

Mayor Allen returned at 7:55 p.m.

City Manager's Report. No report.

City Attorney's Report. No report.

Mayor and Councilmembers' Reports and Recommendations.

Councilmember Aycock stated no comment.

Councilmember Ham stated no comment.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated I would like to thank Councilmember Williams for initiating the summer jobs for the youth, I like to give credit where credit is due. He came to me months ago with it, it was his idea, his baby and he pushed forward and I

supported him. The rest of Council supported him as well. I'd like to thank him for the idea and the work behind it.

Councilmember Stevens stated no comment.

Councilmember Broadway stated no comment.

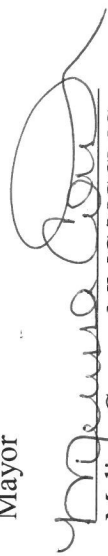
Councilmember Williams stated it is just so important for our young people to start working, so any one who has a child, make sure they fill out an application if they meet the criteria. We want them working, we want them staying out of trouble, we want them exhausted this summer so they are not getting into any trouble. We want them to go back to school next season and be proud because they have the things they need that their parents could not buy for them. Just look out for a child. Give them an opportunity. Thank you.

Mayor Allen stated we thank each and every one of you for coming out tonight.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.



Chuck Allen
Mayor



Melissa Corser, MMC/NCCMC
City Clerk