

**TOWN OF HOPE MILLS
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2021 7:00 P.M.
BILL LUTHER BOARD MEETING ROOM**

Mayor Jackie Warner called the regular meeting of the Hope Mills Board of Commissioners to order on Monday, February 1, 2021 at 7:02 p.m.

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Jackie Warner, Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Kenjuana McCray; Commissioners Jessie Bellflowers, Pat Edwards, Jerry Legge and Bryan Marley.

STAFF PRESENT

Town Manager Melissa Adams, Executive Assistant/Deputy Town Clerk Tiffany Shadik, Finance Director Drew Holland, Parks & Recreation Director Lamarco Morrison, Planning & Economic Development Director Chancer McLaughlin, Deputy Police Chief Brad Dean, Public Works Director Don Sisko, and Deputy Public Works Director Bruce Clark. Also present was Town Attorney Dan Hartzog, Jr.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation was led by Pastor Michael Mathis, Mission Field Ministries, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Jackie Warner.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS.

Motion made by Commissioner Legge, seconded by Commissioner Edwards and carried unanimously, to approve the agenda as presented.

2. PRESENTATIONS.

- a. National Wear Red Day Proclamation.

Mayor Warner read the proclamation for National Wear Red Day.

- b. Archeological Report on Heritage Park Phase I, Presented by Parks and Recreation Director, Lamarco Morrison.

Parks & Recreation Director Lamarco Morrison reviewed the archeological report on Heritage Park Phase I by aid of PowerPoint presentation. The survey was completed as part of the requirements of the PARTF Grant. Out of the 7.5 acres of the Area of Potential Effects (APE), they identified an archeological site with a core concentration of artifacts found in the area labeled as 31CD2213. Artifacts found were mostly that of brick fragments and glass, though intact subsurface foundation materials believed to be remnants of the old Mill Village dating back to 1875 were identified. The survey recommended

avoiding site 31CD2213; Parks & Recreation Director Morrison noted nothing they are doing in Phase I of Heritage Park will adversely affect the integrity of the project.

Commissioner Legge inquired if the Town may acquire any of the historical items for the future museum. Parks & Recreation Director Morrison responded that was discussed and they need to be cataloged then determined who they would go to, such as the Historic Preservation Committee.

Discussion ensued regarding submitting the documentation to designate the area as a historic overlay district.

Planning & Economic Development Director Chancer McLaughlin, staff liaison to the Historic Preservation Committee remarked pursuing designation of the Chapel first would be the most feasible option.

Commissioner Bellflowers inquired if the documents for demolition of the Parish House were submitted the state and read an excerpt from Appendix A included in the archeological survey stating the demolition would affect the historic district. Parks & Recreation Director Morrison responded the Town submitted justification for the demolition of the Parish House and that it would not affect the PARTF Grant as Phase I does not include the Parish House.

Further discussion ensued regarding designating the former episcopal church as a historic building. Public Works Director Don Sisko explained the lengthy process of getting a building on the national historic registry.

PUBLIC HEARINGS. NONE

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

Mr. Michael Gillis, 3616 Crampton Road, Hope Mills, NC. Mr. Gillis expressed his concern for the lack of decision making in regard to the Par Four development and requested the Board unanimously vote to close Crampton Road.

The following comments were submitted to the Town Clerk's Office via email:

Mr. Richard Luetgenau, 5758 Crenshaw Drive, Hope Mills, NC. Mr. Luetgenau referenced the Board's discussion pertaining to a zoning case during the January 19, 2021 regular meeting in which traffic was cited as an issue for the business owner to not move forward to two points of entry. Mr. Luetgenau requested the Board vote to permanently close Crampton Road as traffic concerns are an issue for the residents of Golf Acres and Brightmoor.

Mr. Bryan Smith, 5747 Crenshaw Drive, Hope Mills, NC. Mr. Smith requested the Board begin the process to close Crampton Road to prevent future dangers due to roadway congestion.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Consideration of Approval of Resolution R2021-05 for Disposal of Fixed Assets.
 - 1. Dispatch Recording System – Police Dept (part of building demo)
 - 2. Police Dept Building – Police Dept (demolished)
includes: landscaping, sprinkler system, HVAC & telephone wiring
 - 3. Police Station Marquee sign (to be replaced)
 - 4. Quick View Camera – Stormwater (to be sold)

- b. Consideration of Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from January 19, 2021.

“END OF CONSENT AGENDA”

Motion made by Commissioner Edwards, seconded by Commissioner Marley and carried unanimously, to approve the consent agenda as read.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Update on Par Four Development Project.

Motion made by Commissioner Marley, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dr. McCray and carried unanimously, to begin the process to close Crampton Road using the resolution schedule for February 15, 2021.

Town Attorney Hartzog remarked the Board will need to adopt a Resolution of Intent as per G.S. 160A-299, for permanent street closure, and hold a public hearing on March 15, 2021 to allow four consecutive weeks to advertise the hearing.

Motion made by Commissioner Marley, seconded by Commissioner Edwards and carried unanimously, to adopt the resolution and language as provided by the Town Attorney for the Resolution of Intent to read: “The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Hope Mills, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 160A-299, hereby declares its intent to close Crampton Road, and calls for a public hearing to consider the question of permanently closing Crampton Road. The public hearing will be held at the Board’s regularly scheduled meeting on March 15, 2021. Following a public hearing, the Board will consider the permanent closure of Crampton Road.

Planning and Economic Development Director McLaughlin remarked after the last regularly scheduled Board meeting, he indicated the Board’s position to the developer and timeline that would need to be met. Mr. McLaughlin remarked he will continue to track the project and future happenings to provide the Board with updates as it needs to go before

the Golfview Greenway Study Committee for a recommendation and be submitted to the County.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Consideration of Bid Acceptance for ADA Renovation to the Lake Park Concession Building; in the amount of \$170,000.

Public Works Director Don Sisko remarked the price came in considerably higher than staff had anticipated due to plumbing, mechanical issues and escalated cost of materials. Public Works Director Sisko recommended we prioritize this project due to the statutory requirements to comply with the ADA and the significant use of this facility by the public. The cost gap can be made up from several other construction projects that funding was allocated for, but have yet to be started. These projects can be re-submitted in the upcoming fiscal year 2021/2022 budget cycle for consideration. A viable candidate has yet to be identified for the Construction Manager position; the role would be to oversee the many projects. The projects that funding can be made up from are:

1. The Lake walking trail upgrade \$40,000
2. The Lake Park swings project, \$10,000
3. The Chapel renovation, \$18,000
4. The ADA upgrades to the Trade street museum project, \$27,600

Commissioner Bellflowers inquired how the estimate for the project was off by \$100,000. Public Works Director Sisko responded we do not have electrical or mechanical engineers on staff, so staff gave the best estimate they could without the detailed work.

Further discussion ensued regarding the work included in the estimate and the Board's disapproval to put off projects.

Commissioner Marley inquired of Finance Director Holland where the additional funds for the project would come from. Finance Director Holland responded though it is not ideal, the money could come from reserves. Finance Director Holland remarked he and Town Manager Adams cannot execute the contract until he has done a pre-audit and drafted a budget amendment determining how the funds will be allocated.

Motion made by Commissioner Edwards, seconded by Commissioner Marley and carried unanimously, to accept the bid from Hayes Inc. in the amount of \$170,000 to complete the concession building at the Lake Park.

Further discussion ensued.

Public Works Director Sisko requested the Board allow he and Deputy Public Works Director Clark to discuss with Town Manager Adams what projects they can reasonably do before next fiscal year and bring back at the February 15, 2021 meeting.

The consensus of the Board was to allow Public Works to bring back viable projects to the February 15, 2021 regular meeting and for Finance Director Holland to prepare a Budget Amendment.

- b. Consideration of the Town Applying for the 2021 Vacant Property Leadership Institute Program; as requested by Mayor Pro Tem McCray.

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. McCray remarked the Vacant Property Leadership Institute Program is an intensive four-day training hosted by Center for Community Progress and National League of Cities with topics including land banking. There is no cost to participate and the deadline for Letters of Interest to be submitted is February 26, 2021.

The consensus of the Board was to allow Planning & Economic Development Director McLaughlin to submit the application and attend, if chosen.

7. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS:

- a. Manager's Report.

Town Manager Adams provided the following report:

Johnson Street Sidewalk Project: McGill & Associates are working to complete 100% drawings. In addition, McGill is working on the utility verifications that are required. The CSX Licensing Agreement is in process (this has to be completed by the Town, due to crossing of the railroad tracks). CSX has acknowledged receipt of the funds for the licensing agreement. McGill & Associates recently conducted a site visit and has had some recent correspondence with PWC regarding utility certifications. No new updates.

Replacement of the multi-purpose trail (the Jack White Bike Path): We will be replacing the entire path beginning at the Lake Park entrance and ending at the corner of Lakeview Road. Public Works is looking at possibly re-engaging the process for RFPs in the Spring of 2021.

Fountain Lane Parking Lot Project: Del Crawford of Crawford Design Company has presented an initial design to Public Works. Currently he is working on a site plan, which will have to go before the Board of Commissioners, as the parking lot is a change of use.

Schnabel Engineering Dam Instrumentation: The conduit and the circuitry are 100% complete. Schnabel Engineering is scheduled for a site visit to install the dam instrumentation sometime next week.

The lake lowering did begin on Monday, January 11, 2021. However, we have had a significant amount of rain and it has taken longer to achieve the desired level of approximately 101' ASL (above sea level). We are still not at the desired level. Public

Works will try to maintain the lower level consistently for a period of two weeks, once it has been reached.

The survey is complete along the property line of the Veterans Memorial Park. The fencing materials have been ordered and the existing fence demo and tree removal/trimming is slated to begin February 8, 2021. The new fence installation will follow.

The job posting for the Public Works Construction Manager position was re-posted and advertised until January 15th.

Library Stormwater Improvement Project: The fence for the Friends of the Hope Mills Library Park (around the infiltration basin) that was ordered was not the 8' fence we requested. The fence was reordered last Friday and based on the first order; it may take a couple weeks. Staff is continuing to work on pricing for the plaque and sundial for the park this week as well.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

- **Hope Mills Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan:** The Kick-off for the Town of Hope Mills Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Steering Committee will take place virtually at 3:00 p.m. on February 2, 2021. Project managed by McAdams, the first meeting will allow Steering Committee members to meet and to discuss the goals and objectives of the plan.
- **2021 Building Business Capacity:** Planning and Economic Development staff hosted the 2021 Building Business Capacity Webinar as the Keynote Speaker on Tuesday, January 26, 2021. A total of 40+ purchasers, vendors, contractors, and developers attended the event. A representative from the NC Procurement Technical Assistance Program (PTAC) also presented information about programs tied to education on how to obtain government contracts. Typically, a trade show style event, the webinar style approaches this year proved to be a success. Economic Development staff plans to work with department heads on ways to streamline the Town of Hope Mills bidding processes.
- **Action Pathways, Inc Board of Directors:** At the January 21, 2021 Board Meeting, the Action Pathways Board of Directors officially voted Planning and Economic Development Director as the Vice Chair of the Action Pathways Board.
- **Hope Mills Gateway Plan:** Staff is currently reviewing the latest draft update to the Gateway Plan and setting the agenda for the next meeting with the Work Group. Staff is also working with NC Commerce staff on draft materials for upcoming public input meetings.

PLANNING AND ZONING:

- **PAR 4:** Staff has been in communication with the Par 4 development team who is finalizing design layout and costs associated with the Proposed Golfview Road entrance as well as the overall site design. They are aware that they will not meet the deadline to have the revised site plan on the February 15, 2021 Board Meeting Agenda. They have indicated that they are indeed proceeding with the project as planned and are gearing up to request another Golfview Driveway Study Committee meeting in the next few weeks.
- **160D Update:** Staff is reviewing the agreement from Triangle J Council of Government to conduct the 160D update for the Town of Hope Mills. Staff plans to have the agreement executed this week.
- **Staff Liaisons:** Staff has received the proposed 2021/2022 Fiscal Year Budget Requests from the Hope Mills Historic Committee and the Prime Movers Committee. Staff will include these proposals with the budgetary requests from Planning and Economic Development.

**PARKS & RECREATION:
DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**

- **Municipal Park Splashpad Design** – McAdams facilitated a virtual project kickoff meeting on January 4, 2021. The team discussed the project schedule, scope and next steps in the design process. A site meeting was held with the design team, Town staff, Landscape Structures and the splashpad manufacturer on January 14th to further discuss site plan and permitting requirements. The survey crews from McAdams completed the boundary and topographical survey in early January 2021. The data from the survey will be used to generate the base map for design development and construction documents. The Town anticipates receiving a refined schematic plan in early March, 2021.
- **Heritage Park Construction Documents** – HMPR received signed Project Agreements from NCDENR on January 12, 2021 and executed contract amendments for Phase I design on January 21, 2021. McAdams facilitated a virtual kickoff meeting on January 28th and discussed the results of the archaeological survey. The Town anticipates receiving refined schematic drawings in March 2021.

SENIOR, PROGRAMS & SPECIAL EVENTS

Virtual Learning: Parks and Recreation will continue to offer the Virtual Learning Center until the end of the school year. A grant from Cumberland County in the amount of \$22,000 has made this possible. Additionally, grant funding has enabled the Town to increase enrollment from 15 to 24 students maximum, and the age group is 5-14. A flyer is attached for your information.

Programs:

The following programs are being offered for the Spring/Summer season:

- Monthly Craft kits for children
- Virtual Programming - WEBX
- February Senior Programs – all 11 weekly classes are mostly full. There is a waiting list for those that were not able to reserve a slot.

- NEW PROGRAM - KIDS IN SPORTS (COVID restrictions in place)
 - Class is to learn the basic fundamentals of T-Ball/Baseball
 - Catching, Throwing, Batting, Skill Drills, baseball games and more!
 - Ages 5 to 8
 - \$30
 - Maximum of 12 participants
 - Feb. 2nd – Feb. 23rd
 - TUESDAYS from 10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
 - TEUSDAYS from 5:15 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
 - Feb. 11th – March 4th on THURSDAYS from 6:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.

Parks & Recreation Special Events:

****Virtual Miss Hope Mills Cotton Pageant****

- Currently working on logistics, but tentatively scheduled dates:
- Registration begins March 1
- Possible Themes: 130th Anniversary
 - **Sunday, April 11:** *Submission Videos Due*- Contestants would have to submit a video with their application.
 - **April 12 – 16:** *Judges to vote on finalist* – Judges to come in one day and vote as if the contestants are in front of them via the contestant videos.
 - **April 19:** *Finalist Announced* - Announcement made regarding Top 5 contestants in each age group.
 - **April 30 – May 1:** *Pageant*
 - Rec Center Gym
 - In-person pageant for Top 5 Finalist for each age group.
 - Social Distancing Guidelines will be in place.
 - Cost: \$50
 - Non-Resident Discount: Cost: \$40
 - Must reside in Cumberland County.

****Pictures & Box Breakfast with the Easter Bunny****

- **Saturday, March 27**
- Grandson's Catering – Staff to serve in To-Go boxes

****NEW! Town Wide GARAGE Sale****

- **Saturday, April 17th from 8am – 2pm**
 - Rain Date: Saturday, April 24th 8am – 2pm
- Cost: \$15 (this includes the \$10 Yard Sale Permit Fee)
- First Town-Wide Yard Sale from the comfort of your own yard or drive way.

- The Yard Sale Permit application will be part of the registration process.
- Virtual Map will be created – with list of items being sold.
- Incorporate a Kid’s Garage Sale component which would be labeled on virtual map.

Event Planned for 130th Anniversary:

Virtual Miss Hope Mills Cotton Pageant

- ***Theme: 130th Anniversary***
- Must visit a historical site in Hope Mills and tell us why it is important or their favorite to them in their video submission
- Add in an award for Best Historical Visit
 - Whatever Historical location wins – can be ‘maintained’ by the winners for the year?
- Other info regarding pageant:
 - Currently working on logistics, but tentatively scheduled dates:
 - Date: Submission Due Sunday, April 11 - Contestants would have to submit a video with their application.
 - Judges: April 12 – 16th to vote on finalist – Judges would all come in same day and judge the contestants as if they were actually in front of them.
 - April 19 – Finalist Announced - Announcement made regarding Top 5 contestants in each age group.
 - Pageant April 30 – May 1
 - Rec Center Gym
 - In-person pageant for Top 5 Finalist for each age group.
 - Social Distancing Guidelines will be in place.
 - Cost: \$60 Residents - \$70 Non-Residents (last year Cost: \$50)
 - Must reside in Cumberland County

Monthly Craft Kits

- I will be order biodegradable plastic custom bags that the crafts kits go in. They will be white with the Town Logo and under the logo will say – Celebration 130 Years
- Each month we will be providing ‘craft’ kits for purchase – Each month has a theme
- The month of your choosing (March?) the Kit can be themed 130th Anniversary
 - The kit could include the story of Hope Mills History
 - The ‘project’ or craft in the kit could be something that they make/paint/build, etc. and bring to ONE local location (Lake, Municipal Park, etc.) to display – like a Community Art Project that would incorporate the history of Hope Mills but also celebrate 130 years.
- ***New Kit Idea: Weaving Wall Project***
 - Kit to include the story of Hope Mills and its history.

- The kit will come with a long piece/strip of cotton fabric (all sorts of ways to get this, bed sheets from Walmart, thrift store, donations, etc.)
 - The family can write/decorate the cotton fabric however they'd like
 - Take the fabric strip to the fence where the community tree was and weave it through the fence.
 - P&R will have already woven something in the fence to highlight Hope Mills 130th Anniversary – possibly say ‘Celebrating 130 Years’
 - We’ll then also have extra fabric scraps and what not at the location for people to weave – and they are more than welcome to bring their own to weave – it doesn’t have to be fabric per se. (flowers, garland, etc.)
 - The weaving aspect ties into the history of the textile/cotton mills.
 - Possible Name: Hope Mills Weaving Wall Community Project
- ***130 Year Flag Garden (Flags of Hope Field)***
 - Placing 130 miniature flags with the Town’s Logo will be placed in a greenspace in front of Municipal Park to signify 130 years of Hope Mills. Citizens and business owners can purchase a flag for \$2:00 and place their name on the back of the flag. There will be a map online with a grid showing the location of each purchased flag. An example of the template is attached. **There will also be a large flag and a banner installed at Brower Park ballfields.**

Time Capsule

- Create a time capsule to be opened in 50 years? 100 years?
- Anybody who purchases a March Craft Kit (see above) would have the chance to put something in the time capsule – Marked by metal plaque in ground at Municipal park.
- There will be a series of story boards through our parks and greenways that tell the history of Hope Mills.

ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

The Athletic Division is in the third of hosting the Girls Sports Academy Basketball Camp. We have 13 registered in the 7-9 session and 15 (max) in the 10-13 session. Will finish Sat 2/6/21.

The Athletic Division will facilitate CO-ED Basketball Clinics starting in February 2021. We will take registration for 4 – 1week clinics that will run 3 days per week. Through the CO-ED clinics 240 participants will have the opportunity to participant in this clinic. The participants will be spread out by time slots keeping our max number of participants to a minimum. The same upgraded cleaning measures will be done during the CO-ED clinics. A flyer is attached for your information.

The Athletic Division is currently advertising/registering for Spring Sports, to include baseball & softball. Online registration will be open from January 20th till March 1st. A flyer is attached for your information.

On Wednesday, February 3, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. in the Bill Luther Board Meeting Room, MetroNet will be presenting the Board of Commissioners with a plaque to honor the Town's commitment to provide the first fiber network for Cumberland County and for the state.

Executive Assistant/Deputy Town Clerk Tiffany Shadik has been filling the role as the Town's Public Information Officer but has officially taken on the duties as of January 2021.

b. Reminders.

- Thursday, February 4, 2021 @ 6:00 PM -Prime Movers will meet via Zoom.
- Wednesday, February 10, 2021 @ 6:00 PM-Historic Preservation Committee will meet via Zoom.
- Monday, February 15, 2021 @ 6:00 PM – Board of Adjustment in the Luther Board Room.
- Monday, February 15, 2021 @ 7:00 PM – Board of Commissioners regular meeting in the Luther Board Room.

c. Committee Liaisons update on Committee Activities.

- Commissioner Pat Edwards- Appearance Commission, Mid-Carolina Council of Government.

Commissioner Edwards commented the Mid-Carolina Council of Government has not yet met and the Appearance Commission discussed Spring planning.

- Commissioner Jerry Legge - Historic Preservation Committee, RLUAC (Regional Land Use Advisory Commission)

Commissioner Legge commented he has not attended a RLUAC meeting as neither a schedule or meeting reminders have been sent to him. The Historic Preservation Committee discussed fundraising for the museum and Chapel and submitting paperwork to designate the historic district.

- Commissioner Bryan Marley-Veterans Affairs Committee.

Commissioner Marley read a letter from Committee Chairman Grilley Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell requested the Board grant permission for the VFW and American Legion liaisons to be able to hold key positions as Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary, if needed, as they are having difficulty finding members to serve. Members who had previously served the above referenced roles indicated they were unable to fulfill their previous commitments due to increased involvement with other organizations.

Town Manager Adams and Town Attorney Hartzog remarked the Board would need to amend the Rules of Procedure.

The consensus of the Board was to allow Town Attorney Hartzog and the Clerk's Office to research the Rules of Procedures for Committees and to bring back a recommendation for the February 15, 2021 regular meeting.

- Mayor Pro Tem Dr. McCray- Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee, Cumberland County Air Quality Stakeholders Committee, Prime Movers Committee.

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. McCray recognized Prime Movers Chairman Jerel McGeachy to provide an update on the Committee.

Mr. McGeachy remarked the Prime Movers have partnered with the Parks & Recreation department for a Black History Month initiative featuring "Did You Know" informational signage placed along the walking trail which will continue into March as women's history month. For Valentine's Day they have partnered with the Boys and Girls Club as well as Zeta Phi Beta sorority to collect Valentines that will be distributed at local nursing homes. For April, the Prime Movers have partnered with Parks & Recreation, the Mayor's Youth Leadership Committee, Cape Fear Valley, and Powers Swain Chevrolet to host a Blood Drive. Powers Swain Chevrolet will hold a raffle for a free car; anyone who donates blood will be given a chance to enter to win. The Prime Movers will also be working with the Fayetteville Millennial Committee to host a Sister City Event.

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. McCray commented the Air Quality Stakeholders discussed ways to become a green business and recruiting air quality ambassadors. For the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee, some items not included in the Manager's Report were the possibility of Parks & Recreation allowing use of their gym for covid vaccinations and the logistics of the municipal splash pad.

- Mayor Jackie Warner- Mayor's Youth Leadership Committee, FAMPO TPB (Transportation Policy Board), FCEDC Municipal Advisory Meeting Liaison

Mayor Warner commented the Mayor's Youth Leadership met this evening and discussed the many social media accounts they have opened to include Instagram and a Facebook page to promote their cleanup campaign for the Town. They have partnered with Parks & Recreation for "Hope the Hero" art contest open to area schools; the hero will be the face of the Litter Sweeps.

FAMPO amended the plans for MTIP Municipal Transport Plan; the start of right-of-way's will be delayed until the beginning of 2022 to help balance funds. Mayor Warner was elected Chairman of FAMPO and Commissioner Glenn Adams was elected Vice Chair.

The Mayors Coalition will have a virtual combined meeting with FCEDC on Friday, February 5, 2021 to receive an economic development update from FCEDC.

The first 130th Birthday Committee meeting will be held in person at Town Hall on Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. and will likely be held virtually in the future. The committee will discuss plans and events for the Town's 130th birthday.

8. STAFF COMMENTS.

9. OFFICIAL COMMENTS.

Commissioner Legge congratulated Deputy Clerk Shadik on her additional role as Public Information Officer and acknowledged Mayor Pro Tem Dr. McCray's great work with the Hope Mills Prime Movers Committee.

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. McCray inquired of Town Manager Adams if Parks & Recreation Director Morrison has been in contact with anyone at the City of Fayetteville regarding transportation. Mayor Pro Tem Dr. McCray requested information on transportation options prior to the March Budget Retreat as there is a great deal of state and federal funding available but the Town would need to go through a process to acquire it. Mayor Pro Tem Dr. McCray commented she enjoyed the mural unveiling event and looks forward to the Mayor's Youth Leadership Committee working with the Prime Movers.

Commissioner Marley thanked whoever was responsible for the bricks, of the recently demolished old Police Building, the Board was gifted. Town Manager Adams responded Finance Director Holland oversaw getting the Board bricks.

10. CLOSED SESSION.

- a. Closed Session Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11. (a) (3) Attorney Client Privilege and Personnel NCGS 143-318.11. (a) (6).

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Dr. McCray, seconded by Commissioner Legge and carried unanimously, to conduct a closed session pursuant to NCGS 143.318.11 (a)(3) to consult with the Attorney on matters within the attorney-client privilege and pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a)(6) to discuss personnel matters.

Mayor Warner instructed the Board to assemble in the conference room at 9:02 p.m.

At 10:21 p.m. Mayor Warner called the regular meeting back to order.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Dr. McCray, seconded by Commissioner Legge and carried unanimously, to seal the minutes of the closed session until such time as the release of the information would no longer frustrate the purpose of the closed session and further no action was taken.

Mayor Warner commented as a reminder, the Board has a meeting on Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. with Hartwell Wright, a representative from the NC League of Municipalities. A closed session will need to be added to the agenda.

11. ADJOURNMENT.

Motion made by Commissioner Legge and carried unanimously, to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor Warner adjourned the meeting at 10:22 p.m.

Jackie Warner, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jane G. Starling CMC, NCCMC
Town Clerk