

**TOWN OF HOPE MILLS
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2022 7:00 P.M.
LUTHER BOARD MEETING ROOM**

Mayor Jackie Warner called the regular meeting of the Hope Mills Board of Commissioners to order on Monday, August 1, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS

Mayor Jackie Warner, Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Kenjuana McCray; Commissioners Jerry Legge, Bryan Marley, Grilley Mitchell and Joanne Scarola.

STAFF PRESENT

Town Manager Scott Meszaros, Town Clerk Jane Starling, Finance Director Drew Holland, Deputy Public Works Director Bruce Clark, Parks & Recreation Director Lamarco Morrison, Police Chief Stephen Dollinger, Human Resources Director Leesa Jensen and Assistant Director – Athletics/Maintenance Maxey Dove. Also present was Town Attorney Dan Hartzog, Jr.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation was led by Reverend Prentis Harris, Hope Mills United Methodist Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Jackie Warner.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Dr. McCray, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell and carried unanimously, to approve the agenda as presented with the removal of Official Comments from item 2, moved to item 12.

2. OFFICIAL COMMENTS. Moved to item 12.

3. PRESENTATIONS:

- a. Recognition of the Hope Mills 2022 “O” Zone State Champion Baseball Team.

Mayor Warner presented certificates of recognition to members of the state champion baseball team.

- b. State of the Town Presentation by Town Manager Scott Meszaros.

Town Manager Meszaros reviewed the State of the Town presentation, included in the agenda packet, by aid of PowerPoint presentation.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Ms. Rosalyn Hood, 3808 Chantelle Drive, Fayetteville, NC. Ms. Hood requested the community’s support in her campaign for District Court Judge.

6. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Consideration of Approval of Draft Minutes from the July 18, 2022 Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting.

“END OF CONSENT AGENDA”

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

7. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Consideration of Authorizing the Town Manager to Contract with Dormakaba USA Inc. This is for the installation of Touchless Automatic sliding glass doors, at a cost of \$10,628.05.

Commissioner Mitchell inquired whether the Town would look into purchasing an additional warranty for the doors. Deputy Public Works Director Bruce Clark responded the one-year warranty is standard and staff will look into extended warranty options.

Motion made by Commissioner Marley, seconded by Commissioner Legge and carried unanimously, to authorize the Town Manager to contract with Dormakaba USA Inc. for the installation of touchless automatic sliding glass doors, at the cost of \$10,628.05.

- b. Consideration of Approval of Ordinance S2022-06 Changing NC 59 to SR 1596 in the Town Code and Concurring with NC DOT State Ordinance Changes. This is the final step needed by the State to complete the change from a highway to a secondary rd.

Motion made by Commissioner Legge, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell and carried unanimously, to approve Ordinance S2022-06 changing NC 59 to SR 1596 in the Town Code and concurring with NCDOT State Ordinance changes.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

9. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS:

- a. Manager’s Report.

Town Manager Meszaros provided a copy of the report in the agenda packet.

Discussion ensued regarding a representative from NCDOT attending a meeting to provide updates on the roadway projects.

b. Reminders.

- August 4, 2022 Prime Movers Committee at 6:00PM in the Luther Board Room.
- August 8, 2022 Sunshine Committee at 6:00PM in the Recreation Center.
- August 10, 2022 Historic Preservation Committee at 6:00PM in the Recreation Center.
- August 15, 2022 Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting at 7:00PM in the Luther Board Room.
- August 22, 2022 Parks and Recreation Committee at 6:30PM in the Recreation Center.
- August 23, 2022 Appearance Commission at 6:30PM in the Recreation Center.
- August 25, 2022 Veterans Affairs Committee at 6:00PM in the Recreation Center.
- September 5, 2022 LABOR DAY HOLIDAY Town offices closed.

c. Committee Liaisons update on Committee Activities.

- Commissioner Bryan Marley - Historic Preservation Committee
- Commissioner Grilley Mitchell - Appearance Commission, RLUAC (Regional Land Use Advisory Commission) Sunshine Committee

Commissioner Mitchell remarked at the recent Appearance Commission meeting the Committee discussed Christmas planning.

- Commissioner Joanne Scarola – Veterans Affairs Committee

Commissioner Scarola remarked the Veterans Affairs Committee discussed the Purple Heart Dinner, Heroes Homecoming, and possibly holding a 9/11 Patriots Day.

- Mayor Pro Tem Dr. McCray - Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee, Prime Movers

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. McCray provided an update of the projects the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee discussed to include the inclusive playground, basketball courts, and fall sports and programs. They also discussed the dates for Bites, Boos, and Brews, formally Ole Mill Days. The Prime Movers will be hosting a concert at the lake on that same weekend.

- Mayor Jackie Warner- Mayor's Youth Leadership Committee, Mid-Carolina Council of Governments, FAMPO TPB (Transportation Policy Board), FCEDC Municipal Advisory Meeting Liaison, Sunshine Committee

Mayor Warner remarked Mid-Carolina Council of Governments will be hosting a Workforce Development Summit in Lillington on August 23rd.

Mayor Warner requested the Comprehensive Transportation Plan website link be shared on the Town's website.

10. STAFF COMMENTS.

11. CLOSED SESSION.

- a. Closed Session called pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (6) to discuss a personnel matter and NCGS 143-318.11 (A) (3) Attorney Client Privilege.

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) (6) to discuss a personnel matter and NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (3) to consult with the Town Attorney on matters within the Attorney-Client privilege.

Mayor Warner instructed the Board to assemble in the front conference room at 7:52 p.m.

At 10:44 p.m. Mayor Warner called the regular meeting back to order.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Dr. McCray, seconded by Commissioner Scarola 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.

12. OFFICIAL COMMENTS.

Mayor Warner remarked she will be sending out information to build a team for the United Way Pack a Meal event on August 25th at Snyder Memorial Baptist Church from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. United Way of Cumberland County is in need of 200 volunteers for the event.

13. ADJOURNMENT.

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

Mayor Warner adjourned the meeting at 10:46 p.m.

Jackie Warner, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jane G. Starling CMC, NCCMC
Town Clerk