Edenton Town Council Minutes December 14, 2021

The Edenton Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The following members were present: Mayor Jimmy Stallings, Councilman Elton Bond, Councilman Roger Coleman, Councilman Samuel Dixon, Councilman Craig Miller, Councilman Hackney High and Councilman Roscoe Poole.

Mayor Jimmy Stallings called the meeting to order.

All present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilman Roscoe Poole gave the invocation.

The following minutes were presented for approval: special meetings of November 2, 2021 and November 22, 2021; regular meeting of November 9, 2021.

Councilman Bond made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilman Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was committee report.

The Administrative Committee had one item on the agenda.

Councilman High stated that the item was the appointments of Susan Inglis and William Ahearn to the Edenton Tree Committee.

Councilman High made a motion to approve the appointments. Councilman Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was new business.

The first item was the Town of Edenton and St. Georges Historic Marker Agreement.

Corey Gooden, Town Manager reported that the DOT encroachment agreement was submitted on behalf of St. Georges Orthodox Church. The agreement will allow for the installation of a historical marker in front of the church property between the sidewalk and curb. This agreement was approved by DOT and the next step will be for the Town Council to approval an agreement between the Town and the Church. This agreement will place all maintenance and upkeep responsibilities onto the Church.

Councilman Miller made a motion to approve the agreement. Councilman Bond seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The next item was the budget amendment for the Fire Department pumper truck.

Corey Gooden, Town Manager explained that the Town Council approved at its August regular meeting the loan funding agreement with Truist Bank for the purchase of the pumper truck. A capital project budget ordinance was not adopted at that time and this will allow the project to move forward.

Councilman Bond made a motion to approve the budget ordinance. Councilman Dixon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The next item was the budget amendment for the sale of timber at the Northeastern Regional Airport.

Corey Gooden, Town Manager stated that this amendment will recognize the sale of the timber at the airport with a portion of the revenue paying for the loan from the General Fund this fiscal year and the remaining revenue will be used for maintenance/repairs at the airport terminal building.

Councilman Bond made a motion to approve the budget amendment. Councilman High seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The next item was the budget amendment for the airport loan repayment.

Corey Gooden, Town Manager explained that this will show the repayment of the airport loan in the amount of \$14,400 from the General Fund. He stated that this will allow the Police Department to purchase the Wrap Reality Hardware System that is needed for the virtual training of the Bola Wrap.

Councilman Dixon made a motion to approve the budget amendment. Councilman High seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The last item on the agenda required no action, was for information only. The 2021 Tree City USA Application.

Corey Gooden, Town Manager reported that the application for the 2021-22 year has been submitted and this will be the Town's 42nd year being a part of this program.

Next on the agenda was items considered timely and important.

Councilman Coleman request that for the January meeting the Town Council amend their statement regarding the Confederate Monument relocation.

Next on the agenda was public comment. No one was present from the public.

Councilman Bond made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Dixon. The motion carried unanimously.