

Edenton Town Council Minutes  
February 22, 2021

The Edenton Town Council met on Monday, February 22, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers for committee meetings. The following members were present: Mayor Jimmy Stallings, Councilman Elton Bond, Councilman Roger Coleman, Councilman Samuel Dixon, Councilman Hackney High and Councilman Craig Miller and Councilman Roscoe Poole.

Mayor Jimmy Stallings called the meeting to order.

The Public Works Committee had two items on the agenda.

Councilman Miller stated that the first item was the revised engineering services agreement for the renovations and upgrade to the wastewater treatment plant.

Councilman Miller stated that the Town received USDA Funding, a \$2 Million grant and \$4 M loan (1.37%) to renovate and upgrade the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The Town Council previously approved an agreement with Wooten Company for the preliminary engineering for the design of the upgrades and renovations. Amendment #1 was approved in September 2019 adding wetlands delineation to the agreement and Amendment #2 was approved in November 2020 adding bidding and construction administration, resident representative services (inspection).

Councilman Miller stated that USDA has asked that the Town revise the existing agreement and amendments into one agreement that includes current USDA required language. The plans and specifications for the upgrades to the WWTP have been submitted to NC Department of Environmental Quality and USDA. When approval is received, the Town will formally bid out the project. Then the Town we will have to submit application to NC Local Government Commission for approval of the USDA Loan.

The second item was the No Parking Zone on East Queen Street.

Councilman Miller stated that resident of East Queen requested that two parking spaces be designated at the end of the 200 block of East Queen Street No parking to help mediate traffic at this intersection. There is a town code for no parking 30 feet from a stop sign so therefore no action is needed.

The Administrative Committee had five items on the agenda.

Councilman High stated that the first item was the Approval of Athletic Accomplishments Signs.

It was recommended that this item moved forward to the next regular meeting agenda.

The second item was the offer to purchase the old landfill.

Councilman High stated that Councilman Coleman raised concerns about the offer (\$15,000) being lower than tax value (\$17,000), concerned about tax value and perhaps an appraisal should be commissioned. It was the consensus to run the upset bid process for the property.

The third item was the establishment of the Mayor's Taskforce on Litter Prevention, Recycling and the Environment.

It was recommended to place this item on the next regular meeting agenda for approval of a Taskforce.

The fourth item was the boards and commissions reappointments.

Councilman High stated that Ms. Knighton prepared a list of members who were eligible for reappointments and had been in touch with everyone and waiting to hear back from one member.

It was recommended to place this item on the next agenda for reappointments to be made for those wanting to serve again.

The last item was the Lead for NC Fellowship Program.

The Council directed staff to complete the necessary application to apply for the fellowship program.

There being no further items on the committee meeting agenda, the meeting was adjourned.