



Edenton Town Council - Meeting Summary  
**Tuesday, August 28, 2023**

*The purpose of this notice is to summarize items from the meetings and is not comprehensive. This summary does not replace the official minutes. Go to the Town of Edenton's YouTube Channel for a video of the full meeting, or our website for the official minutes.*

**Present:** Mayor Jimmy Stallings, Hackney High Jr., Samuel Dixon, Aaron Coston, Elton Bond, Craig Miller, Roger Coleman, and Town Manager Corey Gooden.

**Closed Session – For negotiations on behalf of the Public Body for the acquisition of real property**

- Council held a closed session to discuss the acquisition of real property.

**Closed Session – To conduct performance evaluation of the Town Manager**

- Council held a second closed session to conduct and discuss a performance evaluation of the Town Manager, as is held annually.

**Special Meeting**

- **Board and Commission Appointment**
  - Council unanimously approved Blaine Charak for the Board of Adjustments as an Alternate Member.
- **Work Authorization – Runway Lighting Rehabilitation**
  - Council unanimously approved the work authorization for a runway lighting rehab project at Northeastern Regional Airport. For the proposed paving project, another work authorization will come later.
- **Financing Proposals - 2023 Sanitation Truck**
  - Council unanimously approved an offer from Southern Bank to finance \$221,500 for the purchase of a 2023 Peterbilt 537 Sanitation Truck. The financing term is 10 years with an interest rate of 5.03%. The annual payment will be \$22,150 with an interest total of \$61,332.93, for a total payback of **\$282,832.93**.
  - The second offer was for 15 years at an interest rate of 5.42%.

- **Real Property Purchase Offer**

- Council unanimously approved submitting a purchase offer for real property, after holding a closed session to discuss said property and a proposed offer.

**Administrative Committee**

- **Fire Department Residency Requirements Update**

- This item was forwarded to full council. A proposal is on the table to alter the current residency requirements for the fire department – **All Edenton Fire Department full-time employees with the exception of the Fire Chief, shall reside within 30 minutes of the station. The Fire Chief shall reside within the town limits or within a six-mile radius of the town limits. All volunteer firemen must reside within the Edenton Fire Department service district.**

**Utilities Committee**

- **Electric & Water Utilities Customer Service Policy Review**

- This item was forwarded to full council. Council is primarily considering whether to keep, remove, shift, or downsize a \$25 nonpayment fee for late utility bills, but conversations are not limited exclusively to that single fee.

**Public Works Committee**

- **Additional Handicap Parking Spaces – 200 Block S. Broad**

- This item was forwarded to full council. Public Works Director David Myers requested that council vote to create two new handicap parking spaces in Downtown Edenton. The first would be converting the existing parallel parking space at the corner of South Broad and West Queen (in front of Southern Bank, the first on the right). The second would be the first space directly in front of Emilio's General Store (the takeout/pickup order spot), adjacent to the curb and sidewalk.