

Edenton Town Council Minutes
February 25, 2019

The Edenton Town Council met on Monday, February 25, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers for committee meetings. The following members were present: Mayor Roland Vaughan, Councilman Steve Biggs, Councilman Elton Bond, Councilman Samuel Dixon, Councilman Craig Miller, Councilman Roscoe Poole and Councilman Jimmy Stallings

The Administrative Committee had four items on the agenda.

The first item was to conduct boards and commissions interviews with Randy Naylor and John Sams.

Interviews were conducted with both interested citizens.

The next item was the short term rentals.

For this item the Chowan County Tax Supervisor, Melissa Radke gave a report on the occupancy tax for traditional and short term rentals. Ms. Radke stated that the current occupancy tax rate was 5% for Chowan County. She explained the process for collecting the occupancy tax and rules and regulations of the process.

The second report for this item was from the UNC School of Government on a model ordinance.

Rebecca Badgett gave a presentation on the draft ordinance that has been created for Edenton.

The next item was the acceptance of gift-trailer from Regulator Marine.

Fire Chief Billy Bass gave a brief presentation on the 1923 REO and that it is currently stored inside at the Fire Station and that it is very close to other equipment and space is limited. Fire Chief Bass has offered the donation of an enclosed trailer to store the 1923 REO and this will allow transport to local Christmas parades and other conventions and events.

This item was recommended to be placed on the next full Council agenda for approval.

The last item was the award of bids for the NC Housing Finance Agency Single Family Rehabilitation Grant.

Councilman Biggs stated there were three bids received and the lowest bidder was William Holley Construction.

This item was recommended to be placed on the next full Council agenda for approval.

The Public Works Committee had two items on the agenda.

Councilman Stallings stated that the first item was the NC Division of Coastal Management CAMA Public Access Grant Agreement.

Councilman Stallings stated that this grant was for the bulkhead on Water Street and the funding was for \$111,000 and the town's portions would be \$25,000.

Corey Gooden, Public Works Director, gave a brief presentation on the Water Street issues flooding issues.

This item was recommended to be placed on the next full Council agenda for approval.

Councilman Stallings stated that the last item was the speed limit study update for East King Street and South Oakum Street.

Ms. Knighton shared pictures of speed cushions that were located in Greenville and asked staff members to follow up with Greenville staff to see what the impact was with the installation of the speed cushions.

The Finance Committee had five items on the agenda.

Councilman Dixon stated that the first item was the FY 2018/19 audit agreement. Donna Winborne has submitted an agreement for \$25,000 to complete the fiscal year audit.

This item was recommended to be placed on the next full Council agenda for approval.

Councilman Dixon stated that the second item was the grant agreement for the Governor's Crime Commission for Police Surveillance Cameras.

Ms. Knighton stated that this would add 7 cameras to the police camera network. The grant is 100% with no match, \$24,500.

This item was recommended to be placed on the next full Council agenda for approval.

Councilman Dixon stated that the next item was the budget amendment for the Governor's Crime Commission – Police Surveillance Cameras.

This item was recommended to be placed on the next full Council agenda for approval.

Councilman Dixon stated that the next item was the lease agreement for the NCDOT garage space at airport terminal building.

Ms. Knighton stated that the NC Department of Transportation has inquired about leasing a portion of the garage for \$200.00 per month.

This item was recommended to be placed on the next full Council agenda for approval.

Councilman Dixon stated that the last item was the approval of travel for the Mayor's attendance to the National Main Street Conference.

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

