

Edenton Town Council Minutes
September 10, 2019

The Edenton Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. The following member were present: Mayor Roland Vaughan, Councilman Steve Biggs, Councilman Elton Bond, Councilman Samuel Dixon, Councilman Craig Miller, Councilman Roscoe Poole and Councilman Jimmy Stallings.

Mayor Roland Vaughan called the meeting to order.

All present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Roscoe Poole offered the invocation.

Mayor Vaughan thanked all the town employees for their hard work during the recent hurricane and the clean up after.

Next on the agenda was committee reports.

The Administrative Committee was next on the agenda with six items.

Councilman Biggs stated that item #3 would be delayed until a later meeting.

Councilman Biggs stated that it was recommended that Council approve proposal to upgrade weapons for Edenton Police Officers as presented.

Councilman Biggs made a motion to approve the proposal to upgrade weapons for Edenton Police Officers as presented. Councilman Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Biggs stated that the next item was a recommendation that Council approve the Quit Claim Deed and First Amendment to Land Lease for the Penelope Barker House, 505 S. Broad St. as presented.

Councilman Biggs made a motion to approve the quit claim deed and first amendment to land lease for the Penelope Barker House, 505 South Broad St. as presented. Councilman Bond seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Biggs stated that the next item was a recommendation that Council approve contribution to the NC National Guard World War I Monuments as presented. The Town of Edenton's contribution will be \$500.00.

Councilman Biggs made a motion to approve the contribution to the NC National Guard World War I monuments as presented. Councilman Bond seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Biggs stated that it was recommended Council approve award of bids for the NC Housing Finance Agency Housing Rehabilitation Grant to rehabilitate 2 units as presented.

Councilman Biggs made a motion to approve the award of bids. Councilman Bond seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Biggs stated that it was recommended that Council approve master airport engineering and planning services proposal with Talbert & Bright as presented.

Councilman Biggs made a motion to approve the master airport engineering and planning services proposal with Talbert & Bright as presented. Councilman Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was new business.

The item for approval was the disaster related debris removal agreement for NCDOT.

Ms. Knighton stated that this agreement has to be approved in the event of a natural disaster that the town with approval from DOT could accept responsibility for collecting debris from certain state roads and be reimbursed.

Councilman Biggs made a motion to approve the agreement. Councilman Stallings seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was items timely and important.

Councilman Miller asked if there was any progress on the bike rental business.

Ms. Knighton stated that the person is trying to obtain quotes on the appropriate insurance for the business and she would check in with him on the progress.

Councilman Miller asked about the progress of the sidewalk project for South Granville Street and West Water Street.

Public Works Director Corey Gooden reported that the work is scheduled and hopes to have it done before cooler weather.

Councilman Stallings asked if there was any further information about the local National Guard unit being relocated from Chowan County.

Ms. Knighton reported that there was a recent meeting help with Senator Steinburg and it was a great opportunity to present a white paper to show the aviation related assets and close proximity to the airport to share with the National Guard leadership.

Next on the agenda was public comment.

Miles Layton asked for an update on Taco Bell and Hotel Hinton.

Ms. Knighton stated that Taco Bell is planning on pulling building permits this week and timeline for construction would be to start the project by the end of the month and construction would be 8-9 months.

Ms. Knighton stated for the Hotel Hinton project, the bank the developer is working with is in the due diligence phase and would be making a trip to the Outer Banks to look at projects that the developer has built.

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