

Town of Bermuda Run

Town Council Meeting Minutes

November 8, 2022 – 6:00 PM

The Town Council of Bermuda Run held its scheduled meeting on Tuesday, November 8, 2022 at 6:00 PM. The meeting was held at the Bermuda Run Town Hall.

Council Members Present: Mayor Rick Cross, Mike Brannon, Curtis Capps, Heather Coleman, Mike Ernst, and Melinda Szeliga

Council Members Absent:

Also Present: Andrew Meadwell, Town Manager; Cindy Poe, Town Clerk; and Brian Williams, Town Attorney

Call to Order Mayor Rick Cross called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

It is the intent of the Town Council to solemnize the proceedings of this meeting and the business brought before the governing board, to offer the opportunity for a reflective moment of silence. Mayor Cross recognized Veterans and mentioned today being election day.

Town of Bermuda Run Code of Ethics Statement – Town Attorney Brian Williams

Adoption of the Agenda

Council Member Heather Coleman made a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Melinda Szeliga seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of five (5) in favor and none opposed.

Approval of the October 11, 2022 Town Council Meeting Minutes

Council Member Curtis Capps made a motion to approve the October 11, 2022 meeting minutes. Council Member Heather Coleman seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of five (5) in favor and none opposed.

Citizens' Comments –

Christy Schafer – 132 Tifton Street – Gave update on the 2nd Annual Christmas in Bermuda Run event that will be held on Sunday, December 4. Addition of tents, Santa's mailboxes, and a new "Bermuda Run Express" train, plus other exciting things to do for all. They have over 70 volunteers so far, and could use more. Gini Brannon is the volunteer coordinator for the event.

Rosanne Peacock – 114 Sycamore Park Lane – Gave update regarding the Davie Medical Center Tree Lighting event and ways for people to support this year's charity – Storehouse for Jesus, by purchasing lights or stars.

Bobbie Thacker – 133 Bermuda Run Drive North – Shared her concern regarding leaves not being picked up in a timely manner in the Maisonettes. Would like to see a more consistent schedule.

Presentation- Kelly Funderburk with the Davie County Register of Deeds Office – “Thank a Vet” Program

Davie County Sheriff’s Department Update – Sheriff J.D. Hartman

Proposed Action Items

A. Review of Proposed Agreement with Davie County Sheriff’s Department

The agreement presented before the Town Council is a five (5) year renewal extension for the Davie County Sheriff’s Department to provide for one fully-equipped and fully-trained law enforcement officer for duty in the Town of Bermuda Run for forty (40) hours per week. The assignment of duties is to be made under the direction and full control of the Sheriff as to days and hours of scheduling. Town Attorney Brian Williams has reviewed the proposed agreement.

Council Member Mike Ernst made a motion to approve the proposed agreement with the Davie County Sheriff’s Department. Council Member Curtis Capps seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of five (5) in favor and none opposed.

B. Review of Grantee/Sub-Grantees Acknowledgement and Agreement

The State Legislature awarded Davie County \$8 million in ARPA funding in SL 2022-74. A portion of the funding was intended to assist the Town of Bermuda Run in removing its wastewater discharge from the Yadkin River and transferring it to the Eastern Davie County Regional Wastewater System. The project involves upgrading the Bermuda Run Juniper Pump Station and removing the Bermuda Run Wastewater Treatment Plant. This agreement will allow Davie County to act as a pass-thru for the Town of Bermuda Run from the State of North Carolina for the above grant. Town Attorney Brian Williams has reviewed the proposed agreement.

Council Member Heather Coleman made a motion to enter into the agreement as proposed. Council Member Curtis Capps seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of five (5) in favor and none opposed.

C. Update 2022 Council Meeting Schedule

Staff is requesting that *Thursday, December 22* be considered for a Council Agenda Meeting – there was no Agenda Meeting scheduled for December due to the Christmas Holiday.

Council Member Melinda Szeliga made a motion to approve the meeting schedule change. Council Member Heather Coleman seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of five (5) in favor and none opposed.

Town Manager Comments –

- *Baltimore Road project – public input session well-attended. Possible construction in 2025.*
- *Blue Heron Trail bridge is set in place and project almost complete – first phase to open sometime in January, 2023.*
- *Juniper Pump Station demolition*
- *E-911 Addressing – Ordinance being reviewed.*
- *Ariston Place project behind Walgreens on Hwy. 801 – Hubbard Building demolition. Fence in place is just a construction fence – not permanent.*
- *Town Audit presentation at the November Agenda Meeting*

Council/Town Manager/Mayor Comments

Mike Ernst – Thanked the “Tree-O” for all of their hard work, adding that they do a fabulous job. Thanked the Sheriff’s Department and Community Officer Mike Foster for all they do for the Town.

Curtis Capps – Thanked everyone in attendance. Thanked Kelly Funderburk for her presentation. Added that he's excited for another 5-year contract with the Davie County Sheriff's Department.

Melinda Szeliga - Great night – Hopes everyone had a chance to vote in the election, either today or by one-stop early voting. Excited that there are so many volunteers already signed up for the Christmas in Bermuda Run event; adding we can always use more! Feels the Baltimore Road interchange will have a positive impact on the Hwy. 158/801 intersection and was delighted to attend the public input meeting with the DOT. Thanked Kelly Funderburk and the sacrifices made by all military families. Appreciates her passion for helping Veterans.

Mike Brannon – Echoed all that other Council Members have said.

Heather Coleman – Loves hearing conversations and excitement around town regarding the Blue Heron Trail. Shared concerns regarding the Advance Post Office and their handling of packages at the Bermuda Run Package Room. Feels that there are some packages that will not fit in the lockers that should be delivered to the homes - as they are in other areas of town.

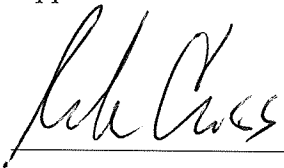
Mayor Rick Cross -

- Thanked Kelly Funderburk for her passion for her job and tonight's presentation.
- Over 4,000 Davie County residents participated in one-stop early voting at the Bermuda Run Town Hall. Thanked all of the poll workers.
- Planning Board vacancies; more than a dozen responses so far from across the community.
- New businesses in the town; addition of greenhouse at Steelman's Ace Hardware.
- Thanked the "Tree-O" of Sharon, Christy, and Rosanne for their hard work.
- Presentations coming up by Habitat Davie and Pat Ivey of the NC DOT/Division 9.
- November 18 – Shop local – "Pink Friday"
- Thanked residents who send letters to the editor – Davie Enterprise, adding that they are very thought-provoking.
- Thanked everyone in attendance.

Adjourn

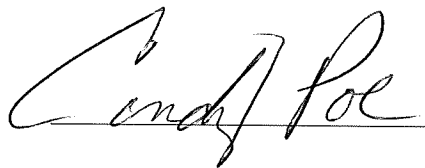
With no further business to discuss, Council Member Melinda Szeliga made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Heather Coleman seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of five (5) in favor and none opposed.

Approved



Rick Cross, Mayor

Respectfully Submitted



Cindy Poe, Town Clerk