

Bermuda Run Town Council
AGENDA MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, July 25 at 8:30 am
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; Brian Williams, Town Attorney

1. Call to Order

Mayor Rick Cross called the meeting to order.

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

3. Adoption of the Agenda

Council Member Curtis Capps made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Council Member Melinda Szeliga seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and none opposed.

4. Approval of the June 27, 2023 Agenda Meeting Minutes

Council Member Mike Ernst made a motion to approve the June 27, 2023 Agenda Meeting minutes. Council Member Mike Brannon seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and none opposed.

(NOTE – Council Member Heather Coleman arrived late.)

5. Citizen Comments – Vera Williamson of 229 Haywood Drive, Advance was introduced by Attorney Brad Friesen (who stated that she was a personal friend, and that she had reached out to him after the July 11 Council Meeting.) She apologized for her “accusatory and inflammatory” email that she had sent to the Town Council and Town Manager, stating that it fell short of her Christian values. She requested that the August 8 Public Hearing be postponed. She shared her concerns regarding 10/70 allocations and said that an audit of Davie County and the Town of Bermuda Run should bring clarification, asking for transparent decisions and information. Stated that there was “conflicting information on charts” that “mask lack of proper management”.

6. Action Items

A. Update on July 11 Continued Meeting – Public Hearing for Hall Walker Annexation and 10/70 Request

*The Council agreed unanimously to continue the meeting on August 8 at the Bermuda Run Town Hall and NOT to take action on the proposed Hall Walker Annexation and 10/70 Request Public Hearing until after an audit of Davie County and the Town of Bermuda Run by the NC Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ). **The August 8 meeting will reconvene, postpone the public hearing; then step into the regular August 8 meeting per the agenda presented.*

B. Agreement for Bahnson Lakes Stream Restoration Projects

a. Town of Bermuda Run and RISE

The Town Manager and Town Attorney recommend the Council to act on agreement.
Council Member Heather Coleman made a motion to approve the agreement as presented with Council Member Mike Brannon seconding the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of five (5) in favor and none opposed.

7. Informational Items

- Bahnson Lakes – Survey work is being done. Working with Pilot View for funding. Will work with Angel Jackson regarding communication to residents of Kinderton Village.
- Vision Committee Update – Christy Schaffer shared information regarding projects – Flag project near WinMock and the Blue Heron Trail (preliminary drawings, funding options, etc.); Food Truck Friday (Sept. 8); Christmas in Bermuda Run (photo shoot for Stroll Magazine in Nov); Marketing items such as Christmas ornaments, candles; Idea for possible car/concourse show.
- Pedestrian Ways Update - Council members Brannon and Szeliga and the Town Manager met with Ferrell Nicholson on Thursday discussing pedestrian ways along Riverbend and Bermuda Run Drives.
- AIA Wastewater Study - \$400,000 grant (6-8 months to complete) Maps out the town's sewer system in order to transfer to Davie County for maintenance and ownership.
- Blue Heron Trail – Pedestrian Bridge over I-40 /goal to spur from the current trail. Working with John Grey Engineering on design/cost estimates.
- HUD/CFA Grant - \$3.6 million grant – Not heard back (Andrew Meadwell) – This will mainly benefit RISE and Fusion safety improvements/parking areas.
- 158/801 Intersection Improvements – Fiber Optic/water line issues – new stop light heads. DOT is running behind on projects.
- Future Land Use – Working sessions/4-5 months of discussions regarding Comprehensive Plan objectives and guided growth/development of the Town of Bermuda Run.
- Council Member Mike Brannon gave an update regarding the TAC meeting at Salem Lake regarding upcoming projects in Davie County – road widening Hwy. 801 to Oak Valley, and Hwy. 158 to Redland Road.

8. **Mayor Comments** – Mayor Rick Cross stressed the importance of doing what we can for everyone to understand the process when it comes to development and our commitment to the Comprehensive Plan. He wants to stay engaged with all members of the community – both residents and businesses. He would like to have “Town Hall”-type meetings, possibly at the end of August, 2023. The filing period for the Board of Elections – Mayor and Town Council seats – ended on Friday, July 21 at Noon. Council Member Mike Brannon is running unopposed for the mayor seat. Since there are 5 candidates for Council, there will be a Primary on October 10.

9. Adjourn

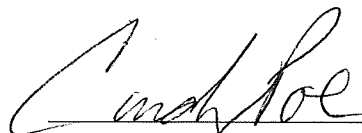
With no further business, Council Member Heather Coleman called for the meeting to be adjourned. Council Member Mike Ernst seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of five (5) in favor and none opposed.

Approved:



Rick Cross, Mayor

Respectfully submitted:



Cindy Poe, Town Clerk