



**Tammy Kelleles, Town Manager/Clerk**

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**Town Council Meeting  
Town of Greensboro  
10.5.23**

In attendance were Mayor Robert Harrison, Commissioner Pete Brelia, Commissioner David Spencer, Town Manager Tammy Kelleles, Town Attorney Lyndsey Ryan, Public Works Supervisor Brandon Cunningham, Sgt. Lenox Trams, Public Outreach/Main Street Coordinator Amanda Weaver, Finance Clerk Dawn Parks, Greensboro Historical Society President Vanice Myers, and Pastor Bonnie Shively. Residents present were Christina Robinson, Megan Lord, Sandra Washington, Joe and Melissa Noon, Ken and Agnes Burk, Dawn Lewis, Greg North, Jessica and Mike Mackey, Elizabeth Jackson, Jacqueline and Ella Green and Angelo DeSimone. On Zoom were Latrese Brown, Elizabeth Miles, Connie Connolly and clandolfi.

Meeting called to order at 6 pm by Mayor Robert Harrison.

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation by Pastor Bonnie Shively.

Swearing in of new Commissioner Christina Robinson by Mayor Robert Harrison.

**Approval of 8.7.23 meeting minutes**

*Mayor Harrison asked for approval of the minutes. Commissioner Brelia made a motion to approve minutes and Commissioner Spencer seconded the motion. Meeting minutes approved.*

**Charles Hiram Stonseifer M.D. Day Proclamation**

Greensboro Historical Society President Vanice Myers speaks about the life of Dr. Stoneseifer and his impact on the town's residents. She presented a proclamation and asked that the council sign it as of 9/23/23 to be the same as the signed date of the proclamation signed by the Caroline County Commissioners.

Ms. Myers also announced that the original event for Dr. Stoneseifer Day had to be postponed to 10.28.23 from 10 am – 1 pm. Everyone is welcome and there will be light refreshments served. Commissioner Spencer remembers the doctor and thinks it is great that historical society is

honoring him, especially on his birthday. Ms. Myers thanked the council for signing the proclamation and for their time.

### **Video recording policy – postponed**

### **Stop Signs – Wood Duck Drive at Academy Street**

Mike Mackey produced signatures of at least 35 people who oppose the removal of the stop signs. He says there are up to 500 cars going through each day. There was discussion on the history of the stop sign at the intersection. He explained that the signs are not costing anything and that if we install speed bumps there will be a cost.

Ken Burk spoke about many people running the stop sign anyway as to the reason to have it removed. There are also signatures of people who want the sign removed. Several other residents (Agnes Burk, Jessica O’Keefe, and Jessica Mackey) gave their opinions on the matter.

Mayor Harrison commented that Town Council will review and make a decision after the election.

## **Committee and Department Reports**

### **Town Manager**

Town Manager Tammy Kelleles gave the following report:

- Kinnamon Meadows – Underground Construction is finishing up the water/sewer lines for 20 lots and the project is moving along. The first homes may be ready by the first part of November.
- DBF is looking into calculating the true capacity of the available EDU’s. EDUs are typically based on a 2 ½ person household but as of the 2020 Census Greensboro is at 3.1 persons per household.
- Phase II of the roadwork was awarded to Bramble. The streets to be done are:
  - Ober from Church to Roe
  - Academy from Sunset to Wood Duck Drive
  - Church from Sunset to Bernard
  - Vaughn from School Street to Main Street
- Election – There are 7 candidates for Commissioner.
  - Robert Harrison
  - Pete Brelia
  - Richard Covert
  - Megan Lord
  - Joe Noon
  - Greg North
  - Jessica Ortiz
  - For Mayor David Spencer is running unopposed.
- There will be a meet and greet on 10.26.23 at 6:30 pm. More details to come.
- The candidate books are ready in English and Amanda is working with the Multi-Cultural Center to get them in Spanish.

- Code Enforcement Officer Jaime Fowler issued 37 violations and warnings with several being sent by certified mail. One for untagged/unsafe vehicles.
- Community Outreach/Main Street Coordinator Amanda Weaver is working on the website.
- Mrs. Kelledees and Mrs. Weaver attended a grant management training hosted by the *Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention for Maryland*.
- The MML Conference for fall is from 10/15 – 10/17

## **Police Department**

Sergeant Lennox Trams gave the following report:

- 11 calls for service to assist other agencies
- 1 death
- 1 2<sup>nd</sup> degree assault
- 1 damaged property
- 1 fraud
- 2 accidents
- 32 traffic
- New recruit Jacob Smith is from New Mexico. He will be attending one month of comparative compliance training which starts on 10/9. Upon graduation he will ride with Sgt. Trams for 160 hours and then he will have completed all training.
- On 10/23 techs will be installing new equipment on the police vehicles which is a system that will submit crime reports directly to Caroline County.
- Commissioner Spencer asked about the number of accidents or actions at the STOP sign at Academy and Wood Duck. Sgt. Trams said he will check on the accidents but has the following data:
  - 2013 1 warning
  - 2014 2 warnings, 1 citation
  - 2015 5 warnings, 1 citation
  - 2016 9 warnings, 5 citations
  - 2017 4 warnings, 1 citation
  - 2018 10 warnings, 1 citation
  - 2019 1 warning, 1 citation
  - 2020 5 warnings, 1 citation
  - 2021 7 warnings, 1 citation
  - 2022 0 warning, 1 citation
  - 2023 3 warnings, 1 citation
- Discussion about a possible “No Outlet” sign and the fact that people run the Stop sign at that point every day.
- Joe Noon asked if the in-car cameras come on automatically. Sgt. Trams responded that they do; front facing and prisoner cage.

## **Public Works**

Public Works Supervisor Brandon Cunningham gave the following report:

- The crew has been cutting grass

- The Musicfest/Car Show was good even with the rain.
- Public Works has been replacing signs around town.
- He will look for a “No Outlet” sign.
- There were three loads picked up for brush pick up day.
- The issues from the storm at the old WWTP have been repaired and turned into the insurance company.
- There have been lots of call outs with the storms that we have had.
- Two pumps have been torn up.
- Commissioner Breliia asked about the inventory we have of pumps.
- Kinnamon Meadows – 20 lots will be done tomorrow, and photos will be taken for reference. There was discussion on sidewalks, gutters, and such as well as past flooding issues with adjoining properties.
- Bramble found a few manholes that had been paved over during the process of paving the streets. There were a few complaints but mostly residents seem happy with the road repairs.
  - Town is keeping the millings with the exception of eight loads to the Fire Company and one for the cemetery. Mr. Cunningham suggested that we keep some for public works but offer 1-2 loads per household. Commissioners Breliia and Spencer asked that Town Attorney Ryan draw up a waiver form that the property owner must sign. Public Works will only dump the millings – not spread them out.
- Commissioner Breliia mentioned to Mr. Cunningham about the resident on Maple that could use some and he responded that he planned to fix that as soon as the road is paved.
- It was brought up that there is a dumpster on Church Street that is not marked and sits in the street. Code Enforcement Officer Jaime Fowler will stop by the residence.
- A resident asked if we have a street sweeper and if so, it would be nice to see it used. Commissioner asked if we could put a post on Facebook when we are doing it.
- Melissa Noon inquired about the street signs that have been taken down and what happens to them after they are replaced. She offered to purchase them. Commissioner Breliia suggested coordinating with Mr. Cunningham.

### **Parks Board**

- Town Manager Kelleles and Community Outreach/Main Street Coordinator Weaver met with Kat Stork in relation to restarting a board and they will meet again in November.

### **Main Street Coordinator/Community Outreach**

Community Outreach/Main Street Coordinator Amanda Weaver gave the following report:

- When the food pantry started there were about 25 families per month. There are currently 25 families each Thursday and 35 families on Mondays.
- Food pantry is not able to keep up with the supplies. Many of the supplies come from Farmer Gene and Food Lion in addition to Aaron’s Place.
- Cathy Spencer said that any non-perishable food is accepted along with cat/dog food, feminine products, diapers, toilet paper, tissues, and paper towels.

- Per Aaron's Place, families/individuals can only visit a pantry two times per month. There is also a clothes drive on 11/17 for winter clothes items and accepting monetary donations. Mrs. Weaver said that someone from the Multi-cultural Center will be there to assist with Spanish speaking residents.
- Mrs. Kelleles thanked Cathy and David Spencer as well as Mrs. Weaver for all the hard work put into the pantry.
- Amanda Weaver updated the progress for Whoville and said that vendors will be set-up inside the community hall and there will be petting zoos. A \$5 donation is being asked for parking. There will be a sensory night and an after-school program night in addition to the regular weekends.
- Tammy Kelleles and Amanda Weaver met with Sue Simmons and are working on artwork in the town.
- The Fire Company has approved the use of their grounds for Cannifest in April
- Everyone in Town Hall is now TIPS certified.
- Mrs. Weaver thanked Brandon Cuning and the Public Works Department for putting notes on doors of residents asking them not to park on the street when the paving was being done.
- Volunteers are needed for Whoville, and service-learning hours are available for students.
- The Fire Company has had the fence installed around the perimeter and is also working on their addition.

### **Old Business**

- Town Manager Kelleles discusses front loading leave time for employees. She will talk to Attorney Ryan and get proposals to Council.

### **New Business**

None

### **Town Council Remarks**

- Commissioner Robinson says that she is happy to be on Council and wants to be transparent. She also reiterates that we all need to be respectful of each other.
- Commissioner Spencer is also excited for the elections and wished good luck to all candidates. He thanked everyone for being at the meeting.
- Commissioner Breli mentioned the cooperation between Public Works and Bramble during the road paving process and appreciates any issues being handled quickly.
- Mayor Harrison said he has asked Bramble for a price to pave his drive while they are in town. He also said that there have been complaints of traffic jams at the elementary school. Commissioner Spencer suggested that the school have parents picking up children to come through town instead of on 313.

Public Works Supervisor Cunningham said he has reached out to State Highway, and they have said we can paint the curbing red in front of the old hotel to indicate "No Parking".

*Mayor Harrison asked for a motion to paint the curbing in front of the hotel red. Motion made by Commissioner Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Breliia for Public Works to paint the curbing red in front of the hotel. Motion approved. All in favor.*

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Dawn Parks.