MINUTES OF MEETING OF MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL HELD
MARCH 20, 2017

WORK SESSION

The Mayor and Council of the City of Goldsboro, North Carolina, met in a Work Session in the Large Conference Room, City Hall Addition, 200 North Center Street, at 5:00 p.m. on March 20, 2017 with attendance as follows:

Present: Mayor Chuck Allen, Presiding
Mayor Pro Tem Bevan Foster
Councilmember Antonio Williams
Councilmember Bill Broadaway
Councilmember Mark Stevens
Councilmember David Ham
Councilmember Gene Aycock
Jim Womble, Attorney
Scott Stevens, City Manager
Melissa Corser, City Clerk
Randy Guthrie, Assistant City Manager
Kaye Scott, Finance Director
Jimmy Rowe, Planning Director
Jennifer Collins, Assistant Planning Director
Rick Fletcher, Public Works Director
Felicia Brown, Assistant Parks & Recreation Director
Stacia Fields,
Brad Hinnant, Server Database Administrator
Mike Wagner, Assistant Public Utilities Director
Shycole Simpson-Carter, Community Relations Director
Pam Leake, Interim Human Resources Director
Octavius Murphy, Assistant to the City Manager
Julie Metz, DGDC Director
Allen Anderson, Chief Building Inspector
Sherry Archibald, Paramount Theatre & GEC Director
Tracie Davis, Communications & Marketing Director
Mike West, Police Chief
Gary Whaley, Fire Chief
Ted Cole, Davenport
Rochelle Moore, Goldsboro News-Argus (arrived at 5:08 p.m.)
Lonnie Casey, Citizen
Shirley Edwards, Citizen
Carl Martin, Citizen
Mark Colebrook, Citizen
Bobby Mathis, Citizen
Della Mathis, Citizen
Chretien Dumond, Citizen (arrived at 5:19 p.m.)
Yvonna Moore, Citizen (arrived at 6:18 p.m.)

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Allen at 5:00 p.m.

Invocation. The invocation was provided by Chief Whaley.

H.V. Brown Park. Mr. Scott Stevens stated Scott Barnard had shared some concerns regarding some of the structures at H.V. Brown Park, we have not been renting the shelters. After speaking with Inspections and looking at engineering reports the shelters are ok for another season so we are going to bring that back to you during the budget process.

Summer Jobs – City Program. Ms. Shycole Simpson-Carter stated after several meetings we have established a partnership with Goldsboro Housing Authority and Wayne Community College for a potential pilot program for summer youth employment initiative. For this pilot program the City of Goldsboro’s Community Relations Office
will be the point of intake and we will assist Goldsboro Housing Authority with the
processing applications and we will fund those applications either through Parks and
Recreation, Wayne Community College or Goldsboro Housing Authority. The City will
have one track for six weeks targeting 26 youth between the ages of 14-15 that will be
employed in the Parks and Recreation Department. The 26 youth will be broken up into
two shifts with an 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. shift and a 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. shift and lunch
will be provided. The pay rate will be $6.00 per hour. The kids will meet at Parks and
Recreation and be transported to their assigned workstations each day. Tentatively, the
track for the City of Goldsboro is June 19th – July 28th. When you do a cost analysis for
the six weeks, per child would be $961.54 for a total of $25,000 for salary for the kids,
with two part-time counselors you are looking at approximately $9,000, other expenses
such as supplies, training materials would come in around $10,000. There is an
opportunity to do two options, first purchase or rent a van. To purchase a van it would be
$40,000, to rent a van from Enterprise it was estimated to cost between $600 to $900 per
week. When you look at the cost analysis and the potential use of the van, it may be
more feasible to purchase a van. The other partners, Goldsboro Housing Authority and
Wayne Community College will be on a two track which are also six weeks. Ms.
Simpson-Carter shared information regarding Wayne Community’s and Goldsboro
Housing Authority’s programs. Included in these programs are financial literacy, soft
skills, and trips to the legislature in Raleigh, or a trip to the beach. The two tracks that
Goldsboro Housing Authority and Wayne Community College are proposing: Track One
May 29 – July 7; Track Two July 10 – August 18. We are currently working with
Goldsboro Housing on the application as well as marketing. It is our goal on or nearly
after April 1st to release to the general public to get the program started.

Councilmember Williams stated I know you were not initially involved with it so it is not
directed at you but I think at our retreat Council assumed we were going to do more than
26 jobs. I do not think that will do anything for our young people in the community. We
must do better and we definitely did not agree to $6.00 per hour that is unacceptable.

Ms. Simpson-Carter stated I think the intent of those two items is one it is a pilot program
and this will be a way to gauge how to redevelop this program for the next year. As for
the amount of the pay rate was due to the age of the children who would be limited in
employment opportunities.

Councilmember Williams stated we just purchased a van so I do not see why we couldn’t
use the van we just purchased. There are definitely more funds available than $25,000 to
spend for a season. We have 30 positions, full-time positions that we did not staff. We
have $1.7 million dollars we can tap into to create some jobs. We need to rethink this.
We have 545 kids at the high school which less than half have jobs already. We must do
something because that is going to keep them out of trouble this summer, that is going to
give them the soft skills they need, this is very important for this community. They are a
part of this community and we can keep them out of trouble if we get them some
employment. We have $1.7 million dollars gentlemen we can use, but I need you guys to
get behind it. We can do more than 26 jobs, the Housing Authority is only going to do 10
that is unacceptable.

Ms. Simpson-Carter stated after further discussion the Housing Authority plans to hire
15.

Councilmember Williams stated that is unacceptable. There is no price on their life.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated I agree, $6.00 per hour is ridiculous first of all and I do not
see why we can’t create more jobs.

Mayor Allen stated let’s take it a point at a time. Remember we are talking about 14 and
15 year olds anyone older would get minimum wage and they cannot get a job anywhere
else.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated so since they can’t get a job anywhere else, we are going to
short change them.
Mayor Allen stated no, what do you want to pay.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated I am asking you a question, you stated because they are only 14 or 15 they cannot get a job anywhere else, so because of that we are going to take advantage of their age and only pay them $6.00 per hour.

Mayor Allen stated I think we are trying to teach them skills.

Council debated rate of pay. Councilmember Williams stated we should not be worried about taking them to the beaches, we need to teach them some skills, we need to teach them responsibility. We need to get them to the point where they enjoy working and the rewards of working.

Councilmember Stevens shared he attended the beach with the students from Wayne Community College, a lot of those kids needed to be trained in not only soft skills but also be trained how to pay attention and listen. They were teaching them how to work in a different environment. The world is bigger than Wayne County, Goldsboro, NC you need to be able to work with other cultures.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated at the end of the summer if we want to take them to the beach or on a trip than that is fine, but it should not be our focus.

Councilmember Stevens stated I understand that, but all I’m saying is we need to expose them to the corporate world because you do get trips, you work sometimes 5 or 6 days a week. You really want to expose them to every part.

Councilmember Broadaway stated we are nowhere close to employing 500 people. I think it is important that we get this program down and we understand what we are doing in terms of the application process, the coaching process and next year we will be ready.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated we are not recreating the wheel. There are other programs, Wayne Community already has a program in place correct.

Ms. Simpson-Carter stated their program criteria are much different than what we are proposing to do. I’d also like to share the reason the van was proposed because the new one at Parks and Recreation you have to have a CDL to drive and if we eliminate that one thing, one of the two part-time counselors could drive.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster suggested using bus drivers who have a CDL and are not working during the summer.

Mayor Allen stated Parks and Recreation use their van every day, we would need another van to make this work.

Council discussed pay, council’s consensus was to pay $7.25 minimum wage. Council also discussed how to employ additional positions. Council agreed based on interest and applications received, additional discussion on how to employee additional kids could be discussed at a further meeting.

Councilmember Williams stated we need to capitalize on monies available and look for grant funds.

Swimming Pool Discussion. Ms. Felicia Brown shared information regarding changes with the operation of the swimming pools. We had an agreement since 2002 with the YMCA, they hired lifeguards and managed the pools. In November, we met with the YMCA and during this meeting they expressed to us they would no longer be able to manage the pools for us due to staffing shortages. We paid the YMCA $15,000 to manage pools and they kept fees collected at the gate. Staff reviewed options which included pool management contracts that could cost up to $80,000 to operate both pools.

Council requested additional time to consider. Council also discussed lifeguard requirements. Mayor Pro Tem Foster asked if the kids interested in the summer youth
employment initiative could go through the class. Mayor Allen asked staff to find out who teaches and how much a certification class would cost.

**Spillman Technologies, Inc. Agency Agreement.** Chief Whaley stated as you are aware Spillman Technology is working on a project with the Police Department. In 2015 the Fire Department started using a system called Mobile CAD. When Spillman comes in our Mobile CAD will go away. To get back on a mobile cad system there will be some additional charges that will be added to the Spillman Project that the Fire Department will have to cover. We were able to get on the building of that system for $13,814 and the billing has been deferred until July 2018. There will be a $2,620 maintenance fee after the first two years.

Chief Whaley stated he is asking for Council’s approval to sign a contract to become part of the Spillman Project.

Councilmember Broadaway stated that is part of the new 911 system, Chief Whaley stated yes sir.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated we do not really have an option at this time right. Chief Whaley stated no sir not if we want to be on a mobile cad system and be able to see Fire/EMS calls throughout the city.

Council agreed staff could proceed.

**Downtown Welcome Banners for Dillard Alumni and Billboards.** Ms. Julie Metz shared the following information:

**Dillard Alumni Weekend**

**Billboards**

**Option 1**

Hwy 70 W (facing eastbound traffic coming from Raleigh) located in Wayne County:

$1585 for 4 weeks.

**Option 2**

Wayne Memorial Drive’s digital billboard by Harris Teeter:

a. Half Run (880 ads per day) - $217.65/week with a 2 week minimum for a total of $435.50

b. Full Run (1660 ads per day) - $405.88/week with a 2 week minimum for a total of $811.76

**Option 3**

I-795 S (left-hand read) located in Wayne County just north of Pikeville: $1400 for 4 weeks.

Council reviewed the options and agreed staff could proceed with Option 1 and Option 2a. Council asked staff to see what Dillard preferred for the local advertisement.

**Downtown Banners**

- 13 Custom Banners @ $80 each = $ 1040
  - Setup Fee @ $60
  - Shipping & Handling $52
  - Total $1,152 (MSD Funds proposed)

Council agreed staff could proceed with the banners.

**Hwy 70 Business Discussion.** Ms. Jennifer Collins stated on February 20th at your work session, the city had requested Council to look at renaming US 70 Hwy to US 70 Business. Ash Street was originally known as US 70 Business, we were dropping that designation and it would be just Ash Street. After you approved me to send the Resolution to DOT, I discussed with DOT exactly where this US 70 Business designation should pick up; upon their recommendation, they would require this whole corridor where it picks up at the bypass all the way to where it picks up in LaGrange. Originally I said we had no impact to addresses for the designation, but with the requirement of it being the entire corridor it would affect 400-500 address with 176 in the City. We would
have to work with the County and they would have to be on board. Council discussed and asked staff to rescind the Resolution.

**Resilient Redevelopment Plan.** Mr. Octavius Murphy shared the following information regarding the NC Hurricane Matthew Resilient Redevelopment Plan from North Carolina Emergency Management:

**Introduction**

NCEM is facilitating Resilient Redevelopment Plans for rebuilding 50 impacted counties and municipalities.

- Federal and State funds allocated for reconstruction and planning projects in the most affected communities
- Additional funds will support strategies and actions identified in the Resilient Redevelopment Plans

**Impacted Counties**

A consultant team has been assigned to each of the fifty counties to develop a Resilient Redevelopment Plan.

![Map of Impacted Counties](image)

**What is a Resilient Redevelopment Plan?**

The resilient redevelopment planning process encompasses the entire community, and has the objectives of:

- Identifying unmet needs following Hurricane Matthew
- Identifying projects that contribute to the resiliency of Wayne County and other impacted counties
- Providing a roadmap for community rebuilding

**Meeting 1 Objectives**

- Review planning process
- Ensure all major storm damage and ongoing impacts are captured
- Discuss ongoing issues
- Brainstorm potential projects that can support the 4 pillars of the plan

Mr. Murphy stated last week I attended a community that was held by North Carolina Emergency Management and we will meet again on the 30th to come together to look at all the projects that would be submitted. They are asking all participants to submit a number of projects.

**Components of the Plan**

Four Pillars of the Resilient Redevelopment Plan

- Housing
- Economic Development
- Infrastructure
- Environment

Mr. Murphy stated we have assembled a team and are working on projects to submit.

Mr. Stevens stated Mayor Allen asked when you all would see a list of projects. Due to the timeline we are rolling things out and if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Octavius. We are including things you have already talked about like the TIGER grant match, Herman Park Center, etc. The state’s goal is one how to recover from the
hurricane and two how to make Wayne County stronger. They are also looking to take community input from these 50 counties to seek additional funds.

**Former WA Foster Center Discussion.** Mr. Octavius Murphy provided the following information:

- The City Manager’s Office has received Three Request For Proposals (RFP’s)
  - Little Washington Growing Group, Cheryl Alston – Purpose: STEM Enrichment Center and Youth Development
  - Wayne County Islamic Society, Abu Jamal Teague – Purpose: Youth Development
  - Ashford’s Boxing Club, Steve Ashford – Purpose: Youth Development
- The Council has asked a committee to evaluate the proposals?
- Committee Members: Mayor Chuck Allen, Councilmember Mark Stevens, Councilmember Gene Aycock, Shycole Simpson-Carter, Randy Guthrie, Scott Barnard and Octavius Murphy

- Committee’s recommendations… 3 Options!
  - #1 - Demo the Building, None of the RFP’s demonstrated an ability to be financially sustainable.
  - #2 - Convey the property to: Steve Ashford’s Boxing Club. Based on the overall evaluations and the consensus of the committee.
  - #3 - Convey the Property to a New non-profit consisting of 4-6 board members (City, Wages, Ashford Boxing Club, Little Washington Growing Group) to manage use of the building and collect rent.

- Committee’s recommendations…
  - If option 2 or 3 is selected:
    - Reduce the repair cost from $134,000 to $50,000 for asbestos abatement at this time.
    - Demo 20% to 30% where repairs are needed.
    - Evaluate the use after 12-24 month time table.

- Original W.A. Foster Recreational Center Background
  - In April 2016, a Special meeting (Citizens, Mayor and Council) was held to discuss options to Donate or Demolish the facility. 27 citizens signed in…
  - In December 2016, another Special meeting (Citizens, Mayor and Council) was held as follow-up to the April 2016 meeting. 13 citizens signed in…
  - It was recommended that proposals for the use of the Original W.A. Foster Recreational Center be submitted by Monday, February 27, 2017.

- Building Specifications:
  - Square Feet – 13,204
  - Acreage – 1.4
  - Tax Value – 500,500
  - Average Monthly Utilities -- $1,400
  - Annual cost for Insurance -- $2,000
  - Property is located in District 3

- Building Improvement Needs
  - HVAC system repairs $54,000 and Asbestos Abatement --- $40,000
  - New and/or repair of roof -- $40,000
  - Demolition -- $60,000

Mayor Pro Tem Foster and Councilmember Williams asked when the committee was created. Mr. Murphy stated it was created the Monday after the Council Meeting.

Councilmember Aycock stated he did not even know it had been created, he happened to come up here.
Mr. Murphy stated the Mayor asked if any councilmembers would be interested in serving on a committee. Councilmember Stevens expressed interest. Mayor Allen stated the decision was to let staff evaluate. Councilmember Stevens asked to be on it. Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated he thought other councilmembers should have been called. Mr. Murphy stated that is a missed opportunity and I will take the blame.

Council discussed. Mayor Pro Tem Foster asked if the building had been tested for lead paint. Mr. Stevens stated we will double check. Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated we have a Parks and Recreation, we have a new WA Foster Center, I think the city should at first get the building off the ground for the non-profits and maybe in the future they can maintain. We have a senior center so why not have a youth center.

Mayor Allen stated I think we are all in agreement that we need to keep the building. If we are going to keep the building we are trying to get it out of the city’s hands at some point, if we can find a venue to put it with a nonprofit. I think we all should agree that whoever goes in should have some skin in it, they pay a little rent, cut the grass. I think we agree with Ms. Alston and Mr. Steve Ashford using the building and there may be other groups. The building needs its own board and someone to manage it, we can talk through that. Once the building is ready to occupy, maybe for 6 months, we pay the utility bills and then we can go back and evaluate. I say all we fix today is remove asbestos, make sure there are no holes in the roof, check for and abate lead paint if any and make sure HVAC is working.

Councilmember Stevens made a motion to approve option 3 Convey the Property to a New non-profit consisting of 4-6 board members (City, Wages, Ashford Boxing Club, Little Washington Growing Group) to manage use of the building and collect rent and include what the Mayor added. Mayor Allen stated so we are giving staff the go ahead to check for lead paint, abate if any, abate asbestos, then the building becomes safe to come in. Councilmember Ham seconded the motion and it unanimously carried.

**Cover Agenda.** Each item on the cover agenda was generally discussed. Additional discussion included the following:

**Item F. Resolutions Authorizing Refunding of the 2008 Street Bonds and the 2010A Sewer Bonds.** Mr. Ted Cole with Davenport presented the following information:

The following General Obligation bonds have been identified as potential refunding opportunities for the City to achieve debt service savings.

- General Obligation Street Improvement Bonds, Series 2008  
  - Outstanding Principal $2,100,000  
  - Portion Eligible for Refunding $1,750,000  
  - Coupon 4.00%-4.50%  
  - Original Issuance Date May 1, 2008  
  - Call Date May 1, 2018  
  - Purpose Streets

- General Obligation Sanitary Sewer Bonds, Series 2010A  
  - Outstanding Principal $7,665,000  
  - Portion Eligible for Refunding $5,930,000  
  - Coupon 3.500%-4.125%  
  - Original Issuance Date April 27, 2010  
  - Call Date June 1, 2020  
  - Purpose Sanitary Sewer

Mr. Cole reviewed the following:
- Current Market Rates – May 2017 Public Sale  
  - Savings net of Fixed Cost of Issuance of $116,667 and Underwriter’s Discount of $57,750.  
  - Assumes the refunding bonds are issued in conjunction with the City’s new money bonds.
Interest rates as of 3/14/2017 are preliminary and subject to change.
Assumes the City makes an equity contribution of $116,934.38 at closing.

- Sensitivity Analyses
- Items for Discussion
  - Combining the Refunding(s) with the City’s anticipated New Money General Obligation Bond issuances.
  - Recommended minimum savings target of 3.00% of Net Present Value Savings.
  - Executing the Refunding(s), assuming market conditions support the savings target of 3.00% of Net Present Value Savings.
  - If either Refunding is not executed, Davenport will continue to monitor the market and estimated savings to keep the City up to date on the viability of the Refunding(s).

**Financing Schedule**

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**Item H. Condemnation of Dilapidated Dwellings.** Councilmember Ham asked for an update on the Mangum House. Mr. Anderson stated the Mangum House has been condemned, we do have bond money from PNC, I believe they are waiting to sell the home on Walnut Street and invest that money into the Mangum House.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster expressed concerns regarding a couple of houses on Beal Street. Mr. Anderson stated they have been written up as soon as they come due we will bring them to Council.

Councilmember Stevens shared concerns regarding homes on Creech and Evergreen. Mr. Anderson stated we probably boarded them to secure them and are more than likely written up as well.

**Item I. Abatement and Demolition Quote for Commercial Property:**

**Brookside Mart located at 2000 S. Slocumb Street.** Staff had recommended Council accept the bid for abatement and demolition of the commercial property using city funds to demo the property. Council discussed Brookside Mart. Upon motion of Councilmember Broadaway, seconded by Councilmember Aycock and unanimously carried, Council amended the motion to accept the bid of $16,000 from AK Grading and Demolition, Inc. for abatement and demolition of the commercial property contingent on the owner paying for the demolition.

Upon motion of Councilmember Aycock, seconded by Councilmember Ham and unanimously carried Council moved Item K. Rescheduling of Council Meetings and Item L. Departmental Reports to Items Requiring Individual Action.

As time did not allow Work Session Items i, j, k, and l. will be discussed at a later time.

There being no further business, the work session adjourned.

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**
The Mayor and Council of the City of Goldsboro, North Carolina, met in regular session in Council Chambers, City Hall, 214 North Center Street, at 7:00 p.m. on March 20, 2017 with attendance as follows:

Present: Mayor Chuck Allen, Presiding  
Mayor Pro Tem Bevan Foster  
Councilmember Antonio Williams  
Councilmember Bill Broadaway  
Councilmember Mark Stevens  
Councilmember David Ham  
Councilmember Gene Aycock  

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Allen at 7:00 p.m.

Bishop Anthony Slater with Tehillah Church Ministries provided the invocation. The Pledge to the Flag followed.

Approval of Minutes. Upon motion of Councilmember Ham, seconded by Councilmember Broadaway and unanimously carried, Council approved the Minutes of the Work Session and Regular Meeting of February 6, 2017 as submitted.

CU-5-17 Joel Bunn – East side of N. William Street between Stronach Avenue and Raynor Street. Public Hearing Held. Application Withdrawn. The applicant requests a Conditional Use Permit to allow the outside storage of vehicles in conjunction with a towing service.

When preparing the report on this case, it was determined that the property is located within a Flood Hazard Area and that the storage of vehicles would not be permitted.

Although the matter has been advertised and posted, staff has informed the applicant that he may not proceed with his plans. His application fee will be refunded and the staff requests that the Council allow withdrawal of the request.

Mayor Allen opened the public hearing. No one spoke and the public hearing was closed.

Upon motion of Councilmember Williams, seconded by Councilmember Aycock and unanimously carried Council voted to allow withdrawal of this application.

Z-6-17 First Citizens Bank, Trustee – North side of East Ash Street between Durant Street and Stoney Creek. Public Hearing Held. The applicant requests a zoning change from Neighborhood Business to General Business Conditional District. In conjunction with this request, the applicant is requesting a waiver of the site plan requirement.

Since the structures on the site are existing, if the rezoning is approved, development plan approval by the city Council would only be required if the proposed tenant use requires a Conditional Use Permit. Staff would review uses permitted by right through in-house procedures to insure that available parking is sufficient to accommodate all proposed uses.

Frontage: 300 ft. (Ash Street)  
205 ft. (Durant Street)  
Depth: 205 ft.  
Area: 61,500 sq. ft. or 1.41 acres  

Surrounding Zoning: North: R-9 Residential  
South: R-16 Residential  
East: Neighborhood Business  
West: General Business
Currently the property is occupied by an existing restaurant (Lantern Inn) and an existing multi-tenant commercial strip center.

The property experienced flooding from Hurricane Matthew this past October and several tenant spaces are currently being renovated due to storm damage.

Two 24 ft. wide asphalt driveways provide access to the site from Ash Street and one 24 ft. wide asphalt driveway provides access from Durant Street.

The City’s Land Use Plan recommends commercial development for the property. The proposed rezoning would be compatible with the Comprehensive Plan.

City water and sewer are available to the property. Subject property is located within a special flood hazard area (100-year flood zone).

The applicant believes that changing zoning to General Business would increase the allowable uses, thereby, enhancing their ability to rent the individual tenant spaces.

As noted previously, complete development plans would have to be approved for any new business which requires a Conditional Use Permit. Otherwise, tenant spaces may be occupied by uses which are permitted by right without full development plan review.

Mayor Allen opened the public hearing, no one spoke and the public hearing was closed.

No action necessary. The Planning Commission will have a recommendation for the Council’s meeting on April 3, 2017.

Planning Commission Excused.

Public Comment Period. Mayor Allen opened the public comment period and the following person spoke:

1. Members of The Village read the Village Pledge:

   The Village Pledge:
   As a member of The Village I pledge to be an indestructible force of change in my community. I promise to respect, nurture and help others in my community, and most of all myself. I will raise the standard of integrity and courage within my community at all times.

   Hi, my name is Korita Rouse and these children are a part of The Village. They are homeschooled and had an assignment to write letters to the City Council. Each child was to present a solution to a problem that we had and as a part tour curriculum we feel it is vital for our children to learn how the local government operates and how they should be a part of it.

   Several students read their letters to City Council.

   Ms. Shaquila Rouse reviewed the following information:

   What is the City Council?
   - A group of elected officials responsible for the government of a city
   - The group of people who make and change the laws of a city

   What is the standard for the City Council?

   Now an overseer (superintendent) must be blameless, beyond reproach, the husband of one wife, self-controlled, sensible, respectful, hospitable, able to teach, not addicted to wine, not a bully nor quick tempered and hot-headed, but gentle and considerate, free from the love of money, not greedy for wealth and its inherent power (financially ethical). He must manage his own household well,
keeping his children under control with all dignity, respectful and well-behaved (for if a man does not know how to manage his own household, how will he take care of the people of God?) and he must not behave stupidly nor become conceited (by appointment to his high office) and he must have a good reputation and be well thought of by others. 1st Timothy 3:2

Ms. Shaquila Rouse stated just to elaborate on why we used this verse particularly, our culture standards, as we all can probably agree, are really low. Every state, county and city official takes an oath under God, however, nowadays the standard of our culture has fallen to such a low place, we no longer understand which God they are actually serving. So what we are asking is go back to the living word, stop abiding ourselves on policies, procedures, programs and the world’s ways of doing things and start going back to the standards of the living word.

What is the purpose of the City Council?
- To righteously represent the community in a way that facilitates progressive change.
- Represent the needs of the City of Goldsboro to other levels of government.

Ms. Shaquila Rouse stated something I would say personally is to be someone as a citizen I could go to an office and speak to somebody to address those changes and they understand, take heed and possibly make a change.

Ms. Azurah Faison reviewed the following:

What are the functions of the City Council?
- Review and approve the annual budgets
- Establish long- and short-term objectives and priorities
- Oversee effectiveness of programs
- Regulate land use though zoning laws
- Regulate business activity through licensing and regulations
- Regulate public health and safety
- Respond to needs and complaints

How the City Council can utilize jurisdiction
- Using its influential power to encourage more family friendly businesses to become more productive stakeholders in the community
- Communicating community needs to appropriate committees
- Encourage racial equality by upholding standards of integrity.
- Allow the Chief of Police to fulfill community service hours as a part of sensitivity training

Ms. Faison stated that last one I would like to elaborate on a little bit. People are still very concerned about the discipline of the police chief for his actions. We think we don’t want him to be suspended or anything like that but we do think it would be a nice idea for him to have to perform customer service and walk with us at The Village, go pick up trash in some of the local projects and lower communities. That would show he is willing to be off-duty and show he still cares about us.

How the Council can further help the community
- Communicate short term adjustments to facilitate long term educational objectives
- Allow the WA Foster Center to be used for community enrichment
- Establishing an open door policy to alleviate problems and concerns
- Building relationships with individuals and organizations to jumpstart unity

Ms. Fasion stated the WA Foster Center was a pillar in the community to a lot of people and there are people who want to use it. We feel like there should be an open door for people to discuss that.
Ways the Council can build influential relationships

- Reward students of the week with lunch time outside of the school cafeteria with councilmembers
- All councilmembers can volunteer at schools
- Volunteer time helping students work during the summer jobs program

Ms. Shaquila Rouse stated student of the week was an idea we thought of that would be a good incentive as a rewards program for students at all schools, particularly at Goldsboro High School to where administrators or teachers can reward a student of the week and people from the community, councilmen, senator, military, whoever can take the students to lunch, just to talk to them and build that intimate relationship. Thank you.

2. Gary Mendenhall stated I just wanted to come up and take the time to get a big clear picture on what us as a community, as a county are trying to do. I don’t know if you were paying attention to me the whole time when I was standing up here or not with the kids standing up here and us being here today, it is very big and serious, even myself as a father, could not keep myself together standing up here, crying. For us to be here, to stand under God, do a pledge of allegiance, and to pray before we stand every day and come in with our debates or situations or conflicts; I really think as a community for us to get to a place we have never been we have to do things we have never done. That is going to start with holding ourselves accountable, having self-accountability for all things. I am pretty sure me and my other daughter’s father are not the only two hard working men in this room today. I am pretty sure all of you would like to spend more time with your families, be around them as much as you would like to. I know it kind of feels like we are asking you to do a lot, but at the end of the day, this is family morals, family values, things that we grew up on. When you people were young, when y’all saw people in the street not doing right, you corrected the. You see what I’m saying, what happened, it’s like now instead of correction we stand back gossiping, talk instead of trying to understand, hey maybe that young man or young woman might not have any good parents, might not have parents at all, might not have anything to eat, anything to address or any way to get to school. So I think like, we are not really here making any demands, we are just saying what really needs to be done. It is well overdue. But as a happy person from Goldsboro North Carolina, I love to be here, like I know you have all been outside these county lines, people ask where you are from, you say Goldsboro. I know you all have got some pretty tough remarks. The only way to stop the stereotypes is to start with ourselves. This is the divided states of America not the United. Now how awesome would it be for us as North Carolina to come together just in a small town right here first in history to bring together our own community and make that thing shine across the United States. If praying to God is a ripple effect, standing in the military going left right to left to right is a ripple effect, love is a ripple effect, time is a ripple effect, everything every moment in every situation we waste our time and not doing not understanding what our true jobs are, taking oaths, what about the pledge to God. Part of the reason I did not ask them to pledge allegiance is how can I ask them to pledge allegiance to a country where we do not pledge allegiance to God every day. I cannot do that, I love this country yes I would love to totally be here, I’m not blaming you all for what the country has done, but it is time for us to start a ripple effect. Time for us to start change. Thank you.

3. Chrétien Dumond, 602 Gloucester Road, Goldsboro, stated I wanted to voice some concerns I serve on the Commission of Community Affairs and I am from District 5. On Thursday, February 21, there was an urgent meeting called by the Commission to discuss Chief West’s social media. At that meeting the Commission decided that while no one really knows about the Commission and the community doesn’t know who’s on the Commission or what it’s for and it is to foster positive trust between the city and the citizens. That meeting was on the 21st after that we decided to go heavy on social
media to let people know about the Commission and who’s on the commission. On Sunday, March 12, the News Argus did a front-page story about the Commission and some hot topic issues going on with the City, like Goldsboro High School and the NAACP asking for the city manager’s resignation and it did one big thing and advertised the meeting coming up on Tuesday, March 14th. The Monday before that meeting, the Commission was emailed Monday night and there was a cancellation of the meeting due to an illness, which I understand comes up, the press and public were notified the day of on March 14 in the morning. With events going on like at Goldsboro High School and with the NAACP asking for the resignation of the city manager, this Commission is super important and that’s why I’m asking you to look into the structure of the Commission’s and the Boards of the city and when stuff is canceled at the last minute like that with no rescheduled date especially in meeting that had been publicized to that extent, I really feel like it works against the Commission we don’t offer any solutions like that I just wanted to voice a concern thank you for your service and your time.

4. Carl Martin, 801 S. Baines Place, Goldsboro, stated good evening gentlemen. I looked at and read reports from Goldsboro parks and recreation department for December and in this report is a report on the golf course. In this report it shows in the year 2015, the golf course lost an average $10,263 each month for 12 months that is a total of $123,000. In 2016, the golf course lost an average of $15,847 a month. Total for the year approximately $190,000. In two years close to $300,000 loss in the golf course. I listened with interest this evening, the proposal for the summer program for students here $10,000 of which $1000 gets paid out in salaries to you. We can afford to lose in excess of one hundred thousand a year for golf and who plays golf; a majority of the people are not residents of the city. So the city is actually subsidizing in part the golf that is played by non-city residents. I hope someone has noticed this and seen it, because this loss cannot and should not continue to go on. Thank you.

5. Mark Colebrook stated I am the Vice-President of the NAACP and I am here again on behalf of the NAACP. Before I began the first thing I would like to ask that, I’ve been coming to the meetings and been doing a lot of thinking. The first question, when people come up, they give their public comments and they have three minutes to do so, what is the process for getting feedback. Is it just we come up here and we talk or is there a later time you get feedback or anything, or is it just for you to listen and not get feedback. I’d just like to know what the process is. You can use some of my three minutes to explain.

Mayor Allen stated you go ahead and use your three minutes and then I will explain.

Mr. Colebrook stated we want to make sure and it has been echoed by numerous people, definitely by the NAACP that we are still standing on the things and statements that we asked for the last time. We know there has been a rebuttal in the newspaper and said the City Council was definitely against the things we had asked for. I would like to ask if you would put it to a vote so the public can see who’s for or against what we asked for. Would that be feasible? Again we are trying to unite the community and we are trying to hold everyone accountable, including ourselves but as you see the kids have come up and talked about it. So the issue is still not going away. The issue is still out there, you can’t put a number on it. No one has taken a poll but the fact of the matter is it still an issue in this City that still needs to be addressed and won’t go away until you, specifically City Council, addresses it in a manner we have asked for. I am done speaking so if you would like to explain the process.

Mayor Allen stated the three minutes is for the public to talk to us, we generally do not offer feedback. Sometimes we will offer feedback, but most of the time we do not. If it is a question we cannot answer, we give it to the
manager or staff to answer within the next couple of days to the individual asking the question.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated while you are here, I will make the motion for the removal of the City Manager so we can have an official vote. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion. Mayor Allen called for a vote. Mayor Pro Tem Foster and Councilmember Williams voted in favor of the motion to remove the City Manager. Mayor Allen and Councilmembers Broadaway, Stevens, Ham, and Aycock voted against the motion. Mayor Allen declared the motion failed 2:5.

6. Francine Smith stated I am the Second Vice-President of the NAACP. Again, here to reenter rate our concerns about not only the issue with the police chief but also the lack of response from our city manager. I realize you have already taken your vote and that is fine for what you are choosing today. You had some young people who stood in front of you today that offered a solution and I think they at least deserve to have their voice heard. As we said the last time we were here, we are not going away, we are not letting this drop. I want to announce we will be holding community hearings that will be held throughout our community with people who had issues not only with the police department but the way the city is managed in general. From the results of those hearings we will be moving forward. I wanted to be sure you knew that this was about to happen. We are not going away. This issue is not going away. We are committed to whatever the process is for us to get a response and not a response it wasn’t a big deal because to us it was a big deal. Even to our young people it is and will be a big deal so we will not go away this will not go away we will continue to come here as often as necessary.

7. Shameshia Fennell stated I would just like to come express my concerns about the street conditions in my neighborhood. I’m sure the city does get allocations for Powell bill money, which I understand does cover street paving. Particularly on Pearson, Workman, Fussell, and James Street which is where I live, are in terrible condition. I would like for someone to look into that. We have had to pay for tire balancing and stuff from where the roads are so crappy. I would appreciate if someone would look into that and maybe allocate money to repair. I’m sure there are other areas that could be refurbished.

Mayor Allen stated just so you know we are taking bids in May for resurfacing this year. I was over there today if you write around North James you will see some orange paint on the street, that’s where they are going to start doing some milling and paving. So it’s coming, maybe 2 to 3 months out.

Ms. Fennell stated thank you, I appreciate that.

No one else spoke and the public comment period was closed.

**Consent Agenda - Approved as Recommended.** City Manager, Scott A. Stevens, presented the Consent Agenda. All items were considered to be routine and could be enacted simultaneously with one motion and a roll call vote. If a Councilmember so requested, any item(s) could be removed from the Consent Agenda and discussed and considered separately. In that event, the remaining item(s) on the Consent Agenda would be acted on with one motion and roll call vote. Mr. Stevens reminded Council that Item K. Rescheduling Council Meeting Dates and Item L. Departmental Reports were moved to Items Requiring Individual Action during the Work Session. Councilmember Aycock moved the items on the Consent Agenda, Items D, E, F, G, H, I, and J be approved as recommended by the City Manager and staff. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Broadaway and a roll call vote resulted in all members voting in the affirmative. Mayor Allen declared the Consent Agenda approved as recommended. The items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:
Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Electronic Sweepstakes Facilities. Public Hearing Scheduled. At their works session held on March 6, 2017, the Council requested that the staff prepare an amendment to the City’s Unified Ordinance as it relates to electronic sweepstakes facilities (internet cafes).

The Council asked that the separation distance from specific uses be increased and additional uses included in the separation distance.

Previously, based on the number of modifications which had been requested in conjunction with these uses, the Council had agreed to reduce the parking requirement for electronic sweepstakes facilities from two (2) spaces per machine to 1.5 spaces per machine. This change has now been formally included within the amendment.

The amendment would limit the zoning districts which would permit electronic gaming establishments as Conditional Uses to only the General Business zone.

In addition, the separation distance would be increased from 200 ft. to 500 ft. and would include not only residentially zoned or developed property, a church or school but would add “day care, playground or public park.”

The separation distance between such uses would be increased from 200 ft. to one mile (5,280 ft.).

All changes proposed to the City’s Zoning Code require a public hearing. The amendment would schedule April 17, 2017 as the date for the public hearing and will allow for the proper advertising as required by State law.

Staff recommended Council schedule a public hearing on the amendments relative to electronic sweepstakes facilities for April 17, 2017. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

Contiguous Annexation Request – Mills Goldsboro Properties, LLC – East side of Gateway Drive (4.0 Acres). Public Hearing Set. The City Council, at their meeting on March 6, 2017, requested that the City Clerk examine the subject annexation petition for sufficiency. The City Clerk has completed the examination and has determined that the petition is sufficient. Sufficiency indicates that property is described accurately within 1:10,000 feet and that all property owners have signed the petition.

Pursuant to G. S. 160A-33, the Council shall fix a date for public hearing on the annexation if the petition is considered sufficient by the City Clerk.

The Notice of Public Hearing would schedule April 17, 2017 as the date for the public hearing. A report prepared by the Department of Planning and Community Development, in conjunction with other City departments, will be submitted to the Council on that date.

Staff recommended Council schedule a public hearing for the proposed annexation of the Mills Goldsboro Properties, LLC for April 17, 2017. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

Resolutions Authorizing Refunding of the 2008 Street Bonds and 2010A Sewer Bonds. Resolutions Adopted. The City of Goldsboro issued Street Improvement General Obligation Bonds in May 2008 and Sewer Improvement Bonds in April 2010. Interest rates have decreased since the bonds were issued and it may be in the City’s best interest to refund a portion of the outstanding bonds in order to take advantage of these reduced costs.

The City desires to issue $2,150,000 of the outstanding Street Bonds and $7,550,000 of the Sewer Bonds. Since the City will be issuing new bonds, the staff in conjunction with Davenport & Company, LLC of Richmond, Virginia has engaged in an analysis of the current market. Due to a reduction in interest rates, it may be in the best interest of the City to combine the outstanding 2008 and 2010A Bonds with the new issue.
Davenport and Company, LLC has compiled potential refunding savings, which could be between $312,000 - $450,000. A representative from Davenport will be presenting options for Council to consider at the work session on Monday.

Staff recommended Council adopt the following Resolutions.

1. Bond Order authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Refunding Bonds of the City of Goldsboro in the maximum aggregate principal amount of $9,700,00 for the purpose of refunding all or a portion of the City’s General Obligation Street Improvement Bonds, Series 2008 and General Obligation Sanitary Sewer Bonds, Series 2010A.

2. Resolution making preliminary findings relating to these General Obligation Refunding Bonds. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)


RESOLUTION NO. 2017-22 “RESOLUTION MAKING PRELIMINARY FINDINGS RELATING TO GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS”

Budget Amendment for Recreation Management Software Equipment. Ordinance Adopted. The City Council has had concerns regarding the tracking of information associated with the golf course. At the Council Retreat, Councilmember Ham presented information he had collected on the golf course, which included a recommendation for the golf course to change to point-of-sale transactions.

Staff has been reviewing options on tracking revenues and transactions at the golf course and selected REC1. Rec1 is a recreation management software that offers cloud based Point of Sale, Reservation, Registration, Membership and Inventory Control. All or some functions can be offered online for remote users or restricted to local/onsite machines. This package will allow for additional data collection and thus more robust reporting.

This software will provide the following:

1. Online registration
2. Reporting options that will identify trends and demographic information
3. Opportunities for direct marketing to previous customers
4. Up to minute reporting
5. Membership tracking/check-in/check-out
6. Location of pertinent emergency information for participants
7. Digital ‘cash register’ at each facility that include credit card processing

The City would pay the monthly fee of $18.95 and credit card processing fee of $18.96 to REC1. There is a 1% service charge fee paid by the customer per transaction.

In order to implement this new software, it would be necessary to purchase point of sale computers, printers, card printers and card supplies. The estimated cost for four stations is $12,200. Since the current budget does not include funding for this equipment, it is necessary to appropriate $12,200.

Staff recommended Council adopt the following entitled Ordinance appropriating $12,200 from the unassigned fund balance of the General Fund for the equipment purchases associated with the implementation of the REC1 Management Software. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)
Condemnation of Dilapidated Dwellings. Ordinance Adopted.

Inspections were performed on twenty-two (22) substandard dwellings which do not comply with the Minimum Housing Code. Therefore, proceedings were initiated to bring these dwellings into code compliance. The locations of these dwellings and the condemnation sequences followed are listed below. Notification was sent from the Inspections Department to the owner(s) giving them ample opportunity to renovate the property. All steps and procedures required by the Ordinance have been taken, including a last opportunity to repair the structures with notification of the upcoming Council meeting for the purpose of requesting condemnation. Legal notices by advertisement were entered in the local newspaper on two occasions relative to these structures.

(1) 306 N. Carolina Street  
Tax parcel #: 12-2599775683  
Owner: Action Investment Group  
P.O. Box 1517  
Irmo, SC 29063

(a) Originally inspected Oct 27, 2015. 
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair. 
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure. 
(d) The structure is secure. 
(e) The title search revealed taxes due for 2011 thru 2015 in the amount of $2,324.53 
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Action Investment Group, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

(2) 809 Crawford Street  
Tax parcel #: 12-2509112817  
Owner: Gloria A. Barnes, Heirs  
809 Crawford St.  
Goldsboro, NC 27530

(a) Originally inspected Nov 7, 2014.  
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.  
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.  
(d) The structure is secure.  
(e) The title search revealed taxes due for 2014 thru 2015 in the amount of $1,120.39.  
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Gloria A. Barnes, Heirs, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

(3) 810 Crawford Street  
Tax Parcel #: 12-3509113775  
Owner: William & Vivian Holden  
603 Brogden St.  
Dudley, NC 28333

(a) Originally inspected Jun 25, 2015.  
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.  
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.  
(d) The structure is secure.  
(e) The title search revealed taxes due for 2015 in the amount of $161.32.  
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to William & Vivian Holden, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.
412 Crawford Street  
Tax Parcel #: 12-3509113775  
Owner: William & Vivian Holden  
603 Brogden St.  
Dudley, NC 28333

(b) Originally inspected Jun 25, 2015.  
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.  
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.  
(d) The structure is secure.  
(e) The title search revealed taxes due for 2015 in the amount of $161.32.  
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to William & Vivian Holden, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

512 Dail Street  
Tax Parcel #: 12-3509322666  
Owner: Meredith Bailey  
512 Dail St.  
Goldsboro, NC 27530

(a) Originally inspected Apr 28, 2015.  
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.  
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.  
(d) The structure is secure.  
(e) The title search revealed taxes due from 2007 thru 2014 in the amount of $2,741.09.  
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Meredith Bailey, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

615 Devereaux Street  
Tax Parcel #: 12-3509024632  
Owner: Almire T. Yelverton  
615 Devereaux St.  
Goldsboro, NC 27530

(a) Originally inspected May 30, 2014.  
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.  
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.  
(d) The structure is secure.  
(e) The title search revealed taxes due from 2010 thru 2015 in the amount of $1,822.99.  
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Almire T. Yelverton, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

411 Grantham Street  
Tax Parcel #: 12-2599894921  
Owner: Bhagyalakshmi Pasupuleti  
45493 Lost Trail Terrace  
Sterling, VA 20164

(a) Originally inspected Nov 20, 2015.  
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.  
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.  
(d) The structure is secure.  
(e) The title search revealed taxes due for years 2013 thru 2015 in the amount of $916.45.  
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Bhagyalakshmi Pasupuleti, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.
(8) 113 N. Kornegay Street  
Tax Parcel #: 12-3509059538  
Owner: Ebony Monroe & Michael Anderson  
172 N. 25th Street  
Wyandanch, NY 11798

(a) Originally inspected Oct 30, 2014.  
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.  
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.  
(d) The structure is secure.  
(e) The title search revealed taxes due in the amount of $1,596.71.  
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Ebony Monroe & Michael Anderson, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

(9) 204 W. Oak Street  
Tax parcel #: 12-2599876473  
Owner: Calvin A. McNeill  
2195 Bailey Rd.  
Coats, NC 27521

(a) Originally inspected Oct 26, 2011.  
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.  
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.  
(d) The structure is secure.  
(e) The title search revealed taxes due in the amount of $228.25.  
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Calvin A. McNeill, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

(10) 1113 Olivia Lane  
Tax parcel #: 12-3509219459  
Owner: Willie H. Hamilton, Heirs  
1113 Olivia Lane  
Goldsboro, NC 27530

(a) Originally inspected Jul 28, 2008.  
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.  
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.  
(d) The structure is secure.  
(e) The title search revealed no taxes due.  
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Willie H. Hamilton, Heirs, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

(11) 810 Poplar Street  
Tax parcel #: 12-3509215562  
Owner: Elizabeth Daye Portier  
606 Poplar Street  
Goldsboro, NC 27530

(a) Originally inspected Jun 12, 2013.  
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.  
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.  
(d) The structure is secure.  
(e) The title search revealed taxes due for the year 2014 thru 2015 in the amount of $539.25.  
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Elizabeth Daye Portier, but the conditions of the letters have not been met.

(12) 508 Roberts Street  
Tax parcel #: 12-3509022010  
Owner: Fannie Williams, ETAL  
508 Roberts St.
Goldsboro, NC 27530

(a) Originally inspected May 23, 2016.
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.
(d) The structure is secure.
(e) The title search revealed taxes due for year 2016 in the amount of $153.42.
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Fannie Williams, ETAL, but the conditions of the letters have not been met.

13) 210 A & B Slocumb Street
Tax parcel #: 12-3509143280
Owner: Walter & Grace Williams
P.O. Box 92
Fawnham, VA 22460

(a) Originally inspected May 30, 2014.
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.
(d) The structure is secure.
(e) The title search revealed taxes due for year 2012 thru 2015 in the amount of $1,034.97.
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Walter & Grace Williams, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

14) 712 E. Walnut Street
Tax parcel #: 12-3509241589
Owner: Hector Landavarde
1049 Wetterhorn Way
Wendell, NC 27591

(a) Originally inspected Jan 22, 2013.
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.
(d) The structure is secure.
(e) The title search revealed no taxes are due.
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Hector Landavarde, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

15) 306 Wayne Avenue
Tax parcel #: 12-2599911022
Owner: James, Tommy, & Danny Person
189 Buffalo Ave.
Brooklyn, NY 11213

(a) Originally inspected Mar 12, 2015.
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.
(d) The structure is secure.
(e) The title search revealed taxes are due from 2009 thru 2015 in the amount of $3,590.57.
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to James, Tommy, & Danny Person, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

16) 409 Wayne Avenue
Tax Parcel #: 12-2599916126
Owner: Obeila Silver, Heirs
409 Wayne Ave.
Goldsboro, NC 27530

(a) Originally inspected Nov 6, 2014.
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.
(d) The structure is secure.
(e) The title search revealed taxes are due from 2010 thru 2015 in the amount of $1,921.63.
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Obeila Silver, Heirs, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

(17) 417 Wayne Avenue  
Tax parcel #: 12-2599917136  
Owner: Roosevelt Johnson, Heirs  
417/419 Wayne Ave.  
Goldsboro, NC 27530

(a) Originally inspected Nov 5, 2014.
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.
(d) The structure is secure.
(e) The title search revealed taxes due from 2014 thru 2015 in amount of $1,190.82.
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Roosevelt Johnson, Heirs, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

(18) 419 Wayne Avenue  
Tax parcel #: 12-2599917136  
Owner: Roosevelt Johnson, Heirs  
417/419 Wayne Ave.  
Goldsboro, NC 27530

(a) Originally inspected Nov 5, 2014.
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.
(d) The structure is secure.
(e) The title search revealed taxes due from 2014 thru 2015 in amount of $1,190.82.
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Roosevelt Johnson, Heirs, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

(19) 511 Wayne Avenue  
Tax parcel #: 12-3509011173  
Owner: Lola Jones McEachin  
102 Daniel Dr.  
Goldsboro, NC 27534

(a) Originally inspected Jan 8, 2016.
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.
(d) The structure is secure.
(e) The title search revealed taxes are due in the amount of $247.50.
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Lola Jones McEachin, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

(20) 517 Wayne Avenue  
Tax Parcel #: 12-3509012122  
Owner: Charles Leon Jacobs, Heirs  
218 Herbert St.  
Goldsboro, NC 27530

(a) Originally inspected on Jul 28, 2008.
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.
(d) The structure is secure.
(e) The title search revealed no taxes are due.
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Charles Leon Jacobs, Heirs, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

(21) 317 Whitfield Drive
Tax Parcel #: 12-3509215562
Owner: Bessie Barnes
207 Whitfield Dr.
Goldsboro, NC 27530

(a) Originally inspected on Nov 30, 2015.
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.
(d) The structure is secure.
(e) The title search revealed taxes due from 2015 in the amount of $498.59.
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Bessie Barnes, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

(22) 325 Whitfield Drive
Tax Parcel #: 12-2599455791
Owner: Mt. Zion Church Ministries
323 Whitfield Dr.
Goldsboro, NC 27530

(a) Originally inspected on Feb 6, 2009.
(b) Structure is in dilapidated condition, not feasible for repair.
(c) No permits have been issued for this structure.
(d) The structure is secure.
(e) The title search revealed no taxes due.
(f) Letters of opportunity to repair or demolish were sent to Mt. Zion Church Ministries, but the conditions of the letter have not been met.

The City Attorney has completed title searches on these properties to determine legal ownership. We have attempted to work with the owner(s) involved for their benefit, as well as the City’s. Ample opportunity has been given for rehabilitation of the structures. In order that we may enforce the Code, we will have to complete the process by removing said dwellings. Bids will be awarded by informal bid procedures for all structures.

After the demolitions are satisfactorily completed, the owner(s) will be billed for the deed search and the removal. If it appears that asbestos is present, asbestos inspections will be required at these locations. Samples will be taken and laboratory tested at the owner’s expense. The cost incurred for removal of asbestos will be added to the cost of the demolition. If the property owner(s) fails to pay these costs, we will place a lien against the properties. Funds have been appropriated for these demolitions.

Staff recommended Council adopt the following entitled Ordinance condemning the structures located at 306 Carolina St., 809 Crawford St., 810 Crawford, 812 Crawford St., 512 Dail St., 615 Devereaux St., 411 Grantham St., 113 N. Kornegay St., 204 Oak St., 1113 Olivia Lane, 810 Poplar St., 508 Roberts St., 201 A & B Slocumb St., 712 E. Walnut St., 306 Wayne Ave., 409 Wayne Ave., 417 Wayne Ave., 419 Wayne Ave., 511 Wayne Ave., 517 Wayne Ave., 317 Whitfield Dr., and 325 Whitfield Dr., in the City of Goldsboro, North Carolina. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-16 “AN ORDINANCE DIRECTING THE BUILDING CODES ADMINISTRATOR TO DEMOLISH THE PROPERTY HEREBIN DESCRIBED AS UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION”

A/K Grading & Demolition, Inc.
Scope of Work – Brookside Mart

- Demolition and Disposal of the Brookside Mart building.
- Sweep and clean concrete slab.
- Asbestos Abatement and disposal in its entirety.
- Obtain NCDENR permit and City of Goldsboro permit.

Total Demolition and Asbestos Abatement - $16,000.00

Corbett Clearing & Demolition, LLC
Scope of Work – Brookside Mart

- Demolition and Disposal of the Brookside Mart building.
- Sweep and clean concrete slab.
- Asbestos Abatement and disposal in its entirety.
- Obtain NCDENR permit and City of Goldsboro permit.

Total Demolition and Asbestos Abatement - $18,000.00

The quotes have been reviewed by the City’s Inspection Department, checked for accuracy, and found to be in order. The bid from AK Grading and Demolition, Inc. is being recommended in the amount of $16,000. The current fiscal year’s budget has sufficient funding for abatement and demolition of this location.

It was recommended Council accept the bid of $16,000 from AK Grading and Demolition, Inc. for abatement and demolition of the commercial property contingent on the owner paying for the demolition. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

Third Annual Downtown Goldsboro Kilt Fun Run – Temporary Street Closing Request. Approved. The Flying Shamrock Irish Pub is requesting permission to close a portion of certain City streets on Saturday, April 1, 2017 from 3:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in order to hold their annual kilt fun run.

The street closing request is as follows:

Parade Route: John Street beginning at 115 North John Street, right on E. Walnut Street, right on N. Center Street, right on E. Mulberry Street, right on N. John Street to 115 North John Street.

Staging Area: 115 North John Street

The time requested for the closing is from 3:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Police, Fire, Public Works and DGDC offices have been notified of this request.

Staff recommends approval of this request subject to the following conditions:

1. All intersections remain open for Police Department traffic control.
2. A 14-foot fire lane is maintained in the center of the street to provide access for fire and emergency vehicles.
3. All activities, changes in plans, etc. will be coordinated with the Police Department.
4. The Police, Fire, Public Works and DGDC offices are to be involved in the logistical aspects of this event.

It is recommended the City Council grant street closings on Walnut, John, Mulberry, and Center Streets on April 1, 2017 from 3:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in order that the Second Annual Downtown Goldsboro Kilt Fun Run may take place, subject to the above conditions. Consent Agenda Approval. Aycock/Broadaway (7 Ayes)

End of Consent Agenda.

Rescheduling Council Meeting Dates. Approved. The Goldsboro City Council normally meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays of every month for their Regular Council Meeting. The following meetings need to be rescheduled.

- Monday, April 3, 2017
- Monday, May 1, 2017
- Monday, June 19, 2017

It was suggested Council consider rescheduling to:

- Tuesday, April 4, 2017
- Tuesday, May 2, 2017
- Monday, June 26, 2017

Council discussed alternative dates. Upon motion of Councilmember Ham, seconded by Councilmember Stevens and unanimously carried Council changed Tuesday, May 2, 2017 to Monday, May 8, 2017 and the following were suggested for Council’s consideration:

- Tuesday, April 4, 2017
- Monday, May 8, 2017
- Monday, June 26, 2017


Monthly Reports. Accepted as Information. The various departmental reports for the month of February, 2017 were submitted for the Council’s approval. Upon motion of Councilmember Aycock, seconded by Councilmember Williams and unanimously carried, Council accepted the reports as information.

City Manager’s Report. Mr. Scott Stevens stated Mayor and Council there are two things I’d like to mention tonight. The North Carolina League of Municipalities’ Town Hall Day is scheduled for March 29th, I know several of you plan to attend, we will spend most of the day at or around the legislature in Raleigh. Second on your work session we had the Enhanced Community Plan, you do have a report in your package. I apologize we did not get to that I will have Chief West follow-up at an upcoming meeting. Thank you.

City Attorney’s Report. No report.

Mayor and Councilmembers’ Reports and Recommendations. Mayor Allen read the following Resolution and Proclamation.

Resolution Expressing Appreciation for Services Rendered by Danny Keel as an Employee of the City of Goldsboro for More Than 7 Years. Resolution Adopted. Danny Keel retires on April 1, 2017 as a Building Inspector with the Inspections Department of the City of Goldsboro with more than 7 years of service. Danny worked with the City of Goldsboro as an EMT Intermediate from July 31, 1991 through May 23, 1995. On February 19, 2014, Danny was hired as a Building Inspector with the
Inspections Department where he has served until his retirement. Danny has proven himself to be a dedicated and efficient public servant who gained the admiration and respect of his fellow workers and the citizens of the City of Goldsboro. The Mayor and City Council of the City of Goldsboro are desirous, on behalf of themselves, City employees and the citizens of the City of Goldsboro, of expressing to Danny Keel their deep appreciation and gratitude for the service rendered by him to the City over the years. We express to Danny Keel our deep appreciation and gratitude for the dedicated service rendered during his tenure with the City of Goldsboro. We offer Danny our very best wishes for success, happiness, prosperity and good health in his future endeavors.

Upon motion of Mayor Allen seconded by Councilmember Ham and unanimously carried, Council adopted the following entitled Resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-20 “RESOLUTION EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY DANNY KEEL AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO FOR MORE THAN 7 YEARS”

Proclamation – Child Abuse Prevention Month. Mayor Allen proclaimed April as “Child Abuse Prevention Month” and called upon all citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, elected leaders and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the communities in which we live.

Councilmember Broadaway read the following Proclamation:

Proclamation – Month of the Military Child. Mayor Allen proclaimed April as the “Month of the Military Child” in the City of Goldsboro and encouraged all residents to recognize the contributions of our military families and to celebrate the spirit of military children across our district and nation.

Councilmember Aycock stated I welcome the comments from the children tonight and I think you for bringing them in.

Councilmember Ham complimented the kids on their speaking and writing ability. You guys are to be commended on your advanced learning skills.

Mayor Pro Tem Foster stated I would like to thank The Village and everyone in the community who came up and spoke. Thank you for getting involved in the community, thank you for the things you are doing. It is very much appreciated.

Councilmember Williams stated I would also like to thank The Village as well and I also want to thank The Village for coming out as well. I thank the children for coming out and speaking about what’s important to you. I will go into a little bit of elaboration, one of you was talking about the WA Foster, the original WA Foster. From Mr. Murphy’s standpoint, I do not believe we will be able to call it WA Foster anymore, we will have to come up with a new name and hopefully we can get your input on a new name because I have fought since I came into office to save it and I do believe we’ve come up with a solution to try to keep the original WA Foster open with Mr. Ashford, Ms. Cheryl Alston, the Little Washington Growing group and
another 501(3) (c) to try and keep it open and keep it moving forward for the community and push into the next generation. To the little ones, never stop learning, you are the future. What you did here tonight is brilliant, keep expanding your minds, and learn other languages, Spanish, French, German. Then you can go out to other parts of the world, not just Goldsboro. Goldsboro is just a little small speck in the great big world. Thank you.

Mayor Allen stated I want to think the village also especially the young kids because I know when I was your age I would have never came up and done that. Come back anytime we are always glad to have you. I do think we made two really good moves tonight. We don’t have all the weeds worked out but we are close on how to save the WA Foster. I think we are all excited about that. Like councilmember Williams mentioned the summer youth employment program, that’s a partnership with us, the Housing Authority and when community college. I think you will see good things come out of that. Tonight instead of adjourning we are going to recess because we have all been invited to a community meeting at resurrection of Goldsboro and I’ve heard more than three council members may go in the open meetings law will not allow us to do that, so were going to recess tonight until 6:30 PM tomorrow at resurrection church. We’re going to hear what they say and to my knowledge no business of the city Council will be conducted we will be there just to listen. I want to stress it is not our meeting but if there are four of us present I will call us to order to comply with open meetings law. Thank you.

There being no further business, the meeting will recess until 6:30 p.m. on March 21, 2017 at Resurrection Church, 2419 East Ash Street, Goldsboro.

Chuck Allen
Mayor

Melissa Corser, MMC
City Clerk