TOWN OF MCADENVILLE MINUTES APRIL 13, 2021

The McAdenville Town Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 6:00 PM in a virtual format via a webinar hosted on zoom. The webinar was available live, and the link was distributed to the Sunshine List and made available on the Town's website.

PRESENT:

Mayor Jim Robinette; Council Members: Reid Washam, Carrie Bailey, Greg Richardson, and Joe Rankin. Also, present: Police Chief Adams, and Town Administrator/Clerk Lesley Dellinger. * Mayor Pro-tem Jay McCosh joined the meeting in progress.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Robinette called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

ADJUSTMENT & APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The April Agenda was approved as submitted by motion of Joe Rankin, second by Carrie Bailey with unanimous vote.

CONCENT AGENDA:

The items of the Consent Agenda were unanimously approved by motion of Reid Washam and second by Greg Richardson:

- a) Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting and Closed Session of March 9, 2021.
- **b) MRF Sewer Study Service Agreement:** Council approved the Professional Service Agreement with WithersRavenel for the Sewer Merger Regionalization Study in the amount of \$49,500. The primary objective of this project is to help the Town evaluate regionalization and merger management options to enhance long-term utility viability.
- c) MRF Water Study Service Agreement: Council approved the Professional Service Agreement with WithersRavenel for the Water Merger Regionalization Study in the amount of \$49,500. The primary objective of this project is to help the Town evaluate regionalization and merger management options to enhance long-term utility viability.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Chief Adams stated that the CPD monthly report was included in the agenda packet and offered to answer questions or address any concerns of Council. He added that all new officers had completed their training and the department was back to full staff and introductions will be arranged once in-person meetings resume. Joe Rankin requested a code enforcement investigation on the rental property located at 1355 Ford Drive. He stated that there was an inoperative vehicle in the yard and extensive junk/debris located on the front porch. Lesley Dellinger stated that Town staff had received reports of numerous motorists failing to stop at the intersection of Church Street and Lakeview Drive and requested increased enforcement efforts from the CPD to suppress the issue. Chief Adams stated that both issues would be addressed.

*Mayor Pro-tem Jay McCosh joined the meeting at 6:12PM.

STAFF REPORT:

Lesley Dellinger stated that on Wednesday, April 14th, Duke Energy would begin installing the new street lighting along Wesleyan Drive and Main Street. She added that Treescapes had been

contracted to do a major clean up in Legacy Park including new playground mulch, tree trimming, pine needles, and plant replacements. Reid Washam and his wife Suzanne were thanked for their assistance with the new landscaping at Town Hall. Lastly, Lesley reminded Council about the joint Public Hearing with the Planning Board scheduled for Thursday, April 22nd at 6:00 PM for review and voting consideration of the 160D changes to the McAdenville Unified Development Ordinance (UDO).

COUNCIL GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Mayor Robinette reminded Council of the Budget Workshop scheduled for Monday, April 19th at 5:30. He added that the Town would resume in-person meeting beginning in May if there was no objection from the Board. The Board did not object to resuming in-person meetings, but it was agreed that masks, temperature checks, and social distancing will be enforced for all persons in attendance.

Greg Richardson was happy to announce that the Notice to Proceed will be issued on Monday, April 19th for construction on the canoe/kayak launch. He spoke with Scott Brown of Blue Ridge Trails, and the concrete footings are scheduled to be poured the last week in April and the launch should be open to the public by the end of May. Greg added that the boardwalk has been moved back in place and bolted down. Minor repairs are needed to the under supports of the boardwalk, but he feels his group of volunteers can handle these repairs. Lastly, he stated that Brian Helton has agreed to remove the sand deposited on the trail from the last flood event at no charge to the Town.

Reid Washam stated that McAdenville Elementary School has added outside lighting which illuminates the sidewalk in front of the building and their parking lot. He added that the lighting is a great addition and dramatically increases visibility of the entire area after dark. Additionally, Reid reported that the Gaston Public Health Director, Steve Eaton, had confirmed that no COVID positive cases were contract traced back to the 2020 Christmas Town Event.

Mayor Pro-tem McCosh requested that the Board consider adjustments to the greenway trail to improve bicycle accessibility. He stated that additional concrete is needed at the Lakeview Drive entrance to enable access on/off the street and near the footbridge at the end of Academy Street where the sidewalk is positioned at 90° angles. No Parking signage and/or street markings are also needed to prevent vehicles from parking in front of the trail access points at both locations. Jay also questioned the planned addition of bollards for the Academy Street footbridge. He stated that the entrance to the bridge is downhill and narrow and that having to maneuver around a bollard would be difficult and pose a safety hazard for less experienced bikers.

FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:

The Mayor opened the floor for public comment. No comments were submitted.

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There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 6:38 PM
upon motion of Greg Richardson, second by Joe Rankin and unanimous vote.

Jim Robinette, Mayor	Lesley Dellinger, Town Clerk