

**TOWN OF FOUR OAKS
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2022
AGENDA**

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) Approval of Minutes
 - (a) Town Council Meeting – August 8th, 2022
 - (b) Special Called Meeting – September 6th, 2022
- 4) Public Comments
 - (a) Sam Austin
- 5) Public Hearings
 - (a) Certificate of Sufficiency & Annexation Ordinance – Ironwood Developers, LLC, located off Four Oaks Parkway, Four Oaks, NC, Parcel # 08I11075A.
 - (b) Certificate of Sufficiency & Annexation Ordinance – Ironwood Developers, LLC, located off Keen Rd, Four Oaks, NC, Parcels # 08I11071.
 - (c) Amend Metes & Bounds for Ordinance #021422D, Parcel #08H10017R located at 135 Pecan Valley Way
- 6) New Business
 - (a) Resolutions for Annexation Investigation – 8182 Properties, LLC & Meherrin Fertilizer, Inc., located at 4003 US Hwy 301 S, Four Oaks, NC, Parcel # 08J11199X
 - (b) Resolutions for Annexation Investigation – The Town of Four Oaks Development Corporation, located at 200 Boyette Rd., Four Oaks, NC, Parcel # 08I11028B
 - (c) Grant Project Budget Ordinance – OSBM SCIF Directed Funds - Downtown Streetscape Phase 1
- 7) Mayor's Comments
- 8) Department Reports
 - (a) Police – Hatch
 - (b) Parks & Rec & Outreach – Robertson
 - (c) Water and Sewer – Hines
 - (d) Sanitation & Streets – Surles
 - (e) Finance – Hardy

Adjournment

TOWN OF FOUR OAKS TOWN COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2022 MINUTES

Call to Order

Mayor Vic Medlin called the September 12th, 2022 regular scheduled Town Council meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. Those present included Commissioners Andy Hardy, Mike Hines, and Kim Robertson. Also, present were Police Chief Stephen Anderson; Town Clerk Martha Garriss recording minutes; and Mike Dart from FO Benson New in Review. Not present and excused Commissioners John Hatch and Carles Surles.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Chris Haley gave the opening Invocation with Mrs. Sue Book leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Town Council Meeting – August 8th, 2022

Commissioner Hardy made a motion to approve the Town Council regular meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Commissioner Hines, voting unanimous.

Special Called Meeting – September 6th, 2022

Commissioner Hardy made a motion to approve the Town Council special called meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Commissioner Hines, voting unanimous.

Public Comments

Sam Austin, resident at 203 E Lewis St., presented the following concerns before the board:

- School traffic on Tucker St. in the mornings and afternoons is terrible and something needs to be done. Mr. Austin suggested JCPS change and improve the traffic flow for drop off and pick up in the parking lot and for the board to look into signs to slow down on Tucker St. Chief Anderson explained efforts are being done to improve traffic specifically on Baker St. School traffic is an ongoing issue and there doesn't seem to be an ideal solution.
- Town website – Mr. Austin suggested putting more information on the website such as public meetings, etc.

Joan Pritchett, Chamber Director, reported the Acorn Festival went great and the upcoming planned chamber events are:

- October 22 – Movie Night in the Park
- November 10 – Annual Oyster Roast
- December 2 & 3 – Christmas Festivities

Mayor Medlin announced: September 28 – South Johnston High School Homecoming Parade in Four Oaks at 5:30 pm.

Sue Book, resident, thanked Joan for asking her to help at the Acorn Festival and thanked the Town. She said, "there's no place like home".

David Faircloth, business owner, asked about having food trucks on Main St. in front of business owner stores again instead of on Railroad St. Mr. Faircloth stated he had talked to most restaurant owners and they are fine with it. He asked the Board to start thinking about this for when the downtown streetscape is complete. Mayor Medlin commented he doesn't have a problem with it if the tax paying restaurants are fine but it would need to go before the board on a case-by-case basis because he isn't in favor of changing the current ordinance at this time.

Public Hearings

Mayor Medlin called the meeting into a public hearing.

Annexation Ordinances – Ironwood Developers, LLC, located off Keen Rd & Four Oaks Parkway, Four Oaks, NC, Parcels # 08I11075A & 08I11071

Martha Garris, Town Clerk commented she was directed to investigate parcels # 08I11075A (contiguous) & 08I11071 (non-contiguous) located off Four Oaks Parkway and Keen Rd., Four Oaks, NC., owner & petitioner Ironwood Developers, LLC, for annexation in August. Parcel # 08I11075A is contiguous, meets all the requirements under G.S. 160A-31, and is ready to move forward with the annexation process. Parcel # 08I11071 is non-contiguous, meets all the requirements under G.S. 160A-58.1, and is ready to move forward with the annexation process.

Amend Metes & Bounds for Ordinance #021422D, Parcel #08H10017R located at 135 Pecan Valley Way

Clerk Garris commented there was a mistake on the metes and bounds for Ordinance 021422D in February and presented the amended Metes & Bounds for Ordinance #021422D, Parcel #08H10017R located at 135 Pecan Valley Way.

There were no public comments. Mayor Medlin closed the public hearing.

- Motion to approve the voluntary annexation for parcel #08I11075A located off Four Oaks Parkway, Four Oaks, NC was made by Commissioner Hardy, seconded by Commissioner Hines, voting unanimous.
- Motion to approve the voluntary annexation for parcel #08I11071 located off Keen Rd., Four Oaks, NC was made by Commissioner Hardy, seconded by Commissioner Robertson, voting unanimous.
- Motion to approve the amended metes & bounds for Ordinance #021422D, Parcel #08H10017R located at 135 Pecan Valley Way, Four Oaks, NC was made by Commissioner Hines, seconded by Commissioner Robertson, voting unanimous.

New Business

Resolutions for Annexation Investigation – 8182 Properties, LLC & Meherrin Fertilizer, Inc., located at 4003 US Hwy 301 S, Four Oaks, NC, Parcel # 08J11199X

Clerk Garris relayed an application for a voluntary annexation had been received for Parcel # 08J11199X located at 4003 US Hwy 301 S, Four Oaks, NC, owner 8182 Properties, LLC & Meherrin Fertilizer, Inc. to have town services. Motion to approve the resolution directing the Town Clerk to investigate the petition for a voluntary annexation for Parcel # 08J11199X

received under GS 160A-31 was made by Commissioner Hines, seconded by Commissioner Robertson, voting unanimous.

Resolutions for Annexation Investigation – The Town of Four Oaks Development Corporation, located at 200 Boyette Rd., Four Oaks, NC, Parcel # 08I11028B

Clerk Garris relayed an application for a voluntary annexation had been received for Parcel # 08I11028B located at 200 Boyette Rd., Four Oaks, NC, owner The Town of Four Oaks Development Corporation. Motion to approve the resolution directing the Town Clerk to investigate the petition for a voluntary annexation for Parcel # 08I11028B received under GS 160A-31 was made by Commissioner Hardy, seconded by Commissioner Hines, voting unanimous.

Grant Project Budget Ordinance – OSBM SCIF Directed Funds - Downtown Streetscape Phase 1

Commissioner Hardy presented the grant project budget ordinance for the OSBM State Construction and Infrastructure Fund (“SCIF”) Directed Funds - Downtown Streetscape Phase 1 project. The Town received \$1,500,000 in SCIF grant funds toward the Town of Four Oaks Downtown Streetscape Phase 1 project. The Town’s funds will be directed towards the Downtown Streetscape Phase 1 revitalization with appropriations for services & contract expenses of \$1,154,100 and other expenses of \$345,900. Motion to approve the grant project budget ordinance for the OSBM SCIF Directed Funds - Downtown Streetscape Phase 1 project as presented was made by Commissioner Hardy, seconded by Commissioner Hines, voting unanimous.

Mayor’s Comments

Mayor Medlin made a few remarks: (1) he commended the Chamber on a great Acorn Festival and what a great town we have; (2) there is a lot of events coming up; (3) he commended our schools for a great job on increasing scores last school year; & (4) mentioned the recent announcement of the \$25M investment in the Business Park by BD which will be a big asset to the town’s tax basis.

Department Reports

Police – Chief Stephen Anderson

Chief Anderson read the monthly police report (attached).

Parks & Rec and Outreach – Robertson

Commissioner Robertson reported: (1) we are moving forward on the AFP project grant application for accessibility in parks for children with disabilities and veterans, which is to replace the brick sidewalks and add a handicap ramp to the gazebo in Barbour’s Grove Park; & (2) Mayor Medlin commented football was off to a good start.

Water and Sewer – Hines

Commissioner Hines highlighted the water and sewer report (attached). Water had revenue of \$37,697 and the sewer had revenue of \$35,187. The 12-month daily average per gallon was a 2% loss for water and 10% loss for sewer.

Sanitation & Streets

Mayor Medlin reported: (1) streets & sanitation were good; & (2) town guys have been working hard cleaning up and preparing for the fall.

Finance – Hardy

Commissioner Hardy highlighted the financial report (attached) with total funds of \$3,348,247. Commissioner Hardy made a motion to approve the August payables listed in the attached report, seconded by Commissioner Hines, voting unanimous.


Adjournment

With no further business brought before the Town Council, motion to adjourn at 7:46 p.m. was made by Commissioner Hardy, seconded by Commissioner Robertson, voting unanimous.



Vic Medlin, Mayor

ATTEST:



Martha Garriss, NCCMC
Town Clerk