

# MOUNT PLEASANT

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NORTH CAROLINA

**Town of Mount Pleasant  
Special Called Meeting Minutes  
Monday, December 23, 2024  
6:00 PM- Town Hall Commissioners Room**

**Attendance:** Mayor Tony Lapish  
Mayor Pro-Tem/Commissioner Lori Furr  
Commissioner Chris Carter  
Commissioner Steven Dixon  
Commissioner William Meadows (absent)  
Commissioner Justin Simpson  
Town Manager Randy Holloway  
Town Attorney John Scarbrough (by phone)  
Town Clerk Amy Schueneman

**Also Present:** none

Mayor Lapish opened the meeting at 6:08pm.

Town Manager Randy Holloway reminded the Board that the Town had asked for the unused \$3million originally allocated to the Town of Midland from the ARPA funds and NC DEQ stated that they were not allowed to reallocate funds without going through the proper procedures. Then, the Town Staff reached out to our legislators to see what they could do. The technical correction was added to Senate Bill 382. The Bill was vetoed by the Governor. The veto was overridden by the Senate and at the last minute the House passed it, so the Town received the additional \$3million for the water/sewer projects bringing the total in ARPA Funds allocated by the State to \$15,811,000. It has quickly moved through NC DEQ for approval.

The Lower Adams Creek Sewer Outfall will now be funded in its entirety with all aspects of the project being done. The Water Distribution Improvements Project will remove the bore under West Franklin Street and the waterline on North Skyland Drive that was not necessary since it stops at Wood Street. There will be \$921,000 in the Water Project Contingency so that as the project finishes up, it could be added back in if the funds are still available.

### **Lower Adams Creek Sewer Outfall SRP-W-ARP-0081**

Amy Schueneman asked for the Board to adopt a Capital Project Ordinance for the Lower Adams Creek Sewer Outfall in the amount of \$5,822,971 to be paid by ARPA funds and to allow Town Manager Randy Holloway and Amy Schueneman the authority to sign all related documents for this project.

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2 motions were made:

1. A motion to adopt the Capital Project Ordinance for Lower Adams Creek Sewer Outfall Project # SRP-W-ARP-0081 was made by Commissioner Simpson with a second by Commissioner Furr. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Meadows absent)
2. A motion to authorize Town Manager Terry R. Holloway, Finance Officer Amy Schueneman, and successors so titled, to execute any necessary contracts and/or forms on behalf of the Town of Mount Pleasant for the Lower Adams Creek Sewer Outfall Project # SRP-W-ARP-0081 was made by Commissioner Furr with a second by Commissioner Dixon. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Meadows absent)

**2022 Water Distribution Improvements Project SRP-D-ARP-0082**

Amy Schueneman stated that the Water Distribution Improvements Project needs a Resolution to Award State Utility Contractors, Inc. the contract with the agreed Memorandum of Negotiation adjusting the scope of the project and reducing the low bid by \$801,037. The total award for the project will be \$8,376,713 to State Utility Contractors, Inc. instead of the original \$9,177,750. Total cost of the project is \$9,988,029 with a \$921,775 contingency included.

3 motions were made:

1. A motion to adopt the Resolution of Award for the 2022 Water Distribution Improvements Project # SRP-D-ARP-0082 was made by Commissioner Furr with a second by Commissioner Carter. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Meadows absent)
2. A motion to adopt the Capital Project Ordinance for 2022 Water Distribution Improvements Project # SRP-D-ARP-0082 was made by Commissioner Simpson with a second by Commissioner Carter. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Meadows absent)
3. A motion to authorize Town Manager Terry R. Holloway, Finance Officer Amy Schueneman, and successors so titled, to execute any necessary contracts and/or forms on behalf of the Town of Mount Pleasant for the 2022 Water Distribution Improvements Project # SRP-D-ARP-0082 was made by Commissioner Furr with a second by Commissioner Simpson. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Meadows absent)

A motion to go into Closed Session was made by Commissioner Simpson with a second by Commissioner Dixon. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Meadows absent)

**Closed Session 143-318.11.(a)(#3) Property Easement** *To consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the public body, which privilege is hereby acknowledged. General policy matters may not be discussed in a closed session and nothing herein shall be construed to permit a public body to close a meeting that otherwise would be open merely because an attorney employed or retained by the public body is a participant. The public body may consider and give instructions to an attorney concerning the handling or settlement of a claim, judicial action, mediation, arbitration, or administrative procedure. If the public body has approved or considered a settlement, other than a malpractice settlement by or on behalf of a hospital, in closed session, the terms of that settlement shall be reported to the public body and entered into its minutes as soon as possible within a reasonable time after the settlement is concluded.*

A motion to come out of Closed Session was made by Commissioner Furr with a second by Commissioner Simpson. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Meadows absent)

2 motions made after Closed Session:

1. A motion to offer compensation to Madonna Majeska for a sewer easement across her property to connect the Food Lion sewer line to Empire Drive Pump Station was made by Commissioner Furr with a second by Commissioner Simpson. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Meadows absent)

2. A motion to allow Town Attorney John Scarbrough to declare condemnation on the property located at 977 Circle Dr. on the Town's behalf if Madonna Majeska does not accept the Town's offer for the easement was made by Commissioner Simpson with a second by Commissioner Carter. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Meadows absent)


Mr. Holloway gave a brief update concerning the water system. Three engineering firms (The Wooten Company, LKC Engineering, and Garver Engineering) are evaluating all the data from the Water Treatment Plant and has given them until the middle of January to make a recommendation. There are 3 or 4 different solutions that could be made that would be within the Town's \$1million budget. The hope is that at least 2 of the 3 firms will make the same recommendation and then one of the firms will be selected to oversee the project.

**Adjournment**

With nothing else to come before the Board, Commissioner Furr made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion. All Board Members were in favor. (4-0, Commissioner Meadows absent)

By our signatures, the following minutes were approved as submitted and amended on Tuesday, January 14, 2025 in the Regular Meeting.

  
Town Clerk Amy Schueneman

  
Mayor Tony Lapis

