

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2022
TOWN OF SAWMILLS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
6:00PM**

COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor Keith Warren
Clay Wilson
Rebecca Johnson
Bobby Mosteller

STAFF PRESENT

Chase Winebarger
Julie A Good
Terry Taylor

COUNCIL ABSENT

Joe Wesson
Melissa Curtis

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Keith Warren called the meeting to order at approximately 6:02pm.

INVOCATION: Pastor Danny Wright gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Keith Warren led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPT AGENDA: Mayor Keith Warren asked for a motion to adopt the September 20, 2022 Agenda.

Clay Wilson made a motion, and Rebecca Johnson seconded, to adopt the September 20, 2022 Agenda. All were in favor.

APPROVE AUGUST 16, 2022 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: Mayor Keith Warren asked for a motion to approve the August 16, 2022 regular meeting minutes.

Clay Wilson made a motion, and Rebecca Johnson seconded, to approve the August 16, 2022 regular meeting minutes. All were in favor.

APPROVE AUGUST 16, 2022 CLOSED SESSION MEETING MINUTES: Mayor Keith Warren asked for a motion to approve the August, 2022 closed session meeting minutes.

Clay Wilson made a motion, and Bobby Mosteller seconded, to approve the August 16, 2022 closed session meeting minutes. All were in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mayor Keith Warren asked if anyone had any questions or comments at this time.

No one wished to speak.

RECOGNITIONS:

SEPTEMBER RECYCLE REWARDS WINNER: Mayor Keith Warren announced Tasena Rumpfelt as the September Recycle Rewards Winner. A credit of forty dollars (\$40.00) will be added to the current sanitation bill.

No Council action was required.

PUBLIC HEARING: REZONING FOR PIN 2766819383

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING: Mayor Keith asked for a motion to open the public hearing.

Rebecca Johnson made a motion, and Clay Wilson seconded, to open the public hearing. All were in favor.

STAFF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS: Town Planner Dustin Millsaps stated that the property at pin 2766819383 is zoned General Manufacturing and has been such for more than sixth (60) days. Town Planner Dustin Millsaps stated that the owner would like to have the property rezoned to R-15 and build stick built homes on the lot to rent. Town Planner Dustin Millsaps stated that the Sawmills Planning Board had voted unanimously to recommend this rezoning.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No one wished to speak.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING: Mayor Keith Warren asked for a motion to close the public hearing.

Rebecca Johnson made a motion, and Bobby Mosteller seconded, to close the public hearing. All were in favor.

COUNCIL ACTION: Clay Wilson made a motion, and Rebecca Johnson seconded, to rezone Pin 2766819383 from General Manufacturing to R-15. All were in favor.

PLANNING:

CALL FOR PUBLIC HEARING FOR ANNEXATION: Mayor Keith Warren stated that the Town of Sawmills had received a petition for Voluntary Annexation from Austin Moore and Sydney Moore for parcel NCPIN 2765859216.

The Town Council must hold a public hearing in order to annex the parcel. Staff proposes the public hearing be set for the next regularly scheduled Town Council meeting on October 18, 2022.

Rebecca Johnson made a motion, and Bobby Mosteller seconded, to hold a public hearing for the Voluntary Annexation for parcel NCPIN 2765859216 during the next regularly scheduled Town Council meeting on October 18, 2022. All were in favor.

FINANCE:

BANK SIGNATURE CARDS: Mayor Keith Warren stated that with the hiring of Kelly Melton as Deputy Finance Officer, new signature cards will need to be updated at the bank. The bank requires a new signature card to be on file whenever there are changes in the staff and/or Council. Two (2) signatures are required for accounts payable checks, and the purchase and/or sales of Public Funded Certificates of Deposits.

Clay Wilson made a motion, and Rebecca Johnsons seconded, to authorize Finance Officer Karen Clontz, Deputy Finance Officer Kelly Melton and Town Manager Chase Winebarger to sign on behalf of the Town with regards to banking transactions. All were in favor.

DISCUSSION:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AUCTION SALE: Mayor Keith Warren stated that The Town of Sawmills owns a parcel of land located at 4476 Sawmills School Road that is surplus to its needs. North Carolina General Statute § 160A-270 permits the Town to sell real property at public auction upon approval of the Town Council and after a publication of a notice announcing the auction. A Resolution Authorizing Auction Sale will need to be approved so that staff can sell the surplus real property. The auction will be held on Wednesday, October 26, 2022, beginning at 2:00pm in the Town of Sawmills Council Chambers.

Rebecca Johnson made a motion, and Clay Wilson seconded, to approve the Resolution Authorizing Auction Sale to auction the Town's surplus property located at 4476 Sawmills School Road, on Wednesday, October 26, 2022, beginning at 2:00pm in the Town of Sawmills Council Chambers. All were in favor.

CALDWELL COUNTY GOLDEN LEAF FOUNDATIONS SITE PROGRAM

DEVELOPMENT GRANT REQUEST: Mayor Keith Warren stated that the Town of Sawmills and Caldwell County officials are working together to develop an Industrial Park to increase economic opportunity for the Town, its residents, and Caldwell County. Caldwell County purchased approximately thirty (30) acres to develop in the Town of Sawmills for new manufacturers desiring to locate to the region. This project will include site preparation for the construction of three (3) or more manufacturing facilities. The Town of Sawmills will partner with Caldwell County to assist in bringing appropriate water and sewer services to the site.

Clay Wilson made a motion, and Rebecca Johnson seconded, to approve the Resolution of Support Caldwell County Golden Leaf Foundation Site Program Development Grant Request. All were in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mayor Keith Warren asked if anyone had any questions or comments at this time.

No one wished to speak.

UPDATES:

SEPTEMBER CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT: Town Code Enforcement Officer Curt Willis stated that there are eleven (11) code enforcement cases that are open.

No Council action was required.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Bobby Mosteller wanted to thank everyone for coming out and investing in the community.

Clay Wilson wanted to thank everyone for coming out.

COUNCIL ADJOURN: Mayor Keith Warren asked for a motion to adjourn.

Clay Wilson made a motion, and Rebecca Johnson seconded, to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:17pm.

Keith Warren, Mayor

Julie A. Good, Town Clerk