



MINUTES

**Town of Weaverville
State of North Carolina**

**Town Council Regular Meeting
Monday, April 25, 2022**

The Town Council for the Town of Weaverville met for its regularly monthly meeting on Monday, March 28, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers within Town Hall at 30 South Main Street, Weaverville, NC with remote access via zoom.

Councilmembers present were: Mayor Patrick Fitzsimmons, Vice Mayor Jeff McKenna, and Councilmembers Doug Jackson, John Chase, Catherine Cordell, Andrew Nagle and Michele Wood.

Staff members present were: Town Manager Selena Coffey, Town Attorney Jennifer Jackson, Clerk/Planning Director James Eller, Finance Officer Tonya Dozier, Police Chief Ron Davis, Fire Chief Ted Williams, Public Works Director Dale Pennell, Water Resources Superintendent Trent Duncan.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Patrick Fitzsimmons called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Approval/Adjustments to the Agenda

Councilmember Nagle moved for the approval of the agenda. Vice Mayor McKenna seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion to approve all the agenda. Motion passed 7-0.

3. Consent Agenda

Councilmember Jackson moved for the approval of the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Wood seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion to approve all action requested in the Consent Agenda listed below. Motion passed 7-0.

A. Town Council Minutes – approved March 28, 2022 regular meeting minutes of Council

B. Town Council Minutes – approved April 19, 2022 regular workshop minutes of Council

C. Monthly Tax Report – Information only; submitted by Buncombe County Tax Department

D. Budget Amendment – Community Center (Rec Complex) – Budget amendment for donations made to the Community Center for the Recreation Complex

E. Road Closure Ordinance – Fourth of July celebration

F. Set Public Hearing – FY 2022 – 2023 Budget public hearing set for May 23, 2022 at 6pm

G. Set Public Hearing – Public Hearing for a zoning text amendment and a conditional district set for May 23, 2022 at 6pm

4. Town Manager's Report

Ms. Coffey presented her Manager's report to Council which included information related to Arbor Day, Buncombe County ARP grant request, 2023 Citizens Academy, DWSRF update, and an I-26 bridge replacement project update.

5. General Public Comment

General public comments may be submitted either during the meeting or in writing in advance of the meeting. Normal rules of decorum apply to all comments. The general public comments section of the meeting will be limited to 20 minutes and priority will be given to those commenters in attendance. Individuals presenting comments during the meeting are generally limited to 3 minutes. Written comments that are timely received will be provided to Town Council, included as part of the minutes of the meeting, and read into the record during the 20-minute general public comment period as time allows. Written comments are limited to no more than 450 words and can be submitted as follows: (1) by emailing to public-comment@weavervillenc.org at least 6 hours prior to the meeting, (2) by putting your written comment in a drop box at Town Hall (located at front entrance and back parking lot) at least 6 hours prior to the meeting, (3) by mailing your written comment (must be received not later than Monday's mail delivery) to: Town of Weaverville, PO Box 338, Weaverville, NC, 28787, Attn: Public Comments. For more information please call (828)645-7116.

Mayor Fitzsimmons read a statement regarding general public comment during Town Council meetings. Mr. Eller also noted that no comments had been received via email, or written comment through the drop boxes or mail.

Jim Proffitt of 16 Saint Browns Place spoke to Council regarding his opposition to the possibility of turning a portion of Lakeshore Drive into a one-way street.

Thomas Veasey of 69 Lakeshore Drive spoke to Council regarding his opposition to the possibility of turning a portion of Lakeshore Drive into a one-way street.

Conley Hyer, Sharron Proffitt, Edith Brown and Glee Basmer ceded their time to speak to Mr. Proffitt and Mr. Veasey.

Michael Matthews spoke to Council regarding his opposition to the expansion of the water treatment plant.

Lou Accornero spoke to Council regarding downtown parking issues.

Mr. Eller noted that no member of the public attending remotely via zoom had identified themselves as wishing to make a public comment.

Mayor Fitzsimmons closed the public comment period.

6. Discussion and Action Items

A. FY 2022-2023 Budget Presentation

Pursuant to NCGS 159-11 and the North Carolina Budget and Fiscal Control Act, Ms. Coffey presented Town Council with the proposed balanced budget for fiscal year 2022-2023 along with the required budget message. Along with an overview of the proposed budget it was noted that the public hearing on the budget was set for May, 23 at 6pm earlier in the consent agenda. Ms. Coffey also noted that the proposed budget had been filed with the Town Clerk and posted to the Town's website for public inspection. The budget does not propose an increase in the property tax rate.

B. Conditional District for Duke Energy Substation – Set Public Hearing

Mr. Eller presented information related to the proposed conditional district for a Duke Energy substation on a 33.75 acre tract in the vicinity of Aiken Road and Hickory Lane. It was noted that

the proposed conditional district had been reviewed by the Planning Board and that a unanimous favorable recommendation would be presented to Town Council at their May 23 meeting. Councilmember Nagle noted that he owns property that adjoins the property that is proposed for this substation.

Mayor Fitzsimmons motioned to set the public hearing for May 23. Councilmember Cordell seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

C. Update on Regional Water Discussion

Mayor Fitzsimmons briefly updated Council regarding meetings that have been held with regional authorities related to the Town's water system and noted that he expected to give a more complete update at Town Council's next meeting.

D. Waterline Extension Request – Pleasant Grove Townhomes

Mr. Pennell presented Town Council with information related to a water allocation request for a project consisting of 54 residential units. This information included an application for a water commitment, a proposed water plan and a draft commitment letter.

No motion was made related to the waterline extension request and, therefore no action was taken.

Warren Sugg spoke to Town Council regarding the waterline extension request and requested that the item be placed on the May 23 regular meeting agenda for action.

E. Lake Louise Area Traffic Pattern Discussion

At a previous meeting of Town Council a suggestion was made to consider changing to a one-way traffic configuration around Lake Louise. Staff met regarding the issue and an internal traffic study was conducted. Staff reported that a one-way traffic configuration would present several challenges to the immediate vicinity and surrounding neighborhoods.

Councilmember Cordell noted that more information was needed related to the issue and this position became the consensus of Council. The Town Manager was asked to see if Traffic Planning Design could conduct a study and report back on the matter.

F. Quarterly Report – Finance

Ms. Dozier presented Town Council with the quarterly report for the Finance Department.

G. Quarterly Report – Planning

Mr. Eller presented Town Council with the quarterly report for the Planning Department.

7. Adjournment.

Councilmember Chase motioned to adjourn the meeting. Vice Mayor seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30.



James Eller, Town Clerk

Town of Weaverville

**AN ORDINANCE DECLARING A ROAD CLOSURE FOR THE
Weaverville July 4th Celebration**

WHEREAS, the Town Council of Weaverville acknowledges a long tradition of hosting a July 4th celebration, that benefits the Weaverville and the North Buncombe community; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of Weaverville acknowledges the July 4 downtown celebration will require approximately two (2) hours to install signage, and also will require approximately one (1) hour for removing signage, litter, etc.

WHEREAS, The Town Council of Weaverville recognizes that the detour route will be appropriately marked with signage and personnel at various locations to ensure the motoring public travels safely and without unnecessary delay.

NO THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of Weaverville pursuant to the authority granted by G. S. 20-169, that we do hereby declare a temporary road closure on the day and times set forth below and the following described portion of a State Highway System route:

Weaverville Downtown July 4th Celebration

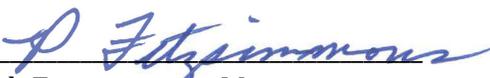
Date: July 4, 2022

Time: 12:00pm until 11:30pm

Road Closure: The portion of Main Street between Church Street and Brown Street will be closed and all traffic safely detoured around this area.

This ordinance to become effective when signs are erected giving notice of the road closures and detour routes, the implementation of adequate traffic control.

Adopted this 25th day of April, 2022


Patrick Fitzsimmons, Mayor

Attest:


James Eller, Town Clerk



**TOWN OF WEAVERVILLE
NORTH CAROLINA
JULY 4 ROAD CLOSURES**

