



**David Spencer, Mayor**  
**Tammy Kelledees, Town Manager/Clerk**

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**Town Council Meeting**  
**Town of Greensboro**  
**06/06/2024**

In attendance: Mayor Spencer, Commissioner Breliia, Commissioner Harrison, Commissioner Noon, Commissioner Robinson, Town Manager Kelledees, Chief Trams, Public Works Supervisor Cunningham, COMS Weaver, Town attorney assistant Carly Landolfi.

Residents: Chris Mason, Paula Turner, Jeff Jackson, Kevin Parks, Timothy Dalton, Roxann Lopez, William Schaffner, Terri Christopher, Ricky Hood, Donna Clay, Jim Pratt, Kelly Ruggerio, Ken Burk

Zoom: Connie Connolly, Nick, Tammy Cohee, V Williams, Paul Gregory, Rebecka, Jim B, Amy Birdsall, Missy Brad, Jose, Jennie

Mayor Spencer called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation by Mr. Schaffner

Mayor Spencer asked for approval of minutes from 5/9/24, 5/15/24 and 5/16/24.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Noon to approve minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Harrison. All In favor.***

**Public comment:**

The following residents had comments:

- Tom Chandler – commented on the budget and on requests for information
- Tim Dalton- commented on the transparency of the budget.
- William Schaffner- commented on starting budget earlier.
- Chris Mason – commented on budget.
- Paula Turner-commented on the cost of health care
- Donna Clay- commented on budget, job descriptions, salaries and positions.
- Kelly Ruggerio- commented on kids at Ober Park being destructive and carrying weapons

Public comment closed.

Discussion among council and residents about the budget and the difficulty that Town Manager Kelledees has had in trying to revise it every time comments are made by the public. It was explained by the Town Attorney that if the budget is not passed tonight then funds cannot be spent until appropriated, which means that no bills will get paid. The Ordinance must be passed and doesn't go into effect for 20 days. More discussion on passing the budget and having a special meeting structured so that residents and council can have a conversation. It was emphasized to the public that they have been heard.

Mayor Spencer asked that since we must do an amendment to the budget, is there a motion to amend the budget to be revised.

***A motion to amend the budget to the one dated 6/6/24 that was presented made by Commissioner Brelia and seconded by Commissioner Noon. All in favor.***

***Motion to adopt ORDINANCE 2024-O-3 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GREENSBORO ADOPTING A GENERAL BUDGET AND ENTERPRISE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON JULY 1, 2024 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2025, AND ESTABLISHING A TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$0.70 PER \$100 OF ASSESSED REAL PROPERTY VALUE; \$1.513 PER \$100 ON ALL COMMERCIAL OR BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY; AND \$1.40 PER \$100 ON PUBLIC UTILITIES; AND TO ADOPT THE SERVICE CHARGE ON THE SECOND SEMIANNUAL TAX PAYMENT AND AN ADMINISTRATIVE FEE ADOPTED BY CAROLINE COUNTY as an amended budget made by Commissioner Harrison and seconded by Commissioner Brelia. Commissioner Robinson opposed.***

Discussion among council and the town attorney about holding a special meeting where the public and council can have a conversation on the budget.

Mayor Spencer asked to have a special meeting after the next Town Council meeting on 6/20/24.

***Motion made by Commissioner Robinson to have a special meeting immediately following the regular meeting on 6/20/2024. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Noon. All in favor.***

Mayor Spencer asked if anyone had any discussion or comment on Ordinance 2024-O-4 and no one did.

***Motion to adopt ORDINANCE 2024-O-4 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GREENSBORO ESTABLISHING RATES FOR WATER AND SEWER CUSTOMERS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024, AND REPEALING ALL PREVIOUS ORDINANCES OR RESOLUTIONS INCONSISTENT WITH THE NEWLY ADOPTED RATES AND CHARGES made by Commissioner Robinson and seconded by Commissioner Noon. All in favor.***

### **Committee and Department Reports**

**Town Manager** Tammy Kelledees gave the following report:

- Budget – one of the changes that was made was redoing job descriptions and at this time can only justify a part time position. Her thought is to take the money saved and put it towards loan debt.

- A letter of intent to apply for WWTP expansion funding from Rural Water has been submitted and in the process of applying for a grant through the Community Block Grant for the expansion as well.
  - Mr. Schaffner asked for a copy of the organizational chart for the Town, and she will have that for the next meeting.

**Town Attorney** Assistant Landolfi had nothing to report

**Police** Chief Trams gave the following report:

Some things that were handled in May were:

- Lots of complaints about parking on the yellow curb, fire hydrants and no parking places. He is trying to educate people before towing.
- Patrol checks, traffic stops, driving without license and suspended licenses.
- Serving warrants
- Speeding complaints several of which were on Sunset and Ridgely Road
- Disturbance in Rolling Meadows where one person had an arrest warrant
- Enforcements for cutting thru to avoid red the light

This morning there were three search warrants issued in the County for drug violations, two were in town and one was in Denton. More information will come from the Sheriff's department. Chief Trams is also working on the schedule to allow for more coverage.

**Public Works** Supervisor Brandon Cunningham gave the following report:

They have been working on the following.

- Grass
- Bulk pick-up
- Landscaping Town Hall
- Installed signs at Jessie Sutton Park
  - Commissioner Robinson said that Jessie's father is very touched and grateful for the Historical Society and the Town for the signs.
- 36 code violations
- Goldsboro sewer pump issue
- Chesapeake Septic came and did a phenomenal job of fixing the pump issue at the East Lift Station.
- The water tower behind Save-a-lot has been power washed and had one coat of paint.
  - Mayor Spencer asked about the cost, and it was explained that is included in the contract.
- A property on Vaughn has issues with flooding where the property backs up to a wooded area owned by someone in Denton. Mr. Cunningham reached out to the owners but received no response. It is a civil issue as the other property is not in town limits.

**Community Outreach/Main Street Coordinator** Amanda Weaver gave the following report:

- The basketball program has ended with about 100 children participating in the final tournament. Chief Trams refereed the games, and all the children loved it.
- The grant has been submitted for next year.
- Car Show is well over 100% funded so it won't cost the town. The extra funds will go to the basketball program and for sensory playground equipment.
- Cops and Bobbers Fishing Derby is set for 9/28/24

- Coat Drive, which is partnered with Aarons Place and Greensboro Elementary is set for 11/8/24 and the Fire Company has agreed to allow it at the Community Hall. Trailer coming 10/18 with kids, men's and women's jackets. Local churches have been asked for hats and gloves.
- The Maryland Food Bank is going through a shortage, but we are still able to get the basics.
- Per our website developers – we should have a preview of the site next week and up and running by the end of the month.
- Spoke to State Highway about replacing the existing sign with a digital sign. Working on getting a grant with the Police Department but for now we have ARPA funds available that would be replenished back to ARPA upon approval.
- The Facebook page “Talk of the Town” is not affiliated with the Town of Greensboro.
- She and Mr. Cunningham met with Jaime Beechy from the county about a splash pad at the baseball park and a walking trail.
- Working with a few families trying to get them housing and assistance.
- Learning code enforcement
- Working on our Facebook page not being just agendas and trying to put more information from the Police Department and Public Works.

**GVFC** – no one to give report

### **Old Business**

Review and approval of WWTP Operator RFP bids.

The council has discussed the two bids and Mayor Spencer asked for a motion on the decision.

***Commissioner Brelia made a motion to award the company for operations at the WWTP as Susquehanna. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Harrison. All in favor.***

Mayor Spencer said that the town attorney and town manager are working on notification to increase the rates for Goldsboro.

### **New Business**

- Commissioner Harrison said that there was a complaint from a resident on Wood Duck who cut a tree down but that they will have it cleaned up by this weekend.
- Commissioner Harris asked about an update on Kinnamon Meadows.
  - There is an issue with storm water management and the state has been contacted.
- Discussion on restarting the citizens advisory committee.
- COM Weaver asked if she could get the sign. The cost is under \$25000. She proposed using ARPA funds and replacing those funds with the grant money. Discussion on whether anyone was opposed to the sign and the question of adjusting the brightness was asked. No one is opposed and the brightness can be adjusted.

***A motion to purchase the sign was made by Commissioner Noon which was seconded by Commissioner Robinson. All in favor.***

- Mr. Schaffner asked for the totals regarding the penalties and fines incurred by the current operator of the WWTP and Mrs. Kellede said she will get them to him.

## **Town Council Comments**

None

Mayor Spencer asked for a motion to adjourn.

***Motion made by Commissioner Robinson to adjourn which was seconded by Commissioner Harrison. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm.***

Respectfully submitted by Dawn Parks