

BADIN TOWN COUNCIL – PUBLIC HEARING  
September 13, 2016  
BADIN TOWN HALL

**Visitors:**

Speakers: Michael Sandy, Ronnie Reinert, Linda Kraeft, Joseph Trippel, Dale Ward, Anwar Ul.Haque, Ronnie Walsh, Carrie Ann Collier, Craig Collier, Jennifer Sanders

Non-Speakers: Daniel Barrero, Cathy Davis, Elizabeth Walton, Samuel Ray, Jo Grey, Valerie Tyson, Lisa Hinson, Jody Hopper, Jenny Henderson, Jim Dillander, Daisy Washington, Brenda Nelson, Tamera Burris

**Council Members Present:**

Anne Harwood, Mayor  
Deloris Chambers, Mayor Pro Tem  
Larry Milano  
Ryan Hatley  
Ernest Peoples

**Staff Present:**

Jay Almond, Town Manager  
Amanda Bowers, Assistant Town Clerk  
Wayne Carter, Public Works Director  
Bryan Lambert, Police Chief

Harwood opened the Public Hearing to gather public comments regarding a rezoning request of Alcoa Inc. to rezone Light Industrial (M-1) to General Business and Central Business along NC 740 Highway from the Badin Volunteer Fire Department to Falls Road.

Sandy explained re-zoning and listed all types of permitted businesses in light industrial and general business districts.

The following visitors expressed concerns regarding recruitment and attraction of new businesses into town: Ronnie Reinert, Linda Kraeft, Joseph Trippel, Craig Collier, Carrie Collier, Jennifer Sanders, and Anwar Ul Haque. Comments included preferences for; no new business at all in town, retaining the existing private parking lot as a light industrial zoned property with the expectation that development would remain stagnant, avoiding development because it might attract noise and profane language, higher taxes in lieu of an improved tax base from new business.

Dale Ward said he believed more time was needed for residents to be made aware of the topic before the public hearing. Almond suggested Council authorize him to resend all public notices, republish the advertisement for rezoning request, and host a second public hearing prior to the next meeting in order to afford residents every opportunity to consider the rezoning request and prepare to offer comment.

Ronnie Walsh of Venture Properties described a series of benefits associated with new business development in a town and noted the zoning request is reasonable and follows the intent of zoning's role in community building.

Harwood called for final comments then closed the Public Hearing regarding a request for the re-zoning of property along NC 740 Highway from the Badin Volunteer Fire Department to Falls Road.

Minutes approved October 11, 2016

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Town Clerk

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Mayor

Minutes Prepared by: Amanda Bowers

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