

**BADIN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – REGULAR MEETING**

April 9, 2019

BADIN TOWN HALL

**VISITORS**

Imari Scarbrough Lattimore, Nancy Vasser, Dave Stanford, Mary Anne Sulton

**Council Members Present:**

Anne Harwood, Mayor  
Deloris Chambers, Mayor Pro Tem  
Ernest Peoples  
Larry Milano  
Gary Lowder

**Staff Present:**

Jay Almond, Town Manager  
Wayne Carter, Property Maintenance Supervisor  
Amanda Bowers, Town Clerk  
Bryan Lambert, Police Chief

Opening prayer by Deloris Chambers.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag recited.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Nancy Vasser thanked the town for Dogwood Lane gravel. She said she sees fire ants in the area, a trash can on a former tee box and hears gunshots. She and Pat Leonard met with Dale Newport who said he couldn't control fireants.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Harwood called the meeting to order.

**AMENDMENT(S) TO THE AGENDA**

6(a) Move Police Reports to 6(a).

10(a) Resolution to declare April 2019 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

March 12, 2019 Regular Meeting

Motion to approve: Chambers

Second: Peoples

Vote: Passed/Unanimous

**BUSINESS**

At the request of Stanly County Schools Superintendent Dr. Jeff James, Nancy Hatley, Director of Stanly County Virtual Education (SCoVE) for Stanly County Schools, provided a presentation to inform Council about SCoVE which is primarily for K-12 homeschool. Hatley hopes council will share SCoVE with homeschool parents.

Council considered adopting a resolution opposing the unfunded mandate proposed in Senate Bill 179 and House Bill 278 (SB179/HB278) Parity for First Responders. SB179 and HB278 Parity for First Responders seeks to add a new separation allowance retirement benefit for firefighters and rescue workers much like the separation allowance for qualifying law enforcement officers. There is no indication the state will offer funding at any level for the benefit but would require towns and cities to foot the bill. Council was presented with messages from NC City and County Management Association (NCCCMA) President and Wilson City Manager Grant Goings and NCCCMA Retirement Committee Chair Ken Noland. Milano requested more information.

Motion to table resolution opposing unfunded mandate proposed in Senate Bill 179 and House Bill 278: Chambers

Second: Lowder

Vote: Passed/Unanimous

Almond presented Council with a resolution requesting NC General Assembly support for downtown revitalization and historic preservation set forth March 28<sup>th</sup>.

Motion to adopt Resolution Supporting the purchase of the structure and grounds of Stanly County's first hospital for preservation and prosperity and requesting the support of our members in the NC General Assembly: Milano

Second: Chambers

Vote: Passed/Unanimous

Council will host 2 public hearings to gather input regarding FY 2019-20 Town of Badin Municipal Budget prior to its adoption by July 1, 2019. The first public hearing to gather input regarding FY 2019-20 Town of Badin Municipal Budget will be 6:45 p.m. May 14, 2019 in Badin Town Hall. The second public hearing to gather input regarding FY 2019-20 budget will be 6:45 p.m. June 11, 2019 in Badin Town Hall.

Motion to set public hearing for 6:45 p.m. May 14, 2019, in Badin Town Hall: Chambers

Second: Peoples

Vote: Passed/Unanimous

### **CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT**

- 105 Maple St. – Order to abate has been served.
- 104 Pine St. – Order to abate has been served.
- 95 Nantahala St. – Resolved.
- 44/46 Falls Rd. – Resolved.
- 408 Jackson St. – Burnt dwelling investigation completed. Awaiting Fire Marshall's ok to proceed.
- 509 Roosevelt St. – Dilapidated building. Researching ownership. Unable to locate responsible parties.

Council would like Town of Badin Code Enforcement Officer Tim Swaringen to attend the next council meeting (May) if he is able.

### **POLICE REPORT:**

Lambert reported 2,747 calls for service for March.

- Resolved 14 of 17 codes for March.
- Removed 7 dogs.
- Still unresolved cases:
  - 56 Cedar St. – Ongoing
  - 5 Cherry St. – Under foreclosure.

### **PUBLIC WORKS:**

Carter reported the following:

- Public Works collected 15 loads of brush for April.
- Next limb/brush collection will be May 7, 2019.
- Semi-annual town cleanup ongoing. Public works collected 8 loads (14 tons) at \$586 in tipping fees in two days.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Almond presented financial report ending April 5, 2019. March revenue from property tax, sales & use tax, occupancy tax.

Will need a budget amendment by June meeting for Powell Bill Street Repair and Maintenance for Willow Street Reconstruction which is ongoing.

### **MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Almond reported the following:

1. Chambers and Mullinix will attend SCCVB 8:30 a.m. Wed., Apr. 10 in Stanly Commons.
2. Badin Town Council will attend Albemarle Correctional Institution's annual Volunteer Appreciation Banquet 6 p.m. April 11 in ACI meeting hall.
3. Badin Town Hall will host an exploration station for Stanly County Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM) Apr. 11<sup>th</sup>.
4. Mayor Harwood, Gary Lowder, Jay Almond, and Dan Dalton will attend the 10 Days of Uwharrie summit at 5:45 p.m. Apr. 18<sup>th</sup> in Troy Town Hall.
5. Lowder Attended the Better Badin meeting. Received \$2,500 donation for Powwow.
6. Willow Street Project progressing well.
7. Crepe Myrtles planted in Roosevelt St. median.
8. Badin Town Council will convene for its FY 2019-20 Budget Retreat at 5:30 p.m. April 30<sup>th</sup> in Badin Town Council chambers.
9. Next Regular Council Meeting, 6:45 p.m. Tues., May 14, 2019 in Badin Town Hall.
10. Council to enter closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(1) to discuss matters pursuant to NCGS 143-318-11(a)(4).

Motion to enter closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(1) to discuss matters pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(4): Chambers

Second: Milano

Vote: Passed/Unanimous

Council re-entered regular session.

Council discussed declaring April 2019 as Sexual Assault Awareness month. Each April the Esther House requests to hang a wreath on the door of Town Hall in Awareness.

Motion to declare April 2019 as Sexual Assault Awareness month: Milano

Second: Peoples

Vote: Passed/Unanimous

Chambers appointed to CCOG Executive Board and will attend Charlotte CCOG Apr. 10.

Council discussed worsening conditions on Boyden St. Almond said NCDOT resurfacing of Boyden and Nantahala should begin very soon.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Harwood called for a motion to recess April 9, 2019 regular meeting until 5:30 p.m. April 30 budget retreat.

Motion: Chambers

Second: Peoples

Vote: Passed/Unanimous

Minutes approved May 14, 2019