

**TOWN OF AURORA, NC**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES**  
**Monday, August 5, 2024, Meeting**

A regular meeting of the Aurora Town Board of Commissioners was held at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, August 5, 2024, at the Town Hall. Mayor Williams called the meeting to order with the following present:

**Officials Present:** ☒ Clif Williams, Mayor

**Commissioners Present:** ☐ Omar Bahhur  
☒ Coley Jordan  
☒ Steve McCormack  
☒ Jeff Peed

**Attendance:** ☒ Judi Lannon – Town Clerk/Finance Officer  
☐ James Ham - Public Works Interim Director  
☒ Rhonda Stallings - Administrative Assistant/Utility Billing  
☒ Various members of the public were in attendance

Commissioner Bahhur was unable to attend the meeting.

Mayor Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance and Commissioner Peed led in prayer.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Commissioner Jordan and seconded by Commissioner Peed. The motion passed with a 3 to 0 vote.

**Public Comment**

Denise Bonner announced the Aurora Community Watch would be hosting the annual Aurora National Night Out on Saturday, August 31 at the Community Center. Mrs. Bonner inquired if the Town would again be providing a contribution toward the event to help with food and beverages. The council was in agreement and a motion was made by Commissioner Peed and seconded by Commissioner Jordan to provide the same allocation amount as last year of \$500.00 dollars towards the community event. The motion passed with a 3 to 0 vote.

**Consideration of Minutes**

The proposed minutes of the July 1, 2024, meeting were approved on a motion made by Commissioner Peed and seconded by Commissioner Jordan and were approved with a 3 to 0 vote.

**Old Business**

The Board considered the Resolution and Duke Energy Joint Use Agreement for Holiday Receptacles on Light Poles. Commissioner Jordan was thanked by the Board for his work on the project. A motion was made by Commissioner Peed for the Town to enter into the Joint Use Agreement for Holiday Receptacles on Light Poles. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jordan and passed with a 3 to 0 vote.

Next under Old Business the Clerk updated the Board on the attempt that is being made by the Town Hall to coordinate the opening of the water interconnection with Beaufort County for an interim period of time in order to remain compliant with NCDEQ requirements due to the lack of qualified personnel. The Town has a standing emergency agreement with the county for the interconnection and is negotiating with a B-Well/B-Distribution Certified Operator. NC Rural Water has been aiding the Town in coordinating these efforts.

### **New Business**

Under New Business the Board considered the Aurora Industrial Park Resolution, Promissory Note, Deed of Trust and Inter Local Financing Agreement with Beaufort County for a \$200,000 loan as prepared by the Town and County Attorneys. A motion was made by Commissioner Peed to approve the Resolution, Promissory Note, Deed of Trust and Inter Local Financing Agreement for the Aurora Industrial Agreement Park. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jordan and passed with a 3 to 0 vote.

Council briefly discussed proposed incentives for contracting companies to buy or possibly lease space in the industrial park.

Next under New Business the Board considered the Resolution and the 160D Planning and Zoning Administrative Services Contract with the Mid-East Commission. The motion was made by Commissioner Jordan to enter into the 160D Planning and Zoning Administrative Services Contract with the Mid-East Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McCormack and passed with a 3 to 0 vote.

### **Mayor and Board Comments**

During Board Comments a brief discussion took place regarding problems with electrical contactors at the wastewater treatment lagoon. Pearson Pumps had looked at the problem and was overdue to come back and make the repair. Two other electricians were listed to reach out to in order to get the work completed.

### **Adjournment/Recess**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner Peed and seconded by Commissioner McCormack to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed with a 3 to 0 vote.

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Clif Williams, Mayor

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Judith S. Lannon, Town Clerk