

Edenton Town Council Minutes
Special Meeting
October 23, 2023

The Edenton Town Council met in special session on Monday, October 23, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The following members were present: Mayor Jimmy Stallings, Councilman Elton Bond, Councilman Roger Coleman, Councilman Aaron Coston, Councilman Samuel Dixon, Councilman Hackney High and Councilman Craig Miller.

Mayor Jimmy Stallings called the meeting to order.

Presentation-Daughters of the American Revolution Marker

Sandy Sperry, representative of the Daughters of the American Revolution was present and made a presentation and request to the Town Council for the placement of a historical marker to acknowledge the Revolutionary War Patriots at the Town of Edenton's Elizabeth Vann Moore Park.

Councilman High made a motion to approve the historical marker request. Councilman Bond seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Presentation-Town Harbor Advocates

Joe Wach made a presentation to the Town Council to share their concerns and efforts to assist the Town of Edenton with making improvements to the Town of Edenton's Harbor. Also present were Bud Powell, Jim Frens, and Mark Theiser. The group requested that the Mayor appoint a group of citizens- The Mayor's Harbor Advisory Committee.

Mr. Wach shared the mission and the review efforts the group will take to help bring solutions back to Town staff to help accomplish future improvements to the Town's Harbor. He noted that with the increase in transient boat traffic and the Town's participation in the Harbortowns project, this type of review is needed to help identify any gaps or improvements we need to make due to the increased demand.

No action was needed on this agenda item.

Resolution-Special Recognition

Mayor Stallings presented a resolution of appreciation to Councilman Roger Coleman thanking him for serving on the Edenton Town Council.

Council Computer – Approval of Private Sale of Town Equipment

Corey Gooden, Town Manager requested that the Town Council authorize the sale of the Town's Surface Pro Computer assigned to Councilman Coleman. He noted that previously the Town Council had allowed out-going elected officials to purchase their iPads for \$50. The Town has since purchased computers for the Town Council members and staff has reviewed pricing and recommends a sale price of \$150.

Councilman Miller made a motion to approve the sale of the computer to Councilman Coleman for \$150.00. Councilman Dixon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Tenth Amendment and Restated Full Requirements Power Purchase Agreement

Corey Gooden, Town Manager stated that he received the updated version of the 10th Amendment and Restated Full Requirements Power Purchase Agreement (RFRPPA) from the legal counsel offices (Representative Sydney P Davis of the Law Offices of Poyner & Spruill) for the North Carolina Eastern Municipal Power Association (NCEMPA). He explained that this 10th Amendment and RFRPPA documentation would allow the Town of Edenton to continue to have a purchase power agreement between the Town of Edenton (via NCEMPA) and Duke Energy Progress, LLC.

Corey Gooden, Town Manager stated that Town Council approval of these documents is needed to complete all of the required documentation on behalf of the Town. Below is a general overview of any key changes from the 2015 agreement and the amended 2023 agreement. He also noted that the Town Attorney was reviewing the documents.

Excerpt from NCEMPA - For additional information please see below.

- The WHEREAS section of the FRPSA has been revised to reflect certain defined terms in the FRPPA.
- Definitions have been added and updated to define and include Energy Injection Devices (battery storage) under the Qualified Generation Cap (subject to the minimum size threshold of 95 kW), now called Qualified Resources (QR).
- The Guidelines Concerning Load Side Generation were updated to conform to the FRPPA and are now called the Guidelines Concerning Distributed Resources approved by the NCEMPA Board of Commissioners and ElectriCities Board of Directors in July 2023.

Some highlights of the changes to include the following:

- Maintain the cap at 1.75% of DEP system capacity, but increase the cap by 25 MW.
- Grandfather existing battery installations (5 MW excluded from the cap).
- Remove limits on location, allowing all QR to be located either behind the 1st or 2nd meters (i.e., retail customer and/or delivery point).
- Remove limits on ownership, allowing NCEMPA, Members, or their customers to own QR and shortened notice periods for new QR.
- New definition to address large interruptible loads (e.g., Cryptocurrency miners): Applies to new C&I customers (or new load of existing C&I customers) with interruptible load in excess of 1 MW

Councilman Coston made a motion to approve the purchase power agreement as reviewed. Councilman Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further items on the special meeting agenda, the meeting was adjourned.

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The Edenton Town Council met on Monday, October 23, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers for committee meetings. The following members were present: Mayor Jimmy Stallings, Councilman Elton Bond, Councilman Roger Coleman, Councilman Aaron Coston, Councilman Samuel Dixon, Councilman Hackney High and Councilman Craig Miller.

Mayor Jimmy Stallings called the meeting to order.

Administrative Committee

Memorandum of Understanding-Habitat for Humanity

Councilman High stated that the Town of Edenton is dedicated to promote the redevelopment of areas in the interest of public health, safety, and welfare of the residents, and consistently seeks partners that embody the same values. He stated that with a continued partnership with Habitat for Humanity, both organizations can target specific areas in town that are in need of revitalization and rehabilitation through the replacement and/or renovation of sub-standard homes. This Memorandum of Understanding demonstrates the continued partnership between the Town of Edenton and the Chowan-Perquimans Habitat for Humanity to jointly pursue the goal of providing decent, affordable housing to the working families of Edenton.

This item was recommended to be placed on the next regular meeting agenda for approval.

Mayor's Harbor Advisory Committee

Councilman High stated that local citizens are requesting that the Mayor create the – Mayor's Harbor Advisory Committee. He stated that the group will review the Town's current facilities that are provided to boaters and make sure that the Town facilities are up to current standards for marinas/harbors. This group would be tasked with helping make recommendations for any improvements that are needed for future accommodations. The timing of this review is critical with the upcoming launch of the 2024 Harbortowns Project and the respective funding that will follow.

Councilman High stated that staff spoke with other local municipalities (i.e., Washington, Beaufort, and Elizabeth City) and were able to create an overview guidance document which was included in the packet to help provide structure for the group. The group will consist of six members – four (4) residents, a Town Employee, and the Main Street Executive Director. Applications will be accepted until November 23rd at 5:00 p.m. Meetings for the group will be held on the second Monday at 8:30a.m. at the Town Hall.

This item was recommended to be placed on the next regular meeting agenda for approval.

Public Works Committee

Memorial Bench Request-200 South Broad Street

Councilman Miller stated that David Myers, Public Works Director is requesting approval for the installation of a memorial bench in honor of a town employee Scott Alan Dees, who passed away May 24, 2022. Scott Dees was employed with the Town of Edenton for 22 years. The proposed location for the bench would be in front of 215 South Broad Street along the brick sidewalk. The same style black metal bench that is currently installed at other downtown locations.

This item was recommended to be placed on the next regular meeting agenda for approval.

Trash Receptacle Request-100 East Queen Street

Councilman Miller stated that David Myers, Public Works Director has requested approval for the installation of a trash receptacle in the 100 block of East Queen Street, just past the two new parking spots Town Council approved earlier this year on East Queen Street. The installation of this trash receptacle will also help Public Works protect the water meter boxes at 102 East Queen from the vehicles pulling up on the curb to park in the parking spot.

This item was recommended to be placed on the next regular meeting agenda for approval.

There being no further items on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned.

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Closed Session
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The Edenton Town Council met in closed session on Monday, October 23, 2023 in the Town Council Chambers. The following members were present: Mayor Jimmy Stallings, Councilman Elton Bond, Councilman Roger Coleman, Councilman Aaron Coston, Councilman Samuel Dixon, Councilman Hackney High and Councilman Craig Miller.

A motion was made to go into closed session, by Councilman Coston and seconded by Councilman Miller, per NCGS 143-318-11(a)(5) for negotiations on behalf of the Public Body for the acquisition of real property.

During the closed session Council discussed the property of interest and the terms in which the Council was comfortable with for the owners.

A motion was made to go out of closed session, by Councilman High and seconded by Councilman Miller, the motion carried unanimously.

Thereafter the closed session was adjourned.