Pink Hill Town Board Meeting Minutes April 8th, 2025

The Town of Pink Hill Board of Commissioner's meeting was held on April 8th, 2025 at 7:00 pm in Robert Elmore Board Room. Present at the meeting were: Mayor Mike Horne, Commissioner Pete Fantini, Commissioner Michael Whitfield, Town Attorney Anna Herring, Town Clerk Lauren Smith, Police Chief Michael Hoffman and Officer John Weaver.

Mayor Horne called the meeting to order & asked everyone to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Visitors present were: Tony Esposito, Chad Tyson, Melissa Gallegos, Richard Hayes, Miranda Futrell & Jerome Vaughn

Mayor Horne referenced meeting protocol & the conflict-of-interest statement

Public Comments:

Miranda Futrell introduced herself as the new Lenoir County Emergency Services Deputy Director & noted her attendance as an effort to build on the relationships with the Towns within the County.

Approval of the Agenda:

- Commissioner Fantini made a motion to approve the April agenda
- · Seconded by Commissioner Whitfield
- Vote was unanimous; motion carries

Approval of the Minutes:

- Commissioner Fantini made a motion to approve the March minutes
- Seconded by Commissioner Whitfield
- Vote 2-0; motion carries

Financial Reports: The Clerk was unable to complete the Financial Reports as of the night of the Meeting, but did include reports up to date as of the month prior.

Department Reports:

- Mayor Horne gave Water Department updates including the status of the trial cellular based water meter trial with Consolidated Pipe & the Capital Water & Sewer Improvement Projects.
- The Clerk advised that the Monthly Fire Report had not yet been submitted as of the time of the Meeting. Commissioner Whitfield noted the success of the multicompany fire training held in Pink Hill on April 5th.
- The Monthly Police Report for March was included in binders & read by Commissioner Whitfield.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Chad Tyson with Wholesale Payments, referred to the Town by Deep Run Water Corporation, presented a credit card merchant services solution aimed at offsetting fees incurred by utility service payments made by passing a set percentage along to the end user.

- Commissioner Whitfield made a motion
- Seconded by Commissioner Fantini
- Vote was unanimous; motion carries

Next, Mayor Horne read a road closure request by Lori Bradford with the Pink Hill Public Library for their annual Back to School Bash to be held on August 2nd.

- Commissioner Fantini made a motion
- Seconded by Commissioner Whitfield
- Vote 2-0; motion carries

Mayor Horne then spoke about the Town's ongoing issues with GFL's contracted services & there was a consensus to have the Town's Attorney review the current contract in order to identify options that the Town may have to resolve the issues.

Finally, Jerome Vaughn took the stand to clarify information submitted on a pending Zoning Application for his proposed business, Impact Lounge Bar & Grill, and answered questions related to an unsanctioned event held on Saturday, April 5th. The Board offered an explanation of current Zoning Ordinances as well as suggestions for necessary adjustments needed to obtain Board Approval in the future.

Comments by BOC:

Commissioner Whitfield reminded everyone about the Easter Eggstravaganza Festival to be held on April 12th followed by the Adult Easter Bunny After Dark event to be held on Thursday, April 17th at Tower 110.

Motion to Adjourn:

- · Commissioner Fantini made a motion to Adjourn.
- · Seconded by Commissioner Whitfield
- Vote was unanimous

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

I, Lauren Smith, Town Clerk of the Town of Pink Hill, North Carolina, do herby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the minutes from the Town of Pink Hill Board of Commissioners April 8, 2025 regular board meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official Seal of the Town of Pink Hill, North Carolina, this the 13^{th} day of May, 2025.

Lauren Smith, Town Clerk

Attest/Seal