

# **Town of Bermuda Run**

## **Town Council Meeting Minutes**

### **December 14, 2021 – 6:00 PM**

The Town Council of Bermuda Run held its scheduled meeting on Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at 6:00 PM. The meeting was held at the Bermuda Run Town Hall.

**Council Members Present:** Mayor Rick Cross, Heather Coleman, Mike Ernst, Chris Fowler, and Ken Peacock; Newly appointed - Mike Brannon, and Melinda Szeliga

**Council Members Absent:** Curtis Capps

**Also Present:** Lee Rollins, Town Manager; Cindy Poe, Town Clerk; Brian Williams, Town Attorney

**Call to Order** Mayor Rick Cross called the meeting to order.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

#### **Moment of Silence**

*It is the intent of the Town Council to solemnize the proceedings of this meeting and the business brought before the governing board, to offer the opportunity for a reflective moment of silence.*

#### **Approval of the November 9, 2021 Town Council Meeting Minutes**

*Council Member Chris Fowler made a motion to approve the November 9, 2021 meeting minutes. Council Member Ken Peacock seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and none opposed.*

#### ***Recognition of Outgoing Council Members Chris Fowler and Ken Peacock***

***Oath of Office Administered to council Members-Elect Mike Brannon, Mike Ernst, and Melinda Szeliga (Administered by Town Clerk, Cindy Poe)***

***BRIEF RECESS***

#### ***Seating of New Town Council***

#### **Adoption of the Agenda**

*Council Member Mike Ernst made a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Heather Coleman seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and none opposed.*

**Public Comments** – None

#### **Appointing of Mayor Pro Tempore**

Pursuant to NC General Statute 160A-70: “At the organizational meeting, the council shall elect from among its members a mayor pro tempore to serve at the pleasure of the council. A council member serving as mayor pro tempore shall be entitled to vote on all matters and shall be considered a council member for all purposes, including the determination of whether a quorum is present. During the absence of the mayor, the council may confer upon the mayor pro tempore any of the powers and duties of the mayor.”

*Council Member Heather Coleman made a motion to appoint Mike Ernst as Mayor Pro Tempore. Council Member Mike Brannon seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and none opposed.*

### **Proposed 2022 Council Meetings Schedule**

The proposed schedule keeps the Town Council meetings on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm, and the Council Agenda meetings on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 9:00 am.

*Council Member Mike Brannon made a motion to adopt the proposed Council Meeting schedule with the change of moving November 22 Agenda Meeting to November 29. Council Member Heather Coleman seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and none opposed.*

### **R2021003: Resolution Supporting a Request the Winston-Salem Metropolitan Planning Organization for Additional Federal Funds for the TIP Project EB-5958 Blue Heron Trail**

Due to the lowest responsible, responsive bid coming in higher than the engineer's estimate, the Town will need to ask the Transportation Advisory Committee of the Winston-Salem Metropolitan Planning Organization for additional federal funds in the amount of \$1,283,195.46 to be included with the already approved amount of \$1,671,200.00 for total federal funds of \$2,954,395.46, which requires a revised Town local match of \$738,598.87.

*Council Member Mike Ernst made a motion to adopt the resolution as presented. Council Member Melinda Szeliga seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and none opposed.*

### **Town Manager/Council/Mayor Comments**

*Lee Rollins – Thanked the Council for adopting the resolution regarding the Blue Heron Trail. American Rescue Act funds could hopefully help with the cost. Thanked the Council for their willingness to serve.*

*Mike Ernst – Feels that the Blue Heron Trail resolution is very important and that the trail will be an asset for recreation and growth for the Town. Appreciates the outgoing Council Members, Ken Peacock and Chris Fowler. Welcomed the new Council Members and thanked all Town Hall Staff. Heather Coleman – Welcomed the new Council Members, stating she looks forward to working with them. Blakley did a great job with tree planting along Ivy Circle/158.*

*Melinda Szeliga – Delighted to be part of the Town Council; values what residents bring to the meetings. Christmas in Bermuda Run was an incredible event. Inspired by her community and ready to serve.*

*Mike Brannon – Honored and excited to be part of the board. Thanked everyone for their support.*

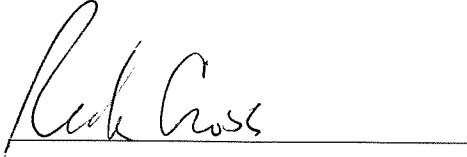
### **Mayor Rick Cross**

- *Shared that the PTRC is one of 60 finalists nationally for the "Build Back Better" Next Generation Manufacturing (\$500,000.00 to further develop plan) – Huge for Davie Co.*
- *Welcomed new Council Members*
- *Christmas in Bermuda Run was a very exciting event; kicked off with the Davie Medical Center Tree Lighting – Added that the "Tree-O" (Christy Schafer, Rosanne Peacock, and Sharon Reid) deserve a lot of credit for all of their hard work.*
- *Thanked Advance Fire Dept. Chief Rodney Miller for organizing the Advance Parade*
- *Nellie Stevens Hollies along 158/Ivy Circle look great/Blakely did an awesome job*
- *Comprehensive Plan Update 2022*
- *Covid Update*
- *Thanked all First Responders; Everyone in attendance*
- *Speaker Series for 2021 was informative; looking into speakers for 2022*

**Adjourn**

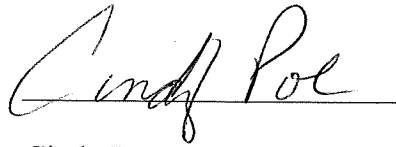
*With no further business to discuss, Council Member Melinda Szeliga made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Mike Brannon seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor and none opposed.*

Approved

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Rick Cross, Mayor

Respectfully Submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cindy Poe". The signature is written over a solid horizontal line.

Cindy Poe, Town Clerk