



**WESTERN UNION MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 2021 4:00 P.M.
WEDDINGTON TOWN HALL
Minutes**

1. Open the Meeting and Determination of Quorum

Vice Chair Fuller called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m. Quorum was determined with Vice Chair Amanda Fuller, Alternate Delegate Anne Pruitt, Delegate Rick Becker and Delegate Joe Pollino present. Stallings Delegate was absent. Marvin Alternate Delegate Andy Wortman was present.

Visitors: Jim Vivian, Craig Horn

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion: Delegate Pollino made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented.

Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

3. Approve November 18, 2021 meeting minutes

Motion: Alternate Delegate Pruitt made a motion to approve the November 18, 2021 meeting minutes

Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

4. Public Comments

Frank Capella, Wesley Chapel resident. Mr. Capella stated his appreciation for the WUMA. He talked about proposed high-density developments in the area. He asked that the municipalities continue to work together and support each other as more of the high-density projects come through.

5. Delegate and Municipality Reports

Weddington held their Council retreat on Tuesday 1/25. Staff and Council are excited about working together and getting things done.

Marvin will be holding their Council retreat on February 18th. They have added an additional council seat and they will go to 6 seats eventually. The Council has approved the heritage

district. Marvin Day will be held May 21st. Marvin is set to host next month's WUMA meeting and it may be in new town hall or in Banks Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall.

Mineral Springs is working with Benchmark on a rewrite of the comprehensive plan and looking at how to apply for 2022 DA funds.

Wesley Chapel hired a part-time park employee in December. They held a successful Christmas event. They are also working on their comprehensive plan.

6. Old Business

a. Continued Updated Discussion of American Rescue Plan Funding

Final guidance has been updated and released. Municipalities receiving up to 10 million dollars, can allocate funds to general government services. Delegates discussed different options for spending: Technology to hold the meetings, water/sewer infrastructure.

b. Continued Updated Discussion Cell Phone Towers/Marvin

Delegate Pollino reported that the County unanimously denied cell tower application near the municipal limits of Marvin. Mr. Pollino will check for cell tower ordinances and send a sample out.

c. ETJ Continued Discussion

Alternative Delegate Pruitt asked for 3 volunteers to act as points of contact for the County Planning Board and Board of County Commissioners. Alternative Delegate Andy Wortman, Chair Jeff Perryman, and possibly Alternative Delegate Jerry Countryman will serve.

Ms. Pruitt asked that delegates bring a wishlist from their councils before the February meeting regarding what the municipality wants from ETJ or bring a list of question about ETJ. Jim Joyce from the UNC School of Government will be coming to speak with WUMA about ETJ rules and implementation and to give additional insight.

d. Officers for WUMA

Jeff Perryman is willing to continue serving as the Chair of the Alliance and Amanda Fuller is willing to remain the Vice Chair.

Motion: Vice Chair Fuller made a motion to keep the incumbents in the current Chair and Vice Chair positions

Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Delegates and Alternative will remain the same, with the possibility that Stallings may change.

7. New Business

No new business. Vice Chair Fuller stated that the Park Place Resolutions were sent to the County. Bjorn Hansen, the County Transportation Planner, was at a Wesley Chapel steering committee meeting and discussed the county meeting to discuss development transition zones and developers doing traffic studies..

8. Delegate Comments

Delegate Pollino thanked Mr. Capella for attending the meeting and supporting WUMA and he gave a shout out to the new Mayor of Weddington and thanked Mr. Horn for coming to the meeting.

9. Adjournment

Motion: Delegate Rick Becker made a motion to adjourn the January 27, 2022 WUMA meeting at 5:00 p.m.