



**WESTERN UNION MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 2022, 4:00 P.M.
WEDDINGTON TOWN HALL
1924 WEDDINGTON ROAD
WEDDINGTON, NC
MINUTES**

1. Open the Meeting and Determination of Quorum

Chairman Perryman called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

Present: Chairman Perryman (Weddington Delegate), Vice-Chair Fuller (Wesley Chapel), Joe Pollino (Marvin Delegate), Andy Wortman (Marvin Alternate), Rick Becker (Mineral Springs Delegate), Steven Ayers (Stallings Delegate)

Staff: Austin Yow, Clerk, Village of Marvin; Karen Dewey, Administrator/Clerk Town of Weddington

Visitor: Justin Thomas, Union County Planning Board and Candidate for Union County Board of Commissioners

2. Adoption of the Agenda

- Remove Item #6 Extra Territorial Jurisdiction Presentation from Jim Joyce, UNC School of Government

Chairman Perryman explained that due to a family emergency, Jim Joyce had to postpone his presentation to the April WUMA meeting.

Motion: Delegate Steven Ayers made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended.

Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

3. Approval of February 24, 2022, Meeting Minutes

Motion: Vice Chair Fuller made a motion to approve the February 24, 2022, meeting minutes as presented.

Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

4. Public Comments

Jonathon Thomas, candidate for the Union County Board of Commissioners, reminded all present of the May 17th primary and that early voting begins on April 28th.

4. Delegate and Municipality Reports

Wesley Chapel: On April 9 from 10 to 12 noon, Wesley Chapel will be holding an Easter event with Southbrook Church at Dogwood Park. In May, Southbrook will be using the park for the 2022 Global 6K for water. The park dam has been labeled as high hazard; Wesley Chapel will be putting out an RFQ for dam mitigation. They are amending ordinances to remove a lot of the quasi-judicial processes from their land use ordinances. They are currently dealing with senior housing development that promised zero lot lines that are not approved on the plats.

Stallings: The Town is gearing up for the budget process and it's expected to be difficult. With the changes in ARP fund uses, Stalling will be using those to pay for staff salaries and police salaries for the next 2 years and that will free up funds to put toward the general fund. There was a bank robbery yesterday, half the town was without power last week because of the transformer fire, and there was an ATF raid. The Blair Mill Community is adding townhomes to the original project. It is not supported under the ordinance, but with the circumstances of the project, it fits.

Weddington: Council received their audit report in February. With the county revaluation, town lowered the tax rate, but not revenue neutral. A conditional rezoning application for a project across the street from town hall has been dominating conversation since January. There is a lot of information being spread around that is not accurate. The 2018 survey the town conducted shows the businesses being planned in this development were all things survey respondents wanted. The public hearing for the project was continued to the April Town Council meeting and a larger venue is being considered.

Marvin: The Village has started the budget process. Closing some of the donut holes would give Marvin a 30% increase in taxes. Solid waste collection is starting April 1st. Councilmembers and staff had the first walk-through of the new Village Hall. Marvin Day is May 21st. There will be a car show, 5K race, blood drive, art show, Ryan Perry concert, and fireworks. Jones Homes has made a pitch for a residential development in the Heritage District.

Mineral Springs: Demolition on buildings that have been an eyesore for many years began yesterday. Sewer hook up is holding up development of 1-acre commercial development.

~~5. Extra Territorial Jurisdiction Presentation from Jim Joyce, UNC School of Government~~

5. Old Business

No Old Business to discuss.

6. New Business

a) Discussion of Adding Quarterly CRTPO Report on the Regular Agenda

Chairman Perryman asked delegates to consider creating a Wester Union Transportation Committee to meet once a quarter to focus on transportation needs, exchange ideas, and make a united front on requests.

Delegates agreed that a united front on transportation issues was beneficial. Vice Chair Fuller suggested adding Transportation to the WUMA agenda every quarter.

Mr. Becker pointed out that Union County holds a quarterly planning meeting with the municipalities that includes discussion of transportation issues.

Delegate discussed designating the May meeting in Mineral Springs as transportation focused and inviting CRTPO representatives and TCC representatives to discuss better coordination in getting issues solved.

7. Delegate Comments

Chairman Perryman thanked everybody for coming and reminded the delegates that the April 28th meeting would be in Wesley Chapel.

8. Adjournment

Motion: Steven Ayers made a motion to adjourn the March 24, 2022, WUMA meeting at 5:16 p.m.

Vote: The motion passed with a unanimous vote.