

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE REIDSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
HELD TUESDAY, JULY 10, 2018 AT 6:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL**

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor John M. “Jay” Donecker
Mayor Pro Tem Harry L. Brown
Councilmember Terresia Scoble
Councilman James K. Festerman
Councilman Donald L. Gorham
Councilman William Hairston
Councilwoman Sherri G. Walker

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Preston W. Mitchell, City Manager
Angela G. Stadler, CMC, City Clerk
William F. McLeod, City Attorney
Chris Phillips, Assistant City Manager
of Administration/Finance Director
Robert Hassell, Police Chief
Chuck Smith, Public Works Director
Jeff Garstka, Economic Development
Director
Donna Setliff, Community
Development Manager

Mayor Donecker called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION.

Rev. Ryan Burris, Pastor of Baptist Temple, 729 Wentworth Street, Reidsville, provided the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Council members led those present in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATIONS & RECOGNITIONS:

RECOGNITION OF FORMER DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES TERRI STAMEY RIVERS, WHO RETIRED JUNE 1, 2018 WITH 36 YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE CITY.

Mayor Donecker asked former Human Resources Director Terri Rivers to come forward while he read a proclamation recognizing her retirement after 36 years with the City. (A COPY OF THE PROCLAMATION IS HEREIN INCORPORATED AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.) Rivers expressed her appreciation to the citizens of

Reidsville, and each City Council and Administration she had worked for over the years who gave a young graduate from Appalachian State the opportunity to learn because she “didn’t know what she didn’t know then”. She thanked her fellow employees of Reidsville, specifically pointing to her longtime friend and colleague Carolyn Nimmons, who was present at the meeting and had worked with her for many years in Human Resources. She also thanked her family, including husband Steve and nephew Michael, who were on hand for the presentation. Mayor Donecker also gave Rivers a “small token” from the City, an engraved watch given to those employees with 30-plus years of service. Several Council members made remarks, thanking Rivers for her service to the City and those who had worked for the City thanked her for helping them with personnel issues.

RECOGNITION OF REIDSVILLE LUCKIES 10 AND UNDER BASEBALL TEAM.

Mayor Donecker asked the team members present and the coaches to come forward as he read the proclamation recognizing the team’s win of the Super State AAU Championship. (A COPY OF THE PROCLAMATION IS HEREIN INCORPORATED AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.) Coach David Taylor talked of how proud he was of the team, adding that they only struck out three times in five games. He thanked the City for its support as well as Scott Strader and Ritchie Pegram, co-owners of the Reidsville Luckies Batting Academy. The Coach noted he drives 45 minutes to get to Reidsville to play and practice and that some team members drive over an hour to get here. The team, the coaches, wearing “Team Reidsville” shirts, and City Council, wearing Luckies hats, posed for a picture after the recognition.

RECOGNITION OF REIDSVILLE LUCKIES 8 AND UNDER COACH PITCH BASEBALL TEAM.

Mayor Donecker asked those Luckies team members age 8 and under present and their coaches to come forward as he read the proclamation honoring the team for being named the No. 1 team in the Nation by the USSSA in their age group. (A COPY OF THE PROCLAMATION IS HEREIN INCORPORATED AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.) Coach Hal Young expressed appreciation for the support from the community, from the Luckies Batting Academy and, most of all, from the parents. Scott Strader, co-owner of Luckies Batting Academy, talked of his love for this town and the support he personally had received from many of those on the Council. He said he was proud that these kids were able to do something they loved to do. He thanked the City, including the Mayor, Council and City Manager Preston Mitchell, for their support of the Luckies Batting Academy. The team posed for a picture with Council.

RECOGNITION OF PARTICIPANTS FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT’S 2018 JUNIOR POLICE ACADEMY.

Mayor Donecker asked Police Chief Robert Hassell and members of the Police Department to come forward while honoring those students who had participated in the Junior Police Academy program. Sgt. Jamie Bayne talked about the program itself. Chief Hassell reported how enthusiastic those participants have been and how well the

program has been implemented by those officers involved. The graduates then posed for a photo with Council members.

Council then continued on with the agenda.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA.

Councilwoman Walker made the motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brown and unanimously approved by Council in a 7-0 vote, to approve the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 12, 2018 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES.

With the approval of the Consent Agenda in a 7-0 vote, the Council approved the June 12, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION STATING THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF REIDSVILLE TO ANNEX PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY WHICH IS NOT CONTIGUOUS TO THE EXISTING MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES FOR 41.33 ACRES ADJACENT TO LAKE REIDSVILLE WITH THE PUBLIC HEARING PLANNED FOR AUGUST 14, 2018 (A18-02).

With the approval of the Consent Agenda in a 7-0 vote, the Council approved a Resolution Stating the Intent of the City of Reidsville to Annex Property Owned by the City, Which is not Contiguous to the Existing Municipal Boundaries. The public hearing for this request, which involves 41.33 acres adjacent to Lake Reidsville, will be held August 14.

The Resolution as approved follows:

A18-02

**RESOLUTION STATING THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF REIDSVILLE TO ANNEX PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY WHICH IS NOT CONTIGUOUS TO THE EXISTING MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES
(Parcel #148366 & #148371)
At Lake Reidsville**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Reidsville that:

Section 1. It is the intent of the Reidsville City Council, pursuant to G.S. 160A-58.7, to annex the property described in Section 2, which is owned by the City of Reidsville.

Section 2. The legal description of the property is as follows:

Lying and being located in Reidsville Township, Rockingham County, North Carolina.

Beginning at a point approximately 0.55 miles south of Waterworks Road and more specifically, a 20 inch hickory tree, a common corner with formerly David T. Troxler, now Thomas A. Gammon, et al. (see plat book 14, page 2) and Fred E. Jones, now Winfred J. Cole (deed book 786, page 389) and further, said beginning point being a common corner of lots 15 and 14 as shown on plat book 20, page 49 of the Fred E. Jones Estate Subdivision; thence with the line of lot 14, N 70°09'25" E 208.90 feet to a point in the western right-of way of a proposed private road as shown on the plat, thence with said western right-of-way the following courses and distances: S 14°58'30" W 321.94 feet to a point, corner of lots 15 and 16, S 25°41'10" W 265.29 feet to a point, corner lots 16 and 17, S 12°31'50" W 148.44 feet to a point in the north right-of-way of a proposed street, corner of lot 17; thence continuing S 12°31'50" W 60 feet to a point, the corner of lot 23, thence continuing S 12°31'50" W 95.21 feet to a point in the east line of lot 23; thence S 10°49'40" E 111.00 feet to a point on a cul-de-sac; thence along the arc of a curve left 92.73 feet plus or minus to a point, said arc having a chord of S 18°49'40"W 80 feet plus or minus, said point being a corner of lots 23 and 24; thence with the line of lot 24, S 82°59'40" W 133.12 feet to a capped iron, a corner with Lake Reidsville; thence with the Lake Reidsville property lines the following courses and distances: N 13°09'40" W 355.78 feet to an iron in the south right-of-way of the aforementioned street; corner of lots 22 and 23, S 02°18'30" W 340.07 feet to an iron, S 25°28'40" W 709.30 feet to an iron, N 73°29' W 368.69 feet to an iron, N 02°58'50" E 499.90 feet to a point, thence N 09°03'20" E 261.18 feet to an iron, a corner of lots 21 and 22; S 71°39'W 522.83 feet to an iron, N 21°43'30" W 398.18 feet to an iron, N 82°29' E 234.55 feet to an iron, corner with lots 20 and 21, N 53°58'30" W 130.38 feet to a point, N 14°36'18" E 431.51 feet to a point, N 28°07'50" E plus or minus 340.48 feet to a point, corner of lots 19 and 20, N 80°55'50" E 258.67 feet to an iron, corner with Thomas Gammon et al. (deed book 1247, page 1654); thence with the Gammon line S 69°17'40" E 946.81 feet to a hickory tree, the point and place of beginning and being lots 15,16,17,18,19,20,21,22, and 23 as per plat book 20, page 49, containing 41.33 acres more or less, as deeded to the City of Reidsville in deed book 1535, page 2946, and the referenced plat being incorporated herewith for a more accurate and complete description.

Section 3. The property described in Section 2 is not contiguous to the current municipal boundaries but will meet the requirements of G.S. 160A-58.1(b).

Section 4. A public hearing on the question of annexation of the area described herein will be held at Reidsville City Hall, 230 W. Morehead Street, at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 14, 2018.

Section 5. Notice of the public hearing shall be published once in the Reidsville Review, a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Reidsville, at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the public hearing.

This the 10th day of July, 2018.

/s/ _____
John M. "Jay" Donecker
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ _____
Angela G. Stadler, CMC/NCCMC, City Clerk

CONSENT AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION STATING THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF REIDSVILLE TO ANNEX PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY WHICH IS NOT CONTIGUOUS TO THE EXISTING MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES FOR 5.14 ACRES ADJACENT TO LAKE REIDSVILLE WITH THE PUBLIC HEARING PLANNED FOR AUGUST 14, 2018 (A18-03).

With the approval of the Consent Agenda in a 7-0 vote, the Council approved a Resolution Stating the Intent of the City of Reidsville to Annex Property Owned by the City, Which is not Contiguous to the Existing Municipal Boundaries. The public hearing for this request, which involves 5.14 acres adjacent to Lake Reidsville, will be held August 14.

The Resolution as approved follows:

A18-03

**RESOLUTION STATING THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF REIDSVILLE TO ANNEX PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY WHICH IS NOT CONTIGUOUS TO THE EXISTING MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES
(Parcel #148426)
At Lake Reidsville**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Reidsville that:

Section 1. It is the intent of the Reidsville City Council, pursuant to G.S. 160A-58.7, to annex the property described in Section 2, which is owned by the City of Reidsville.

Section 2. The legal description of the property is as follows:

Lying and being located in Reidsville Township, Rockingham County, North Carolina.

Beginning at an existing iron with a disc cap in the Lake Reidsville property line, said iron also being a common corner for lots 29, 30, and 36 of the Fred E. Jones Estate Subdivision as shown and recorded in plat book 20, page 49 of the Rockingham County Registry; thence from said beginning point, with the said Lake line, N 54° 55' E 316.52 feet to an existing iron in the head of a cove; thence continuing with the Lake line the following courses and distances: S 11°38'30" W 529.67 feet to an iron, S 22°08' W 288.99 feet to a capped iron, S 33°58' W 230.83 feet to a capped iron, S 36°21'30" E 177.28 feet to a capped iron, N 52°53'20" E 168.89 feet to a capped iron, a corner with Roy C. Bell Heirs; thence with Bell Heirs in part, and Keith A. and Dawn L. Milton in part (deed book 1291 page 1678 and deed book 1500 page 2527), N 07°17'20" E 1183.96 feet to an iron, corner of lot 37; thence, N 85°22' W 193.97 feet to a point in a proposed street cul-de-sac; thence with the arc of the cul-de-sac having a 50 foot radius, 157.58 feet plus or minus, said arc having a chord of N 56°37'12" W 100.00 feet to an iron and common corner of lot 35 and 36; thence with the common line of lots 35 and 36, S 70°02'40" W 262.62 feet to a point in the line of lot 30; thence with the common line of lots 30 and 36, S 34°34'35" E 387.64 feet to a capped iron in the line of Lake Reidsville, the point and place of beginning, and being in fact lot 36 of the above referenced plat, containing 5.144 acres, more or less. The referenced plat is incorporated herewith for a more accurate and complete description. The above described property being deeded to the City of Reidsville in deed book 1535, page 2946 of the County Registry.

Section 3. The property described in Section 2 is not contiguous to the current municipal boundaries but will meet the requirements of G.S. 160A-58.1(b).

Section 4. A public hearing on the question of annexation of the area described herein will be held at Reidsville City Hall, 230 W. Morehead Street, at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 14, 2018.

Section 5. Notice of the public hearing shall be published once in the Reidsville Review, a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Reidsville, at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the public hearing.

This the 10th day of July, 2018.

/s/ _____
John M. "Jay" Donecker
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ _____
Angela G. Stadler, CMC/NCCMC, City Clerk

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – APPROVAL OF CODE OF ORDINANCES
AMENDMENTS PERTAINING TO OUTSIDE-CITY POSITIONS ON THE
APPEARANCE COMMISSION, HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION AND
PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION.**

With the approval of the Consent Agenda in a 7-0 vote, the following Code of Ordinance Amendments were approved as noted in City Clerk Angela Stadler's memo dated July 2, 2018. (A COPY OF THE MEMO IS HEREIN INCORPORATED AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.)

The three Ordinance Amendments as approved follow:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15, PLANNING
AND DEVELOPMENT, ARTICLE III. REIDSVILLE
APPEARANCE COMMISSION, OF THE REIDSVILLE
CODE OF ORDINANCES**

BE IT ORDAINED:

That Article III, Reidsville Appearance Commission, Sec. 15-41, Members, of the Reidsville Code of Ordinances is rewritten as follows:

Sec. 15-41. Members.

Membership on the Appearance Commission shall be limited primarily to city residents but City Council may appoint up to two (2) members who reside within Rockingham County no further than three miles from the primary Reidsville City limits. All members shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years.

This the 10th day of July, 2018.

/s/ _____
John M. "Jay" Donecker
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ _____
Angela G. Stadler, CMC/NCCMC
City Clerk

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 9.5, HUMAN
RELATIONS COMMISSION, OF THE REIDSVILLE CODE
OF ORDINANCES**

BE IT ORDAINED:

That Section Sec. 9.5-2, Membership appointments; terms of office; vacancies; compensation of the Reidsville Code of Ordinances is rewritten as follows:

Sec. 9.5-2. Membership appointments; terms of office; vacancies; compensation.

(a) The 11-member human relations commission should be composed of seven (7) residents of the city who shall be appointed by the city council. In addition, the city council *may appoint up to two (2) members who reside within Rockingham County no further than three miles from the primary Reidsville City limits* and two (2) members who shall be students of a high school located in Rockingham County.

This the 10th day of July, 2018.

/s/ _____
John M. "Jay" Donecker
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ _____
Angela G. Stadler, CMC/NCCMC
City Clerk

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 12, PARKS AND
RECREATION, ARTICLE II. PARKS AND RECREATION
ADVISORY COMMISSION, OF THE REIDSVILLE CODE
OF ORDINANCES**

BE IT ORDAINED:

That Article II, Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission, Sec. 12-21, Membership appointments; terms of office; vacancies; compensation, (f), of the Reidsville Code of Ordinances is rewritten as follows:

Sec. 12-21. Membership.

(f) Membership on the parks and recreation advisory commission shall be limited primarily to city residents *but City Council may appoint up to two (2) members who reside within Rockingham County no further than three miles from the primary Reidsville City limits.*

This the 10th day of July, 2018.

/s/ _____
John M. "Jay" Donecker
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ _____
Angela G. Stadler, CMC/NCCMC
City Clerk

- End of Consent Agenda -

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

CONSIDERATION OF A TEXT AMENDMENT TO ALLOW ART STUDIO, ART GALLERY AND MUSEUMS AS PERMITTED USES IN LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS AS REQUESTED BY MIKE HULL. STAFF ALSO IS ASKING TO ADD THEM AS ALLOWED USES IN GENERAL BUSINESS AND HIGHWAY BUSINESS DISTRICTS. (T 2018-2)

In making the staff report, Community Development Manager Donna Setliff explained that Mike Hull had filed a text amendment requesting “art studio, art gallery and museums” be added as a permitted use in the Light Industrial District zoning. He had requested it be added with no development standards. Currently this classification is permitted only in Central Business District, Setliff noted. However, she said the City, in considering possible reuses of older buildings, believes these are viable uses and will be a great asset and economic benefit. Staff supports this text amendment but would ask that it be expanded to allow the uses in General Business and Highway Business zoning districts as well. Setliff said it is logical that these uses would be compatible with these districts.

Setliff added that the Planning Board considered the request with a majority of the Board supporting the amendment. The favorable motion passed with three for and one against, but the dissenting member did not indicate why they had voted against the motion, she said.

With no questions from Council, Mayor Donecker opened the public hearing at 6:27 p.m., by asking if anyone wished to speak for or against the proposed text amendment. No one spoke, and the public hearing was closed at 6:28 p.m.

Councilman Gorham then made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Walker and unanimously approved by Council in a 7-0 vote, to approve the text amendment.

The text amendment as approved follows:

Amendment T 2018-2

AMENDING THE CITY OF REIDSVILLE ZONING ORDINANCE

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
ARTICLE V, DISTRICT REGULATIONS
SECTION 2, TABLE OF PERMITTED USES
OF THE CITY OF REIDSVILLE ZONING ORDINANCE**

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Reidsville, North Carolina, that the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Reidsville be amended as follows:

Part I. That Article V, Section 2, Table of Permitted Uses be amended to insert art studio, art gallery and museums as a permitted use in General Business, Highway Business and Light Industrial.

Part II. This Ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption by the City Council of the City of Reidsville, North Carolina

ADOPTED this the _____ day of _____, 2018 by the City Council of the City of Reidsville, North Carolina.

/s/ _____
JOHN M. "JAY" DONECKER, MAYOR, REIDSVILLE, N.C.

/s/ _____
Angela G. Stadler, City Clerk

CONSIDERATION OF A TEXT AMENDMENT TO ALLOW COFFEE SHOPS AS A PERMITTED USE IN LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS AS REQUESTED BY MIKE HULL. STAFF ALSO IS ASKING TO ADD AS AN ALLOWED USE IN GENERAL BUSINESS AND HIGHWAY BUSINESS DISTRICTS. (T 2018-3)

In making the staff report, Community Development Manager Donna Setliff explained that Mike Hull had filed a text amendment requesting "coffee shop" be added as a permitted use in the Light Industrial District zoning. He had requested it be added with no development standards. Currently this classification is permitted only in Central Business District, Setliff noted. However, she said the City, in considering possible reuses of older buildings, believes these are viable uses and a great asset and economic benefit. Staff supports this text amendment but would ask that it be expanded to allow the uses in General Business and Highway Business zoning districts as well, she said.

Setliff added that the Planning Board considered the request and unanimously recommended the use be inserted as a permitted use in Light Industrial, General and Highway Business.

With no questions from Council, Mayor Donecker opened the public hearing at 6:29 p.m., asking if anyone wished to speak for or against the proposed text amendment. No one spoke, and the public hearing was closed at 6:30 p.m.

Councilman Hairston then made the motion, seconded by Councilman Gorham and unanimously approved by Council in a 7-0 vote, to approve the text amendment.

The text amendment as approved follows:

Amendment T 2018-3

AMENDING THE CITY OF REIDSVILLE ZONING ORDINANCE

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
ARTICLE V, DISTRICT REGULATIONS
SECTION 2, TABLE OF PERMITTED USES
OF THE CITY OF REIDSVILLE ZONING ORDINANCE**

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Reidsville, North Carolina, that the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Reidsville be amended as follows:

Part I. That Article V, Section 2, Table of Permitted Uses be amended to insert coffee shop as a permitted use in General Business, Highway Business and Light Industrial.

Part II. This Ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption by the City Council of the City of Reidsville, North Carolina

ADOPTED this the _____ day of _____, 2018 by the City Council of the City of Reidsville, North Carolina.

/s/ _____
JOHN M. "JAY" DONECKER, MAYOR, REIDSVILLE, N.C.

/s/ _____
Angela G. Stadler, City Clerk

**CONSIDERATION OF A TEXT AMENDMENT TO ALLOW EXHIBIT
CENTER/EVENT CENTER, NOT INCLUDING RECREATIONAL TYPE
EVENTS OR SPECTATOR SPORTS EVENTS, AS PERMITTED USES IN**

LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS AS REQUESTED BY MIKE HULL. STAFF ALSO IS ASKING TO ADD THEM AS ALLOWED USES IN GENERAL BUSINESS (T 2018-4).

In making the staff report, Community Development Manager Donna Setliff explained that Mike Hull had filed a text amendment requesting “exhibit center/event center, not including recreational type events or spectator sport events” be added as a permitted use in the Light Industrial District zoning. Again, he requested it be added with no development standards. Currently the Zoning Ordinance permits this use in Central Business and Highway Business Districts, Setliff noted. However, she said the City, in considering possible reuses of older buildings, believes these are viable uses and will be a great asset and economic benefit. Staff supports this text amendment but would ask that it be expanded to allow the use in General Business with Setliff noting it is a compatible use in GB.

Setliff added that the Planning Board unanimously recommended the use be included as a permitted use in Light Industrial and General Business.

With no questions from Council, Mayor Donecker opened the public hearing at 6:31 p.m., asking if anyone wished to speak for or against the proposed text amendment. No one spoke, and the public hearing was closed at 6:32 p.m.

Councilman Festerman then made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Scoble and unanimously approved by Council in a 7-0 vote, to accept the recommendation of Planning Board and approve the text amendment.

The text amendment as approved follows:

Amendment T 2018-4

AMENDING THE CITY OF REIDSVILLE ZONING ORDINANCE

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
ARTICLE V, DISTRICT REGULATIONS
SECTION 2, TABLE OF PERMITTED USES
OF THE CITY OF REIDSVILLE ZONING ORDINANCE**

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Reidsville, North Carolina, that the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Reidsville be amended as follows:

Part I. That Article V, Section 2, Table of Permitted Uses be amended to insert exhibit center/event center, not including recreational type events or spectator sport events as a permitted use in General Business and Light Industrial.

Part II. This Ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption by the City Council of the City of Reidsville, North Carolina

ADOPTED this the _____ day of _____, 2018 by the City Council of the City of Reidsville, North Carolina.

/s/ _____
JOHN M. "JAY" DONECKER, MAYOR, REIDSVILLE, N.C.

/s/ _____
Angela G. Stadler, City Clerk

- End of Public Hearings -

CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION COMMITTING MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE RURAL READYSITES GRANT.

In making the staff report, Economic Development Director Jeff Garstka explained that earlier this year Governor Cooper announced the awarding of grant monies to provide funds for infrastructure development to potential industrial sites based on certain application criteria. Garstka stated the total amount released from the State is \$12 million. He said Reidsville had received a grant for a water and sewer line extension from Diesel Drive to Drum Road. Garstka said the total cost of the project is estimated at \$1,510,000 of which the State will pay 75% (\$1,132,500) and the remaining 25% is to be covered in a local match.

Garstka said he is asking the Council to consider a joint resolution with Rockingham County Commissioners to fund the 25% match, which is \$188,750 each from Reidsville and Rockingham County for a total of \$377,500. He explained the water/sewer extension will open the remaining 130+ acres to recruit new industry or market to local expanding industries. The County Commissioners will consider the joint resolution at their August 6th meeting.

The Economic Development Director noted that the State received \$50 million in requests for the \$12 million made available so we were lucky to be able to get this grant.

Garstka added that the City tried to get the 25% match waived by the NC Department of Commerce but was informed that could not be done according to statutes. The match is waived for Tier 1 communities but we are now a Tier 2 community. Mayor Donecker noted we are "a victim of our own success".

Councilman Festerman congratulated Garstka and the City Manager for being very proactive and going after these monies. Mayor Donecker asked if this would help us loop the water lines so that we don't have to do the flushing? Manager Mitchell said it will help loop the former horse park area, but it won't solve the flushing problem. We will still need to look at the Drum Road connection, but it will definitely improve what is already there, the Manager said. The next phase would be a connection from Drum Road

either over or under US 29, the Manager noted. Councilman Festerman asked for clarification on this, which the City Manager said the options are to either bore under the road or, with NCDOT's permission, to attach to the sides of the bridge. The Councilman asked what would be our preference? Manager Mitchell said it would be the most economical solution which would be to attach to the sides of the bridge, but he said he was not sure that would be NCDOT's preference.

Councilman Gorham then made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Walker and unanimously approved by Council in a 7-0 vote, to consider approval of the joint resolution.

Mayor Donecker said the next step would be to let the County know about the approval of this resolution so that the County could put it on their agenda. Garstka agreed, noting that they had not been told what would be the next step after the passage by both the City and County. He said this project has already been engineered by WithersRavenel, which also helped us to get the grant.

The Resolution as approved follows:



**JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND
THE REIDSVILLE CITY COUNCIL**

**APPLICATION FOR N.C. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE'S RURAL
INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDS
THROUGH RURAL READYSITES PROGRAM
FOR "WATER AND SEWER EXTENSION"**

BE IT RESOLVED, that a grant from the Department of Commerce through the County of Rockingham be made to assist the former horse park site water and sewer line extension project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Rockingham County wishes that the City of Reidsville pursue a formal application to benefit the former horse park site and the units of government will invest monies in the amount of \$188,750 each, which is one half (1/2) of the required \$377,500 (25% match), that along with the 75% grant amount of \$1,132,500 will comprise the \$1,510,000 that will go toward the proposed water and sewer extension as committed to in the application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Reidsville will administer this grant through the City Finance Office, on the behalf of Rockingham County in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Department of Commerce.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the grant will be monitored quarterly to assure compliance with this proposal and the Department of Commerce regulations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total amount of the grant application will be \$1,510,000.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2018.

/s/ _____
KEVIN BERGER, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ _____
CLERK,
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

(SEAL)

/s/ _____
JOHN DONECKER, MAYOR
REIDSVILLE CITY COUNCIL

/s/ _____
ANGELA STADLER, CLERK
REIDSVILLE CITY COUNCIL

(SEAL)

CONSIDERATION OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE ASSET AND INVENTORY ASSESSMENT GRANT.

Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Chris Phillips came forward and briefly reviewed information shared at last month's City Council meeting regarding a Resolution to accept a \$150,000 State Grant from NCDEQ Division of Water Infrastructure. The grant would allow the City to undergo a Wastewater Asset Inventory & Assessment to help prepare an analysis of the City's sewer infrastructure. Phillips said the next step in this process was to issue a Request for Qualifications for engineering and surveying services. In anticipation that the Council would approve, the City Clerk had advertised for the RFQ and the selected engineering firm will get the \$150,000 to do the work. We received bids from two engineering firms, he said. Phillips stated that both firms were qualified but after review by a three-person committee, it was decided by himself, Public Works Director Chuck Smith and City Clerk Angela Stadler to recommend WithersRavenel be awarded the engineering contract with the approval of the City Council.

Councilmember Terresia Scoble asked about the cost. Phillips explained that the firm will get the \$150,000 from the grant. Manager Mitchell noted that there is a local match but it can be done through in-kind services. Phillips added that there is an administration fee as well. Councilmember Scoble asked if the project exceeds the \$150,000, will Phillips be coming back to the Council to approve more funding? The \$150,000 cost covers all of the

five tasks outlined in his memo, Phillips noted. (A COPY OF PHILLIPS' MEMO DATED MAY 30, 2018 IS HEREIN INCORPORATED AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.) City Manager Mitchell also added that this AIA will cover a sector of the City identified to have the largest need for sewer collection improvements.

Councilwoman Walker made the motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brown and unanimously approved by Council in a 7-0 vote, to accept the recommendation of staff and approve WithersRavenel to do the Asset Inventory Assessment.

PRESENTATION BY THE NO PIPELINE ROCKINGHAM COMMITTEE OF GOOD STEWARDS OF ROCKINGHAM.

Lyn Carlisle of the Good Stewards of Rockingham County came forward and distributed information regarding the presentation to members of the City Council, the City Clerk and the City Manager. Ms. Carlisle stated she and 11 members of the No Pipeline Committee came tonight because they care deeply for Rockingham County and the beauty that exists here. She proceeded with the Power Point presentation. (A COPY OF THE POWERPOINT PRESENTATION IS HEREBY INCORPORATED AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.) At the completion of the presentation, Carlisle asked if members of the Council had any questions.

Mayor Donecker indicated that there will be an opportunity during the public comments portion of the meeting for the general public to come forward and address Council. He asked Ms. Carlisle exactly where the pipeline would be located in proximity to Reidsville? Ms. Carlisle said maps can be referenced online. She said it is her understanding that it would be entering Rockingham County at the Virginia State line and would cross US 29 in the eastern part of the County and proceed to Graham. Councilman Festerman asked how many miles of pipeline would cross the County? Carlisle said it would be around 50 miles of pipeline.

Councilman Gorham said he had attended the Mountain Valley Pipeline meeting at the Reidsville Event Center and had asked if it would be running through Reidsville. He said it was very hard to get a straight answer. He said he had asked about the pros and cons of the pipeline and that question also had not been addressed directly. He stressed he is concerned for the safety of his grandchildren and had heard that the type of pipe used for the pipeline was supposed to last a lifetime but one had blown up after only six months.

Councilwoman Walker expressed her appreciation for the research and effort related to the presentation and thanked Ms. Carlisle for enlightening those in attendance. Ms. Carlisle stressed that it appears there will be no benefit from the pipeline to the citizens of Rockingham County and that all the benefit will be for those building the pipeline.

Councilmember Scoble said she had attended the meeting as well and they realized that those presenting were also salesmen so they were only hearing one side of the story. She said they were interested in finding out all aspects and all sides of the situation.

The Mayor noted that the City has mutual aid agreements with those outside the City so there might be the need to respond. He stressed the need to find out exactly where the pipeline is going.

PUBLIC COMMENTS.

All the speakers spoke regarding the proposed Mountain Valley Pipeline.

Mountain Valley Pipeline Discussion.

Lori Thorn of 308 Mark Road in Reidsville came forward, saying she had attended the Mountain Valley Pipeline meeting and that she had several concerns. Ms. Thorn said she asked why the County needs the pipeline and was told they need the gas. She stated that is not true, that last year the US quadrupled the amount of gas exported. She shared numerous concerns while speaking in opposition to the pipeline.

Richard Ratliff of 806 Lawndale Drive, Reidsville, spoke in opposition to the pipeline and shared his concerns on the effect of the pipeline on the water supply. He also said “They are killing you for a dollar”, adding that he has a bad feeling about the whole thing. He stressed they are not asking us, but have already made the decision.

Anne Lane of 536 Park Lane, Reidsville, stated she was adamantly opposed to the pipeline, requesting the City show its progressiveness and sign the resolution against it.

Peter Cowan of 531 Narrow Gauge Road in Reidsville commented that the proposed pipeline would come right through his property. He shared several of his concerns as he spoke in opposition to the pipeline.

Elizabeth Orr of 531 Narrow Gauge Road in Reidsville came forward and stated that, according to the maps, the pipeline would come right through her property. She shared information and maps on her phone with the Mayor and Council members while speaking in opposition to it.

Ann Brady of 3190 NC 65 in Reidsville came forward saying she had attended the recent meeting regarding the pipeline, and she is not in favor of it running through Rockingham County. She provided several statistics related to the environment, including the cutting down of trees and crossing of streams. She stressed the proposed resolution will be very helpful, but there is something else people can do. She encouraged those present to go to the federal government’s website, www.ferc.gov, and put in their comments about the pipeline. Ms. Brady noted that the federal government ultimately decides whether we need this pipeline or not.

Mayor Donecker asked who justifies the need for the pipeline here in Rockingham County, adding that he feels the County is already well served. He questioned if it is the end user? Ms. Brady said she was told at the meeting held at the Event Center that if Alamance County or Caswell County needs the service, the pipeline will have to run through Rockingham County.

David Wells of 261 Jacob Creek Road in Madison came forward and reiterated the construction of the pipeline can affect the community in a very negative way. He said such temporary projects often bring with them prostitution, higher crime, etc. as he spoke in opposition to the pipeline.

Joe Townes of 2003 Richardson Drive, Reidsville came forward and said he had worked for over 50 years constructing pipelines and he had never experienced any of the instances of devastation described in the previous presentation.

Ramona Bankston of 2507 Lemar Drive, Reidsville stepped forward saying she lives in Reidsville but owns property in the County. She expressed her concerns regarding the pipeline and spoke in opposition to its construction. She suggested the more direct route to Graham would be through Caswell County.

Wally White of 314 Von Ruck Road, Eden came forward briefly sharing his concerns about the pipeline and then addressed Council regarding a voter issue. He stated he had recently run for the North Carolina House of Representatives and had lost the election by 46 votes. He said the State is trying to put limits on early voting locations, which could negatively affect voter turnout.

Cathy Fox of 1529 Clovercrest Drive, Reidsville, came forward and expressed her concern for her family's property and the effects the pipeline could have on it.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT.

City Manager Mitchell said the City Attorney is currently working on the disbandment of the Reidsville Community Pool Association. He mentioned he had contacted the YMCA of Greensboro, and it was agreed that the City Attorney could take the lead on this. Manager Mitchell said it may take some time to complete. He then referred to a *Triad Business Journal* article in the Council Members' packets regarding Stephanie Cox, President of Elevated Environmental Corporation, who was featured as a recent "Women in Business" award winner. (A COPY OF THE CITY MANAGER'S REPORT IS HEREIN INCORPORATED AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.) Manager Mitchell reminded Council and those present about the Reside in Reidsville event to be held at Lake Reidsville on Thursday, July 12, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. He stated this event is for people who have recently moved to Reidsville or who are considering moving here. He referenced the July events from the memo and then invited Assistant City Manager Chris Phillips to come forward and introduce the new Human Resources Director Leigh Anne Bassinger. Phillips noted that Leigh Ann comes from the City of High Point, where she had worked for the past 12 years, and he feels she will be a huge asset to our community. Bassinger said she is excited to join the City of Reidsville team and looks forward to moving here.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS.

Mayor Pro Tem Brown – Mayor Pro Tem Brown commented that the citizens of Reidsville appreciate the recent additions to the City's parks. He said he had noticed improvements to at least seven of them. Brown reported since the last the Council

meeting that he had attended the Annie Penn Hospital Advisory Board meeting; the YMCA Board of Director's meeting; the NAACP meeting; and the Wentworth Street Neighborhood Watch meeting.

Councilman Hairston – Councilman Hairston said he had attended the Oak Park Community Watch meeting on June 18; the Kona Ice Ribbon Cutting on June 19; the Human Relations Commission meeting on June 26; the Lake Reidsville Independence Day Celebration on July 3; and the swearing in of new Police Officer Thomas Stafford on July 5.

Councilwoman Walker – Councilwoman Walker welcomed Dee Stanfield back and said she had missed seeing her at the last few meetings. She stated she had attended the ABC Board meeting and the Appearance Commission Board meeting on June 28; the police swearing-in ceremony of Thomas Stafford on July 5; and the County Commissioners meeting on July 9. Councilwoman Walker then posed a question regarding the public comments portion of last month's meeting. She asked if it would not be better to have citizens address the Council before the public hearings. She commented that Council had made other accommodations for the citizens of Reidsville, such as changing the meeting time from afternoons to evenings.

Councilman Gorham – Councilman Gorham said he had attended the Rockingham County Commissioners meeting on June 18; the Rockingham County Board of Elections Board meeting on June 19; the NAACP meeting on June 20; the first "Jam" of the season at Market Square on June 23, which was well attended; the Men's Fellowship meeting on June 26; the MVP Pipeline meeting on June 26; the Lake Reidsville Independence Day celebration on July 3; and the very meaningful swearing-in of his former Lawsonville Avenue School student Thomas Stafford to the Reidsville Police Department.

Councilmember Scoble -- Councilmember Scoble said she had attended the ribbon cutting for Kona Ice at the Reidsville Chamber of Commerce on June 19; the Ribbon Cutting for DM&E Tactical on June 21; Ryan Watts' Town Hall meeting on June 21 at Rockingham County High School; the *Trial by Fire* concert at Market Square on June 23; the meeting regarding the Mountain Valley Pipeline on June 26; the Chamber of Commerce Board meeting on June 27; and the Independence Day Celebration at Lake Reidsville on July 3. Councilmember Scoble said the event was well attended, with bumper to bumper traffic trying to get in.

Councilman Festerman – Councilman Festerman said he had nothing to report but that he would like to ask a question. He said he had noticed that one of the tennis courts had been resurfaced at Jaycee Park and looked good, but he wondered if the other one would be done as well. City Manager Mitchell said it had been decided at the retreat that the City would have one of the tennis courts professionally resurfaced and that the other one would just be temporarily repaired in-house until additional funding is made available.

Mayor Donecker asked if the courts are striped for pickle ball? City Manager Mitchell said not yet but that there is a possibility of adding pickle ball courts to the upper end of Jaycee Park and also a dog park.

Councilman Festerman recognized Pleas McMichael, Chairman of the County Economic Development Commission, who was present in the audience.

Mayor Donecker – Mayor Donecker said he would like to explain the wisdom behind why the Public Comments portion of the meeting is after the public hearings. He stressed the Council feels strongly that the decision was made so that the Council can address issues rationally and after members have had time to think, consider and gather more information. The Mayor stated they should not make hasty decisions just because someone comes in glaring, is emotional and has the loudest voice regarding their opinion about an issue. He said the way the plan is set up is to advertise the public hearing in advance, give people an opportunity to share their point of view and then decide, allowing the Council members to get the facts. The Mayor suggested people download the *Reidsville Connect* app for their phones and share their concerns with the City. He said citizens do not want a Council who makes rash decisions. He commented the pipeline is a good example of members hearing how people feel in advance of making a decision.

Mayor Donecker then asked Diane Sawyer from the Reidsville Chamber of Commerce to give her report. Sawyer said she would like to remind everyone about the “Reside in Reidsville” event taking place on Thursday at Lake Reidsville. She congratulated Carter Bank & Trust on being the Chamber Member of the Month and listed the following events: Leadership Rockingham meeting on July 13; the July Cruise-In on Friday, July 13; Movies on the Square, which will be showing “ELF” on Saturday, July 14; and the Chamber Ice Cream Social on Thursday, July 19, which is open to all Chamber members and their families. Sawyer took a moment to pat Main Street/Market Square Coordinator Missy Matthews on the back regarding the turnout for the recent concert at Market Square. She said the event was great and they were very busy at the beer garden. She ended by encouraging everyone to register to participate in the annual Chamber Golf Tournament on Wednesday, August 15, at Plantation Golf Course.

Councilman Gorham (Continued) – Councilman Gorham said he would like to add one thing regarding the Independence Day event held at Lake Reidsville. He commented that he had forgotten his parking pass and had to pay the \$5 parking fee but that he was not complaining, quite the opposite. He stressed that those working the event were very courteous and kind, giving him the “red carpet treatment” that they would any citizen. He expressed his appreciation for the excellent customer service offered by staff and volunteers working the event. Mayor Donecker agreed and said morale and customer service have improved.

MOVE TO THE FIRST-FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM FOR A CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURSUANT TO NCGS 143-318.11(A)(4).

Councilman Gorham made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Walker and unanimously approved by Council in a 7-0 vote, to go into closed session.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION.

Upon return to open session, Councilman Gorham made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Walker and unanimously approved by Council in a 7-0 vote, to adjourn.

John M. "Jay" Donecker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Angela G. Stadler, CMC/NCCMC, City Clerk