

CITY OF MOUNT HOLLY
MOUNT HOLLY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, August 8, 2022
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
7:00 PM

Call to Order

Mayor Hough called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The following were present:

Mayor Bryan Hough	Miles Braswell, City Manager
Mayor Pro Tem Phyllis Harris	Brian DuPont, Assistant City Manager
Councilman Ivory Craig	Brian Reagan, Police Chief
Councilman Jeff Meadows	Ryan Baker, Fire Chief
Councilman David Moore	Greg Beal, Planning Director
Councilwoman Christina Pawlish	Tony Walker, Streets and Solid Waste Director
Councilwoman Lauren Shoemaker	Jonathan Wilson, Director of Utilities
Marie M. Anders, City Attorney	Mark Jusko, Recreation Supervisor
Kemp Michael, Assistant City Attorney	Michelle Wood, Finance Director

Invocation

Councilman Moore led the Council, staff and attendees in prayer.

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman Meadows led the Council, staff and attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Set the Agenda

With no changes to the agenda, Councilwoman Pawlish made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilwoman Shoemaker seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion Carried)

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Budget Amendment
 - Purchase of 131 East Catawba Avenue
2. Re-Appointment of Gary Neely to the ABC Board
3. Approval of an Interlocal Agreement with NCLM for a Group Self-Insurance Pool for Health Insurance Risk Sharing
4. Approval of an amendment to the lease agreement with Dr. Katherine Peterson
5. Approval of minor changes to the Backflow Cross Connection Control Ordinance (requested by NCDEQ) that includes minor grammatical errors and the addition of one specific type of backflow device to the current ordinance
6. Call for a public hearing to consider amending Section 5.15 Watershed Overlay District of the Zoning Ordinance to allow for density averaging credits as authorized by NC General Statute 143-214.5.
7. Consideration and Approval of a Fee Agreement with outside Council for Code Enforcement Litigation
8. Approval of Minutes of the July 11, 2022 Council Meeting
9. Approval of Minutes of the August 1, 2022 Council Meeting

Mayor Pro Tem Harris made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilman Moore seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion Carried)

PRESENTATIONS

1. Swearing In Ceremony for Chief of Police Brian K. Reagan

At this time, Captain David Sisk came forward and recognized all the past Mount Holly Police Chiefs that came and showed their support for Chief Reagan. Captain Sisk advised that the entire department is looking forward to working with Chief Reagan and is very honored to be working with

someone with the dedication and commitment that Chief Reagan has shown since day 1. Mayor Hough came forward and administered the oath of office. Family and friends were present for the ceremony. Chief Reagan thanked Staff, Mayor and Council for being supportive. He is very excited for the future of Mount Holly and the Police Department.

2. Presentation of a Resolution to Recognizing the Mount Holly 10U Baseball Team for their State Championship

Mayor Hough read the resolution and presented it to the Coaches. The Mayor and Council are very proud of the Mount Holly 10U team and winning the state championship.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Public hearing regarding a proposed text amendment to permit bottle shops to have the option to operate as a private establishment in the B-1 Central Business District made by Jonathan Todd.

Mr. Lowe advised that this text amendment would allow a bottle shop to operate as a private establishment in a B-1 District. Operating as a private establishment would allow Mr. Todd to expand his business and as it relates to the food service industry. The Planning Commission Board approved the recommendation 5-2.

Councilman Meadows made a motion to enter into a public hearing regarding a proposed text amendment to permit bottle shops to have the option to operate as a private establishment in the B-1 Central Business District made by Jonathan Todd. Councilwoman Shoemaker seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion Carried) With no one signed up to speak Councilman Meadows made a motion to come out of the public hearing. Councilwoman Shoemaker seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion Carried)

Councilman Moore asked about the food and health department related issues. Mr. Todd advised that private establishments do not have to be inspected by the health department.

Councilman Meadows made a motion to approve the proposed text amendment to permit bottle shops to have the option to operate as a private establishment in the B-1 Central Business District made by Jonathan Todd. Councilwoman Shoemaker seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

PUBLIC COMMENT – Three (3) Minute Limit

Teraseta Ellerbe, 212 Augustus Lane

Ms. Ellerbe came before the City Council to speak concerning the fire truck situation. She advised that she has seen a Community Fire Department truck around that the city has borrowed. Personally, she thinks it looks bad for a city the size of Mount Holly to have to borrow trucks.

Mayor Hough asked Chief Baker to explain to Ms. Ellerbe during the break why we are using a borrowed truck from Community Fire Department.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Consider and approval of a rezoning application, submitted by Dust Stop Filtration, LLC, for a 7-acre tract of land, located at 1214 W. Catawba Avenue, Parcel ID # 182502, from I-1 Gaston County to LI Light Industrial

Councilman Meadows made a motion to approve the rezoning application, submitted by Dust Stop Filtration, LLC, for a 7-acre tract of land, located at 1214 W. Catawba Avenue, Parcel ID # 182502, from I-1 Gaston County to LI Light Industrial contingent upon the annexation approval. (Resolution #08082022A) Councilman Craig seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

2. Consideration and approval on the Question of Annexation Pursuant to GS 160A-31 for a petition submitted by Dust Stop Filtration, LLC, for a 7-acre tract of land, located at 1214 W. Catawba Avenue, Parcel ID # 182502

Council Moore made a motion to approve the annexation petition submitted by Dust Stop Filtration, LLC, for a 7-acre tract of land, located at 1214 W. Catawba Avenue, Parcel ID # 182502.

Resolution #08082022B) Councilwoman Shoemaker seconded the motion. All Council members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

3. Consider and approval of a rezoning application, submitted by CATARHYNE, LLC, for a 4.94-acre tract of land, located at 1212 W. Catawba Avenue, Parcel ID # 221728, and an adjacent 0.31-acre tract of land, Parcel ID # 301676 from I-1 Light Industrial (Gaston County) & OLC Office Light Commercial (Gaston County) to L-I Light Industrial (City of Mount Holly)

Councilwoman Shoemaker made a motion to approve the rezoning application, submitted by CATARHYNE, LLC, for a 4.94-acre tract of land, located at 1212 W. Catawba Avenue, Parcel ID # 221728, and an adjacent 0.31-acre tract of land, Parcel ID # 301676 from I-1 Light Industrial (Gaston County) & OLC Office Light Commercial (Gaston County) to L-I Light Industrial (City of Mount Holly) contingent upon the annexation approval. (Resolution #08082022C) Councilman Meadows seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

4. Consideration and approval on the Question of Annexation Pursuant to GS 160A-31 for a petition submitted by CATARHYNE, LLC for a 4.94-acre tract of land, located at 1212 W. Catawba Avenue, Parcel ID # 221728 *Marie Anders*

Councilman Meadows made a motion to approve the annexation petition submitted by CATARHYNE, LLC for a 4.94-acre tract of land, located at 1212 W. Catawba Avenue, Parcel ID # 221728 (Resolution #080892022D) Mayor Pro Tem Harris seconded the motion. (Motion carried)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration and Approval of options related to the dwelling located at 147 East Catawba Avenue
Councilman Meadows asked for this to be pulled off the regular agenda and discussed in closed session. Council looked to the City Attorney, Mrs. Anders for direction and she advised that it could be a closed session item.
2. Consideration and Approval of the Low Bidder for Sandy Ford Road Water Line Loop Project
Mr. Wilson advised that 5 bids were received for the Sandy Ford Road Water Line Loop Project. Buckeye Bridge LLC was the low bid at \$273,870. Council Meadows made the motion to approve the low bid, Buckeye Bridge LLC. Councilwoman Pawlish seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

CLOSED SESSION

1. Closed Session Pursuant to N.C.G.S 143-318.11 (a) (3 and 5)
Councilman Moore made the motion to enter into Closed Session Pursuant to N.C.G.S 143-318.11 (a)(3 and 5) at 7:31pm. Councilwoman Pawlish seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion Carried)
Councilman Moore made a motion to come out of closed session and back into regular session at 8:06pm. Councilwoman Shoemaker seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)
Mayor Hough advised that no action was taken during closed session.

ADJOURN

With no additional items for discussion, Mayor Hough entertained a motion to adjourn. Councilman Moore made the motion to adjourn the August 8, 2022 Council Meeting. Councilwoman Pawlish seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion Carried)
The meeting adjourned at 8:07pm.