



July 10, 2023, City Council Meeting Recap

1. Call to Order

2. Moment of Silence

3. Recognition

Recognition of Retiring Police Chief Terrence E. Caldwell

a. Resolution Awarding Badge and Sidearm-

- The council voted 5-0 to award the retiring Chief his sidearm and badge upon his retirement on July 14, 2023.

b. Resolution Honoring Police Chief Terrence. E Caldwell

The City of Mebane is proud to recognize the life, legacy, and accolades of Terrence E.

Caldwell, Chief of the Mebane Police Department, on the occasion of his retirement. His service and dedication have positively impacted many lives throughout his 30-year career in Mebane.

c. Chief Terrence E. Caldwell was awarded the prestigious honor of the Order of the Long Leaf Pine.

This award is one of the highest recognitions of civilian accomplishment in public service within the state of North Carolina.

4. Eastern Alamance Women's Soccer Team- 3A State Champions

The Women's Eastern Alamance Lady Eagles Soccer Team won the 2023 NCHSAA 3A Championship with a 4-0 victory over South Point on Saturday, June 3.

5. Resolution

a. Parks and Recreation Month- July 2023

6. Public Comments- Four people signed up to speak.

- Ed Priola
- Peter Huff
- Brenda Pattison
- Carolyn Burns

7. Downtown Mebane Development Corporation (DMDC) Update

a. Mebane Main Street Designation Letter

The North Carolina Department of Commerce sent a letter announcing that the City of Mebane has been selected to move up from the Downtown Associate Community program to become a designated North Carolina Main Street community. We are now the 70th Main Street community in North Carolina.

b. Proclamation- Mebane Main Street Day- July 31

A proclamation was read by Mayor Hooks declaring July 31, 2023, as Mebane Main Street Day. A celebration will be held downtown on Fourth Street on Monday, July 31 in honor of the Main Street Designation.

c. DMDC Quarterly Report (Covering April, May, and June)

The Downtown Mebane Development Corporation facilitates revitalizing and preserving historic Downtown Mebane through an inclusive collaboration and partnership with greater Mebane.

8. Consent Agenda was approved 5-0 by the council.

- Approval of Minutes- June 5, 2023, Regular Meeting
- Petition for Voluntary Contiguous Annexation- Mebane Towne Center- Phases A2, A3 and A4
- Petition for Voluntary Contiguous Annexation- Elizabeth S. Woody- Montclair

d. Final Plat Reapproval- Magnolia Glen Estates, Ph. 3

9. Public Hearings-

- a. Rezoning- GD Adams, LLC- St. Lukes Church Road- R-12 and HM to R-12 to eliminate the split zoning
GD Adams, LLC is requesting that a +/- 12,632 square foot lot be rezoned from an R-12 (residential district) and HM (heavy manufacturing) to an R-12, to eliminate the split zoning of the property.
 - A 5-0 vote was made to approve the R-12 zoning as presented and finds that the application is consistent with the objectives and goals in the City's 2017 Comprehensive Land Development Plan *Mebane By Design*. Specifically, the request is for a property within the City's G-4 Secondary Growth Area that is generally residential.

10. Racial Equity Advisory Committee (REAC) Presentation on the Government Alliance on Race & Equity (GARE)

The Racial Equity Advisory Committee proposes that the city become a member of the Government Alliance on Race & Equity (GARE), and invited Dr. Allison De Marco to make a presentation to share about the organization. GARE is working to advance racial equity and increase opportunities for all communities. GARE is building the field of practice to advance racial equity within and through government.

- A 4-1 vote was made to move this hearing until a later date when more information is obtained about the GARE membership.

11. Capital Reserve Fund Resolution

The budget ordinance adopted by the City Council on June 5, 2023, includes a transfer equal to two cents of property tax revenue to a capital reserve fund. The City Council intends to reduce the cost of borrowing (interest payments) for the construction of major capital projects like the construction of Fire Station Four, a new Police Facility, and a recreation project(s) by transferring an amount equal to two cents of property tax proceeds collected to a capital reserve fund. Approval is required to establish the reserve fund for specific General Fund projects.

- The City Council voted 5-0 to approve the capital reserve fund as presented.

12. Asset Inventory and Assessment (AIA) Grant-

Study of Existing Water Infrastructure related to the January 2021 Lead and Copper Rule Revision (LCRR)

In 2021 the state revised the Lead and Copper rules requiring the city to provide the state with an inventory by January 2024. In August of 2022, the city received a letter of intent to fund an Asset Inventory and Assessment Grant in the amount of \$300,000 through the American Rescue Plan. The city put out a Request for Qualifications for qualified firms to submit a statement of qualifications to provide engineering and surveying services for a list of objectives on November 28, 2022. Alley Williams Carmen & King Inc. was the only firm that submitted its statement of qualifications on time. The city received the official Offer & Acceptance for the American Rescue Plan Funding on June 21, 2023.

- A 5-0 vote to approve the American Rescue Plan Fund Acceptance Resolution.
- A 5-0 vote for the Budget Ordinance Amendment.
- A 5-0 vote was made to award Alley Williams Carmen & King, Inc. the engineering services for Asset Inventory and Assessment in the amount of \$300,000.

13. Adjournment

Mayor Hooks recognized Chuck Smith and the Public Works Department for refurbishing old Christmas stars into patriotic stars.

Announcements:

Friday, July 21, Police Chief Mitch McKinney's Swearing-In Ceremony at 3 p.m. in the Council Chambers

Friday, July 21, the Musical Chairs Concert Series featuring Ultimate Rock Machine is from 7-9 p.m. in Downtown Mebane

Monday, July 31, is the Mebane Main Street Designation Day and Celebration in Downtown Mebane.

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Please see the attached PowerPoint presentation from the City Council meeting for more information.