

**TOWN OF HUNTERSVILLE
TOWN BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

**January 3, 2022
6:00 p.m. – Huntersville Town Hall
101 Huntersville-Concord Road**

PRE-MEETING

The Huntersville Board of Commissioners held a pre-meeting at Huntersville Town Hall, 101 Huntersville-Concord Road, at 5:00 p.m. on January 3, 2022.

GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Melinda Bales; Commissioners Dan Boone, Amber Kovacs, Lance Munger, Derek Partee and Stacy Phillips. Commissioner Rob Kidwell was not present.

Social Media Policy Discussion. Kim Strickland, Public Information Officer, reviewed proposed Town of Huntersville Social Media Policy and proposed Town of Huntersville Social Media Policy for Elected Officials and Members of Appointed Boards, Committees, and Commissions. *Refer to PowerPoint and draft policies attached hereto as Exhibit No. 1.*

During the discussion, the Board expressed the following concerns:

- Age discrimination reference in the proposed Town of Huntersville Social Media Policy. Suggested changing “age (40 or older)” to just “age” in the third bullet on Page 4.
- Advisory Board members may be afraid their personal social media accounts may be pulled into the public record.
- Social Media Policy for Elected and Appointed Officials – Bullet Point that states “Officials should avoid social media posts that could be perceived as an endorsement by the Town, its employees, constituents, other public officials, suppliers, vendors, or contractors.”
- Social Media Policy for Elected and Appointed Officials – Bullet Point that states “Posts that express favoritism and/or bias for or against any individual or group of individuals (e.g. based upon race, religion, national origin, sex (including sexual orientation, pregnancy, and gender identity), disability, age, political affiliation, etc.) reflect poorly on the public official, as well as the Town and its residents. Further, discriminatory and/or defamatory comments may expose the Town to liability and legal costs.”

Mayor Bales encouraged commissioners to contact Ms. Sloop or Ms. Strickland with any questions/feedback on the proposed policies. Final policies will come back to the Board for action at a future date.

American Rescue Plan Act Funding. Bobby Williams, Assistant Town Manager, provided update to the Board on the American Rescue Plan Act Funding. *Refer to PowerPoint attached hereto as Exhibit No. 2.*

Mayor Bales noted that the presentation was just a quick overview and will be discussed in more detail in the future.

There being no further business, the Pre-meeting was adjourned.

**REGULAR MEETING
TOWN OF HUNTERSVILLE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The Regular Meeting of the Huntersville Board of Commissioners was held at the Huntersville Town Hall, 101 Huntersville-Concord Road, at 6:00 p.m. on January 3, 2022.

GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Melinda Bales, Commissioners Dan Boone, Amber Kovacs, Lance Munger, Derek Partee and Stacy Phillips. Commissioner Rob Kidwell was not present.

Mayor Bales called the meeting to order.

Mayor Bales called for a moment of silence.

Mayor Bales led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS REPORTS – STAFF QUESTIONS

Mayor Bales

- COVID numbers are increasing. Encouraged citizens to be aware of surroundings and mask when appropriate.
- The Town is welcoming some new shops and restaurants to Huntersville.
- Next Metropolitan Transit Commission meeting is January 26.
- Town Board Meeting preview videos have started airing on the Town's social media to make sure everyone is aware of what's happening on Board Meeting nights.

Commissioner Boone

- No Report.

Commissioner Kovacs

- Provided update from the Lake Norman Chamber of Commerce.
- Provided update from the Huntersville Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Commissioner Munger

- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools is presently awaiting confirmation of Municipal Education Advisory Committee appointees then will set a date for the 2022 kick-off meeting.
- Next meeting of the Huntersville Ordinances Advisory Board is January 6.
- Consider supporting local non-profits.

Commissioner Partee

- Attended the Greenway, Trails and Bikeway Commission meeting on December 21. Next meeting is January 18.

- Visited the Huntersville Police Department on December 28 and look forward to assisting the Administrative Staff with their law enforcement needs that would better serve the Huntersville Community, starting with gun safety. HPD has free child safety locks for your weapons.
- Consider contributing to Cool Kids Clubhouse.

Commissioner Phillips

- Report from Commissioner Kidwell – the target date to resume Veterans services office hours in Huntersville is the week of January 31.
- Provided update from Rural Hill.
- Provided update from Ada Jenkins.

Mayor Bales noted the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization is hosting an orientation for new and returning CRTPO members on January 6.

PUBLIC COMMENTS, REQUESTS, OR PRESENTATIONS

Beejay Caldwell, 14521 New Haven Drive, said I welcome you as newly elected board of commissioner members and commend you for your willingness to take on the challenge of committing to being a public servant. I am hopeful that you will confront and embrace the tenants of diversity, equality and inclusion. This board has the potential to build a transformative legacy of leadership second to none in the county or state. Demonstrating these traits will help as you move forward in the new year with the many pandemic changes. Being new, team work will be essential as you labor together over core values of the town and the communities you serve. Struggling communities like Pottstown and those in East Huntersville need direction, guidance and input from the board and the town to help with economic development projects that will allow those residents to benefit from over 100 years of land ownership and increase their ability to sustain management of their property they or their parents worked hard to obtain in a segregated society.

The year 2021 is gone along with all the good and bad. In 2022 this board can feel good about what lies ahead.....if elected officials, government and people strive to survive in a fledgling democracy where the people are rendered powerless when it comes to fighting with city hall. There is much to be done to help implement programs and services to insure that the underserved communities don't die or continue to gentrify, thus making them a better place to live as we face so many economic challenges.

At this time and place, the Board is poised to advance Huntersville's underserved communities and position them into the 21st century utilizing new and innovative actions, thinking and transparency. These opportunities are here and now ready to spearhead cutting edge initiatives that will have a lasting effect on future growth. There is a vision....you can cast.....if you are willing to come outside the box, making your legacy one that goes down as legendary.

There are no guarantees that the intended goals or initiatives will be met. But plan we must. As opportunities present themselves with the impact of your leadership along with bold new ideas from team members who can make commitments, success is bound to come.

Written comments attached hereto as Exhibit No. 3.

AGENDA CHANGES

Commissioner Munger made a motion to move Items 9.F (Call a public hearing on Petition #R21-14) and 9.G (Call a public hearing on Petition #R21-16) under Other Business to Items 10.C and 10.D under the Consent Agenda.

Commissioner Partee seconded motion.

Motion carried 4 to 1, with Commissioner Kovacs opposed.

Commissioner Boone made a motion to adopt the agenda, as amended.

Commissioner Munger seconded motion.

Motion carried 4 to 1, with Commissioner Kovacs opposed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Petition #R21-15. Mayor Bales called to order public hearing on Petition #R21-15, a request by TLO Properties LKN to rezone 14520 Beatties Ford Road (Tax Parcel #01540105) to the Rural District.

Nathan Farber, Planner I, entered the Staff Report into the record. *Staff Report and Staff PowerPoint attached hereto as Exhibit No. 4.*

This is an application by Kathy Day on behalf TLO Properties LKN. The rezoning area is 8 acres of the total 20-acre parcel. This is a map showing the current zoning districts on the property – the red being the Rural, the purple being the Transitional and the green being Rural Conditional District. The underlying map is also showing the 2005 R05-13 60-lot residential subdivision. When that rezoning was proposed the subdivision consisted of two separate properties and then later on the subdivision fell through and the upper lot was then sold.

The applicant is proposing a general rezoning to remove the existing Rural Conditional district and Transitional district that was associated with the original rezoning. Because this is a general rezoning, the application does not have a site plan or any conditions associated with the request.

Commissioner Phillips said with the current zoning, what could go there.

Mr. Farber said you could have a by-right minor subdivision, you could have single homes going in, you could have a farmhouse cluster, or a conservation subdivision.

Kathy Day, TLO Properties LKN, said when I purchased this property in September 2019 I spoke to Lauren, and the previous seller had begun the process of the farmhouse cluster and so out of the 20 acres they were fine with 12 homes out of the 20 acres and that's what I am pursuing. I'm not as far along in the process. I have the tree survey going and the site plan drawn up with preliminary lots drawn out and just pursuing a farmhouse cluster.

There being no further questions or comments, Mayor Bales closed the public hearing.

Petition #TA21-14. Mayor Bales called to order public hearing on Petition #TA21-14, an application to amend Sections 2.100: Definitions, Section 6.300: Sketch Plan Required for Major Subdivisions, Section 6.310: Sketch Plan Not Required for Minor Subdivisions. Section 6.520: Exceptions: When Preliminary Plan Not Required.

Jack Simoneau, Planning Director, entered the Staff Report into the record. *Staff Report and Staff PowerPoint attached hereto as Exhibit No. 5.*

We would describe these text amendments as kind of clean-up work. The first part is we are going to amend the definition of major subdivisions and we are going to remove the right-of-way acquisition and dedication along existing streets, as well as Charlotte-Mecklenburg Utility Water and sewer extensions, from the definition of major subdivisions.

There are common type of processes where a developer might want to donate land for additional right-of-way and so rather than go through a 3-1/2 month major subdivision process, this would allow it to go through the minor process that staff approves. Certainly, if anybody proposes a major subdivision with new streets and new utilities on a piece of property, that will go through the regular process.

We are also proposing to amend minor subdivisions. In your agenda packet you will see we kind of struck through the language trying to describe what the minor subdivision is and simply we are going to say if it's not a major, then it's a minor subdivision. The last thing is we are just clarifying the submittal requirements and review requirements for farmhouse clusters. The Ordinances Advisory Board did hear this and did recommend approval.

There being no questions or comments, Mayor Bales closed the public hearing.

OTHER BUSINESS

Resolution Amendment – 2022 Downtown Plan Steering Committee. The Huntersville Chamber of Commerce has requested that its representative on the 2022 Downtown Plan Steering Committee be changed. The appointment is a non-voting, ex officio position.

Commissioner Kovacs made a motion to amend Resolution No. R-2021-63 creating the 2022 Downtown Plan Steering Committee to change the Huntersville Chamber of Commerce representative from Jill Swain to John McClelland.

Commissioner Phillips seconded motion.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

Amended Resolution attached hereto as Exhibit No. 6.

Parks & Recreation Commission Appointments. The Parks & Recreation Commission has four openings – three 3-year terms and one 1-year term.

Commissioner Munger nominated Marc Burns, Kent Curran, Tige Chiesa.
Commissioner Partee nominated Tige Chiesa, Lindsay Martell, Kent Curran.
Commissioner Phillips nominated Kent Curran, Taylor Hutto, Selene Magic.
Commissioner Kovacs nominated Kent Curran, Taylor Hutto, Marc Burns.

Commissioner Boone nominated Tige Chiesa, Taylor Hutto, Gale Wactor.

Commissioner Partee made a motion to appoint Kent Curran, Tige Chiesa and Taylor Hutto to 3-year terms on the Parks & Recreation Commission.

Commissioner Phillips seconded motion.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

Mayor Bales called for nominations for the 1-year term.

Commissioner Munger nominated Marc Burns.

Commissioner Partee nominated Marc Burns.

Commissioner Phillips nominated Marc Burns.

Commissioner Kovacs nominated Marc Burns.

Commissioner Boone nominated Traci Kastner.

Commissioner Partee made a motion to appoint Marc Burns to a 1-year term on the Parks & Recreation Commission.

Commissioner Phillips seconded motion.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

Appointments to Greenway, Trails and Bikeway Commission. The Greenway, Trails and Bikeway Commission has five openings – three 3-year terms ending in 2024, one unexpired term ending in 2023 and one unexpired term ending in 2022.

Mayor Bales called for nominations for the three 3-year terms ending in 2024.

Commissioner Boone nominated Michael Griffin, Theodore Turner, Cory Wilkinson.

Commissioner Kovacs nominated Katie Spikes, Ken Stuart, Michael Griffin.

Commissioner Phillips nominated Michael Griffin, Katie Spikes, Ken Stuart.

Commissioner Partee nominated Ken Stuart, Cory Wilkinson, Theodore Turner.

Commissioner Munger nominated Christianna Beirne, Sharon Correll, Theodore Turner.

Commissioner Boone made a motion to appoint Michael Griffin, Ken Stuart and Theodore Turner to 3-year terms on the Greenway, Trails and Bikeway Commission.

Commissioner Partee seconded motion.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

Mayor Bales called for nominations for the 1-year term ending in 2023.

Commissioner Boone nominated Cory Wilkinson.

Commissioner Kovacs nominated Katie Spikes.

Commissioner Phillips nominated Katie Spikes.

Commissioner Partee nominated Katie Spikes.

Commissioner Munger nominated Christianna Beirne.

Commissioner Boone made a motion to appoint Katie Spikes to the 1-year term ending in 2023 for the Greenway, Trails and Bikeway Commission.

Commissioner Phillips seconded motion.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

Mayor Bales called for nominations for the 1-year term ending in 2022.

Commissioner Boone nominated Cory Wilkinson.

Commissioner Kovacs nominated Christianna Beirne.

Commissioner Phillips nominated Sharon Correll.

Commissioner Partee nominated Christianna Beirne.

Commissioner Munger nominated Christianna Beirne.

Commissioner Boone made a motion to appoint Christianna Beirne to the 1-year term ending in 2022 for the Greenway, Trails and Bikeway Commission.

Commissioner Munger seconded motion.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

Appointments to the Public Art Commission. The Public Art Commission has three openings – three 3-year terms.

Mayor Bales called for nominations for the three 3-year terms.

Commissioner Kovacs nominated Lynn Cavanaugh, Ed Esinhart, Crys Roeder.

Commissioner Phillips nominated Lynn Cavanaugh, Ed Esinhart, Crys Roeder.

Commissioner Partee nominated Lynn Cavanaugh, Miko Palmer, Crys Roeder.

Commissioner Boone nominated Ed Esinhart, Miko Palmer, Crys Roeder.

Commissioner Munger nominated Lynn Cavanaugh, Ed Esinhart, Crys Roeder.

Commissioner Munger made a motion to appoint Lynn Cavanaugh, Ed Esinhart and Crys Roeder to 3-year terms on the Public Art Commission.

Commissioner Partee seconded motion.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

Budget Amendment – Facilitation Services. Mayor Bales said Item 9.E is to appropriate fund balance in the amount of \$7,000 for facilitation services of Town Board goals to the Governing Body contract services account.

Anthony Roberts, Town Manager, said a couple of weeks back, I was on a call and had a meeting with Mayor Bales, Commissioner Phillips and Commissioner Kidwell.....Mr. Kidwell is on the Communication Committee and Commissioner Phillips is the Mayor Pro Tem, talking about with the new Board there

was quite a bit of turnover. We were first looking at team building exercises and doing TILT analysis so the Board could get started off on the right foot and ultimately lead to some goals, values, mission statements, etc. Those individuals talked to various Board members. I didn't talk to any Board members, but the various Board members went back and talked to other Board members to get their feedback. From that Feedback the group decided to jump that step of teambuilding exercise and jump straight to what I'm just going to say four categories – mission, vision, values and goals for this new Board to get behind. What you see here before you and I think there's a proposal, the proposal basically has an outside consultant come in. They are through the League of Municipalities, an outside consultant that actually works through the League and they would come in and work with the Board to help set your mission, vision, values and goals, thus I would assume we would take that and give that to the staff and the staff would work through helping you achieve those. That's what this is all about. The \$7,000 is the estimate. I would assume if we are doing a 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. type session, a Coke and nabs may not hold you over, so we would probably bring in a boxed lunch or something and then that individual who is coming in to help with these four items would also spend the night, so included in that I think the actual proposal was \$6,300, but if you figure in some food and room, it's estimated at \$7,000.

Mayor Bales said this \$7,000 is no more than. I think our goal would be that we would spend less than that for this workshop, but one of the things I know I spoke on quite a bit has been vision and helping this Board collectively set our goals, our values and how we are going to work together for the next two years and then beyond. I believe that bringing this third party in to help us facilitate that and be that third party will be a good thing for this Board as we set some goals. I had gone back and looked when the last time this Board brought anyone in and the last time was in 2021 when I was very first elected. I remembered someone from School of Government coming in and we talked about working together and what our values were and how we were going to work together etc. Then I looked for the time before that, because this isn't something that we do often. The last time we did anything before 2012 was in 2001. In 2001 we did a SWOT analysis apparently, and as I was looking through some of the notes, it struck me that some of the things that we are still struggling with today we were struggling with then in 2001 and how important it's going to be if we want to move those areas of weakness or threat or opportunity over into strengths and to capitalize on those that it's going to take us working together to make that happen and to ensure that this community is moving forward, not just checking boxes as we go along, but actually working together and having a core set of values that we work together on and then also understanding what our collective vision, each and every one of us what we agree on and how we are going to move our community forward. I am very passionate about this because I believe this sets us up on the right foot. I hope that the Board also agrees and that we can work together to set some goals and objectives and set our vision and really hopefully lay the foundation as to who we are as a community and what we value. I will open this up for conversation and discussion.

Commissioner Phillips said I have a really unique experience in this role because my dad was on the board before me, so the past 12 years of my life has been nothing but Huntersville talk. I learned something in this process, that 10 years ago my father suggested that we have a PIO. That did not happen for a decade, and I think that's a bit ridiculous that these goals have been made, things were talked about, but they were never ever materialized. I am not a team player. That is who I am. Some of you love me for it. It's okay if you don't. However, I love Huntersville more than I love my ego. I grew up here and I feel a little bit more protective sometimes I think just because this is home and I want it to always be home. The fact that we don't have clear visions in line for this town and ways to achieve goals and to work together.....it doesn't matter what we want, it matters what you guys want. And if this is a way that we can sit down, put in black and white attainable goals and visions that don't just mean what we want but what y'all want, I think that's critical and it gives you guys something to come back to us black and white and say you guys aren't meeting your marks. You are not doing what you promised.

And I love that that sets a new standard for us to be more accountable to the public and I know personally I have wasted staff's time with the Doc Craven house, that was a big one for me. Had the Board actually had a vision planned, we could have had something like we want to save historic properties, then that wouldn't have even been something we spoke about. We wouldn't have wasted Bobby's time, the news wouldn't have been involved, we wouldn't have looked like a bunch of clowns. Another thing that I will go on about until the day it dies or I die is the TIA. I asked staff for some kind of parameters around the time, because I feel like TIA is the only thing this Board has talked about even when my dad was on. In 3.5 years it is roughly and very conservatively estimated the TIA has been talked about over 200 hours, not just by us, but by staff and committees, and here we go with another committee. I feel as if we are going to do this, it is holding us accountable and not wasting you guys' time for 2 years and when I say you guys, I mean the public's time and I love the fact that we have deliverables to meet for you guys. What a cool thing that we can do and \$7,000 sounds like a lot of money, but when you count in the fact that we have done appraisals on land that would have equaled what this would.....I mean we are wasting your money when we can't come up with clear visions and ideas. I'm sorry to ramble on about it, but it's just something I don't like waking up early in the morning especially on weekends, but if that's what I've got to do for the town that has raised me, God Bless it, I'll do it.

Commissioner Partee said I think this is a very important process that we need to go through, especially as elected officials. I worked in civil service all my life and I worked on teams and I've been to team building programs, but when you run for office everybody has an agenda and that agenda can't be the same. Right now we are all sitting here with hidden agendas, but we need to be focused and this will focus our ability to serve the residents of Huntersville. Also, to work with our Town employees who work very hard and they are not the enemy but running for office, they were the targets. I feel like \$7,000 is a drop in the bucket. You figure \$1,000 per person that's up here is well worth it and I'm looking forward to it.

Commissioner Boone said I did talk to Commissioner Kidwell on the 20th of December. He called me. He sent me a letter from the League of Municipalities about the scope of it. It said the Facilitator and Mayor will agree to what questions will be used. Now if you can control the questions, you can control the results. I don't think that's what we want. I think we want everyone to be included on this. And then it says that the Facilitator will get all the interviews and share those with the Mayor prior to any session. So is that open and transparency. I don't think so. My two questions – why didn't we put this out for bid. Why do we have to go through the League. And then the second question is, like we talked about the TIA, we also talked about buying local, supporting local, why aren't we supporting a local business. I'm sure there are people in the Town of Huntersville that can do this exact same thing at probably 1/3 of the cost. I'm not going to support this.

Mayor Bales said my first question is did you receive the updated scope, because I thought that got sent out. Did everyone receive the new scope of service.

Mr. Roberts said it was sent out. Now did everyone receive it or review it, I'm not sure.

Commissioner Boone said can I ask you it came from.....this is a perfect meeting where we've gotten piece mill and piece mill and piece mill.....

Mr. Roberts said I would hope it came from me.

Mayor Bales said it should have been sent from Mr. Roberts.

Commissioner Boone said was it dated the 20th of December.

Mayor Bales said no, it was after. It was sent out to the Board last week.

Commissioner Boone said the scope said during the whole process you would be the one that controlled the questions. That's wrong.

Mayor Bales said when we had this original conversation and we were discussing this, we reached out to the League of Municipalities who we are members with. And this is something that they do. We could have easily reached out to a business, but they do not necessarily understand the innerworkings of municipalities. Through conversations between Commissioner Phillips, Commissioner Kidwell and Mr. Roberts about who would be the right facilitator for this, it made sense to reach out to the League and to ask them to provide us an individual who does this specially for municipalities. I would tell you that the scope of work is not your sheet from December. After your conversation with Commissioner Kidwell we went back and had that conversation and revamped it, as Mr. Roberts stated earlier, where we are focusing on our mission, vision, values and goals development. There will be worksheets on Phase 1 that will be sent to the commissioners and department heads for completion. That will help set the basis for mission, vision, values and goals development and then those worksheets will be returned and then he will collate the responses and present those and then we will meet with commissioners to share the responses and work through the document. We changed that specifically due to your concerns, Commissioner Boone. I saw the value in what you were bringing back and thus I believe there was consensus that yes, let's skip that step, let's go straight to creating our vision, mission, values and goals. Mr. Roberts, did you want to add anything else.

Mr. Roberts said you are correct. Hopefully the Board received it. It either came from me or Janet. I was trying to look back through my emails because I sent out a million of them I think, so I don't know the exact date, but I can get that for you. And then also I think one of the questions was is it required to be bid out. No, it's not per the statutes.

Commissioner Phillips said I was kind of skeptical, the whole going with the private sector. Charlotte spent \$46,000 in the private sector doing something very similar, so we have been cost conscience about it. The League pricing was the best, but also I know people had talked about having staff do it. I find it highly inappropriate that we have people that work for us working as a moderator and I feel like that could cause issues in the future and may cause concerns of employment in the future that they were put in the middle of board decisions because they work for us and I just don't feel like that's an appropriate matter to do even if I know they have the greatest of intentions.

Mayor Bales said is there any other discussion around the topic.

Commissioner Munger said obviously the Mayor knows my pessimism on this particular topic is quite high. But I really go back and forth. One of the things and I will say this, Commissioner Phillips, I appreciate your statement, I truly do, because I'm a little bit of the same. I think you and I know that. I want us, even if we are not going to have the same vision at the end of the day, because there's no way we are all going to agree, it's just a simple fact. There's going to be things I want, there's going to be things Commissioner Phillips, Commissioner Boone, Commissioner Kovacs, we are all going to want different things. We are going to try and figure out how we coalesce that into a somewhat singular vision. One of the things I always say is if no one is happy at the end of the day, you probably compromised. You probably hit a point where fine, I got a little bit of what I want, gave you a little bit of

what you want and so on and so forth down the line. I'm still somewhat pessimistic, but as long as we are 100 percent transparent, I mean I do have some other reservations, I want the questions to come from this gentleman who has run it and if it's shared with one, it's shared with all. If it's shared with none, it stays that way. I want definite controls around it, but I will end up supporting this. It is my hope that each commissioner is able to attend and takes that moment, that day, to put aside differences and try and do what's right for the town.

Commissioner Boone said I talked to one commissioner on the 20th of December and have not heard one word from any of the other commissioners, Town Manager, Assistant Town Manager, Mayor or Mayor Pro Tem and I hope that you understand in 2012 this is exactly why this thing started with where we are now with the three on three where you and Commissioner Phillips are meeting with the Town Manager because you want [inaudible] ahead of time. With that said I'm going to go along with go ahead and raise my hand and go along with this but if I see somebody is trying to manipulate the outcome, the show's over so it better be open and transparent.

Mayor Bales said thank you Commissioner Boone. I will tell you that it's very important for me that it is open and transparent and that we work together. That is the goal.

Commissioner Boone said it's not feeling that way down here.

Mayor Bales said that bothers me. I know that we kind of divvied our conversation up. Commissioner Phillips spoke with Commissioner Kovacs. I spoke with Commissioner Munger and Commissioner Partee. And Commissioner Kidwell reached out to you. And I think when I look back, I probably should have had a conversation with every single one of you, so for that I apologize.

Commissioner Boone said I accept your apology, but the second time you revamped the scope, there was no communication.

Mayor Bales said there should have been. Well, I'm not going to point fingers. Whatever happened, happened.

Commissioner Kovacs said my only question is, is this going to be streamed or available to the public.

Mayor Bales said I think it's definitely open to the public. I think we can have some conversations around streaming, but it will be a public meeting, so it will be advertised. Without any other comment or concern, do I have a motion.

Commissioner Phillips made a motion to consider approving budget amendment appropriating fund balance in the amount of \$7,000 for a facilitation services of the Town Board goals to the governing body contract service account.

Commissioner Partee seconded motion.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Minutes – December 6. Commissioner Boone made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2021 Regular Town Board Meeting. Commissioner Munger seconded motion. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Approval of Minutes – December 20. Commissioner Boone made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2021 Regular Town Board Meeting. Commissioner Munger seconded motion. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Call for Public Hearing – Petition #R21-14. Commissioner Boone made a motion to call a public hearing for Monday, February 7, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at Huntersville Town Hall on Petition #R21-14, a request by Mecklenburg County to amend the conditional district rezoning plan for their facility at 12300 Statesville Road (tax ID 01720403) to expand the boundaries of the active area of the facility. Commissioner Munger seconded motion. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Call for Public Hearing – Petition #R21-16. Commissioner Boone made a motion to call a public hearing for Monday, February 7, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at Huntersville Town Hall on Petition #R21-16, a request by Mosaic Development Group to rezone +/- 9.8 acres at 9102 Beatties Ford Road from Rural District to Neighborhood Residential Conditional District for age restricted multi-family housing.

CLOSING COMMENTS

Mayor Bales said I have high expectations for 2022, not only for our Board but for our community as a whole.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved this the 18th day of January 2022.