



April 23, 2019

**REGULAR MEETING  
TOWN OF DAVIDSON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners held its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, April 23, 2019 in the Town Hall Board Room. Present were Mayor Rusty Knox and Commissioners Jane Campbell, Matthew Fort, Jim Fuller, Autumn Riersen Michael, and David Sitton. Town Manager Jamie Justice, Economic Development Manager Kim Fleming, Finance Director Pieter Swart, Parks and Recreation Director Kathryn Spatz, Planning Director Jason Burdette, Police Chief Penny Dunn, Public Works Director Doug Wright, Town Attorney Cindy Reid, and Town Clerk Betsy Shores were also present.

- **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Knox called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

- **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Town Clerk Betsy Shores made the following announcements:

April 26-28, the Town of Davidson will kick off April is for Arts on Friday night with the Gallery Crawl from 6:00 p.m.– 9:00 p.m. The Art on the Green Festival will take place Saturday from 10:00 a.m.– 5:00 p.m. and Sunday from 12:00 p.m.– 4:00 p.m.

The Mayor and Board will host a Community Dinner at Roosevelt Wilson Park on Saturday, April 27. The picnic event begins at 6:00 p.m. and the town will provide the main dish, paper products, water and tea. If you plan to attend, please bring a side dish or dessert to share. During the event, attendees can give input on the proposed sculptural sensory garden at Roosevelt Wilson Park which is the next public art project in Davidson.

Sunday April 28 at 6:00 p.m. is the start of the 2019 Concert on the Green series featuring the Davidson College Jazz Ensemble! The 2019 schedule is available at [www.concertsonthegreen.com](http://www.concertsonthegreen.com)

The Mayor and Board of Commissioners will host a Quarterly Q&A Session on Monday, April 29th at 9:00 am in the Board Room of Town Hall.

Town Day will take place on Saturday, May 4 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the town green. We encourage all citizens to walk or ride a bike to the green for the start of Bike Month! Town Day Activities include a cake walk, yard games, face painting, a pinewood derby, music, entertainment, food, and many booths featuring Davidson organizations.

May is Bike Month! Activities include Bike to School Day on Wednesday, May 8, the Lake Norman Bike Expo and Community Ride on Saturday, May 11, Bike to Work Week May 13 – 17, and the Tour de Trees Event on Saturday, May 18th.

Town Manager Justice provided an update on the Potts Development Project. Crescent Acquisitions, LLC, the developer of the proposed Potts Development project, filed a lawsuit against the Town of Davidson regarding the permit for the project. As the town argued to the court, it does not believe that the circumstances warrant the continuation of the permitting process. However, the court has ordered planning staff to complete the review and issue a decision on the permit. Therefore, as required by the court, there will be a public input session set for May 2, 2019 from 5:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m. at town hall. This is an opportunity for citizens to express their opinions directly to the developer regarding this project. This project will also be on the planning board's agenda for the April 29 meeting for review and comment and citizens are welcome to attend. The town will update the citizens, to the extent possible, as the permitting process and the lawsuit move forward.

Mayor Knox and Commissioner Rierson Michael recognized the Hurt Hub at Davidson College for receiving the 2018 Gertrude A. Carraway Award of Merit from Preservation North Carolina. Named in honor of the late Dr. Gertrude S. Carraway, a noted New Bern historian and preservationist, the award has been presented since 1974 and a maximum of twelve awards are given each year. The Awards of Merit give deserved recognition to individuals or organizations that have demonstrated a genuine commitment to historic preservation through extraordinary leadership, research, philanthropy, promotion, and/or significant participation in preservation.

Mayor Knox and Town Manager Justice recognized the 2019 Civics 101 Class.

Mayor Knox read a proclamation for Small Business Week May 5-11, 2019 and a proclamation for National Bike Month.

- **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

No changes to the agenda.

- **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The public comments period opened at 6:26 p.m. and was closed at 6:33 p.m. Three citizens spoke. Commissioner Fort summarized the comments.

- **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Meeting Minutes from March 12 work session, March 14-15 strategic retreat, March 18 special meeting, and March 26 regular meeting**

**Interlocal Agreement for Lake Norman Transportation Commission**

**Direct the Clerk to Investigate a Voluntary Contiguous Annexation Petition of Mayes Hall - Resolution 2019-17**

**Direct the Clerk to Investigate a Voluntary Contiguous Annexation Petition of Lake Cornelius Residential - Resolution 2019-18**

Amend the meeting schedule by adding a Special Meeting on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room

*Commissioner Rierson Michael made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).*

- **OLD BUSINESS**

(a) Town Manager Justice reviewed the draft resolution provide feedback to the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) regarding Project U-5873, the proposed roundabout on Highway 115 (Main Street) at the intersection of Davidson Street and Potts Street in the Town of Cornelius. The proposed intersection improvements would also re-align the south entrance to the Town of Davidson.

*Commissioner Sitton made a motion to not take action tonight and invite Kimley-Horn to attend a future board meeting and answer questions about making the roundabout a single lane, potentially moving the location of the roundabout, and what would be the solution for the least amount of impact on the Town of Davidson. The motion did not carry with a vote of 1-4. Commissioner Sitton voted yes and Commissioners Campbell, Fort, Fuller and Rierson Michael voted no.*

*Commissioner Fort made a motion to approve the resolution as discussed and ask Kimley-Horn to answer the questions and explain why they are unwilling to provide the information that the Town of Davidson has requested. The motion passed 4-1. Commissioners Campbell, Fort, Fuller and Rierson Michael voted yes and Commissioner Sitton voted no.*

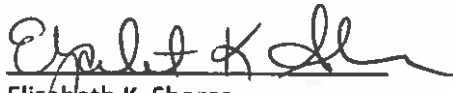
Commissioner Campbell commended Chief Penny Dunn and the Davidson Police Department for the recent Get. W.O.K.E event held at Town Hall.

- **ADJOURN**

*Commissioner Campbell made a motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).*

The meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Attest:

  
Elizabeth K. Shores  
Town Clerk

  
Rusty Knox  
Mayor