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City Council
Pre-Agenda Session
Tuesday, April 26, 2022

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Media Present: A/T News.

Mayor Dorsett asked if there were any additions, deletions, or changes to the agenda. Manager Holden asked that an item be added to the Consent Agenda as Item "H" – Resolution of Support for Application for a Rural Transportation Grant from the North Carolina Department of Commerce, Rural Economic Development Division (REDD). He reported that parking has become and issue at the Park due to the numerous programs being offered along with increased participation rates, and the issue is being addressed by Park staff. Manager Holden shared that the Chamber's Coffee and Conversation event will be held on May 19th at 8:00a.m. at the Department of Insurance building on Baker Road. He mentioned that he will be in contact with Council members to schedule dates for budget meetings.

Mayor Dorsett reported that the Lunch with the Lawmakers event was informative and well attended. He further reported that he has attended several meetings during this month with PTRC, Water Authority, Chamber of Commerce, as well as RCEDC. Mayor Dorsett shared that the Water Authority is anticipating a 3.5% rate increase for members and further shared information regarding the increased costs of chemicals and supplies used for water treatment. He mentioned that early voting begins April 28th and the voting site for early voting in our area has been moved to Braxton Craven School.

With no further discussion, Mayor Dorsett adjourned the April 26, 2022 Pre-Agenda session.

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Item 1. Call to Order.

Mayor Dorsett called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone, and asked Officer Snider to see that their attendance was registered.

Item 2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Warlick gave the invocation and Mayor Pro Tem Glass led those present in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Item 3. Council Action to Accept or Amend the Agenda.

Councilman Blackwell made a motion to amend the Consent Agenda to include Item H - Resolution of Support for Application for a Rural Transportation Grant from the North Carolina Department of Commerce, Rural Economic Development Division (REDD). The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Glass and was approved unanimously.

Item 4. Consideration of Consent Agenda: These items are considered routine, non-controversial, and are considered and approved by a single motion and vote.

A. Approval of the Minutes for the March 22, 2022 City Council Meeting.
B. Financial Summary Report.
C. Approval of Public Event – 5K Color Run.
D. Revision to ARP/CSLFRF Premium Pay Program, Budget Amendment 2002-6 and Grant Project Ordinance for the City of Archdale State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.
E. Request by the National Night Out Committee to close Bonnie Place for the annual National Night Out on August 2, 2022.
F. Budget Amendment 2022-7.
G. Request to Close Bonnie Place to traffic for SerCo Concert Event.
H. Resolution of Support for Application for a Rural Transportation Grant from the North Carolina Department of Commerce, Rural Economic Development Division (REDD).

Councilman Blackwell made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Glass and was approved unanimously.

Item 5. Public Comment Time.

Jose Velazguez, 11231 N. Main Street, Archdale, addressed Council. Mr. Velazguez stated that he had questions regarding the new food truck regulations. He shared that they have had their food truck at this location for two years and he is asking that Council consider revising the Ordinance so that they can keep working at their current location. Mr. Velazgues presented pictures of the work he has completed to improve the parking lot and building. He stated that he has a commissary at this location along with his restaurant. He further stated that this food truck business is how they survive and pay their bills. (Pictures are entered into the record as Attachment A).

Wilma Wright, 205 Purvis Lane, Archdale, asked that Todd Prevost speak on her behalf. Mr. Prevost stated that Ms. Wright has lived at this address for 32 years and the water issues began several years ago at the time the animal clinic building on Main Street was constructed. He further stated that when Thomas Tire added additional asphalt, the water run off from that property is now flowing onto Ms. Wright's property. Mr. Prevost asked if anything could be done to prevent the water from the Main Street businesses from collecting in Ms. Wright's yard. Ms. Wright presented pictures of her flooded property for Council's review. (Pictures are entered into the record as Attachment B).

Mayor Dorsett asked that City staff review issues associated with Ms. Wright's property.

Sylvia Hernandez, 11231 N. Main Street, Archdale, addressed Council. Ms. Hernandez stated that she and her Mom own the food truck located at this address. She further stated that she would like to speak with someone individually regarding the newly adopted food truck Ordinance so that she can understand exactly what they need to do to be able to stay in business at that location. Ms. Hernandez mentioned that the food truck needs to be at that location everyday because if they move the truck, they will lose their regular customers.

Mayor Dorsett asked that she begin by contacting Planning Department staff to arrange a meeting to discuss the Ordinance and what she may do so their food truck will be in compliance.

Jody Greene, 4700 Alpine St., Trinity, addressed Council. Mr. Greene stated that he and his family patronize the food truck located at 11231 N. Main St. at least once per week. He shared that he doesn't want to lose the opportunity to take his family there for dinner and asked that Council work with them so that the restaurant may remain in business.

Item 6. Revision of Chapter 4, Article VIII, Section 4-34, Paragraph (c)(11) of the Archdale Code of Ordinances.

Matthew Wells, Planning Administrator, addressed Council on this item. Mr. Wells advised that this revision is a clarification of a section of the Archdale Code of Ordinances addressing leashing of animals in Creekside Park. He explained that this revision clarifies that electric collars and e-leashes will not be considered approved leashes.

With no further discussion, Councilman Warlick made a motion to approve the revision or Chapter 4, Article VIII, Section 4-34, Paragraph (c)(11) of the Archdale Code of Ordinances. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman McCroskey and was approved unanimously.

Item 7. Revision of Chapter 6, Article IV, Section 6-30, Paragraph (c) of the Archdale Code of Ordinances.

Matthew Wells, Planning Administrator, addressed Council on this item. Mr. Wells advised that this revision is a clarification of a section of the Archdale Code of Ordinances addressing bicycles, motorcycles, and mini-bikes. He explained that this revision is a clarification of motorized vehicles in terms of what is allowed on City property. Mr. Wells further explained that this revision updates the Code in accordance with the laws of the State of North Carolina.

With no further discussion, Councilman Warlick made a motion to approve the revision or Chapter 6, Article IV, Section 6-30, Paragraph (c) of the Archdale Code of Ordinances. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman McCroskey and was approved unanimously.

Item 8. Archdale-Trinity Chamber of Commerce Annual Report – Debi Lagueruela, Board Chair.

Debi Lagueruela, A/T Chamber of Commerce Board Chair, addressed Council. Ms. Lagueruela stated that on behalf of the Board of Directors for the A/T Chamber of Commerce, she is here to present their Annual Report and to thank them for their support throughout the years.

Ms. Lagueruela shared things are beginning to return to normal since the onset of COVID-19. She mentioned the recent Lunch with Lawmakers had a wonderful turnout. Ms. Lagueruela reported on the activities and accomplishments of various committees including Membership Development, Economic Development, and Special Events. She further reported that the Executive Division has maintained current board members and continues to evaluate fund raising opportunities. Ms. Lagueruela mentioned that the Annual Meeting was postponed due to COVID-19 restrictions and concerns as well as the annual awards presentations. She shared that the Finance Committee has developed the 2022 budget to reflect reduced revenues due to the pandemic influence.

Ms. Lagueruela thanked Council on behalf of the A/T Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors for their support in 2021 and asked for their continued support in 2022.

Mayor Dorsett thanked Ms. Lagueruela for her report.

Item 9. Additional Items.

Mayor Dorsett thanked everyone that participated in the Spring Clean-Up. He mentioned that he will attend the May 2nd County Commissioners meeting during which Commissioners will vote on eliminating the current fire district tax cap of 15 cents.

Item 10. Adjournment.

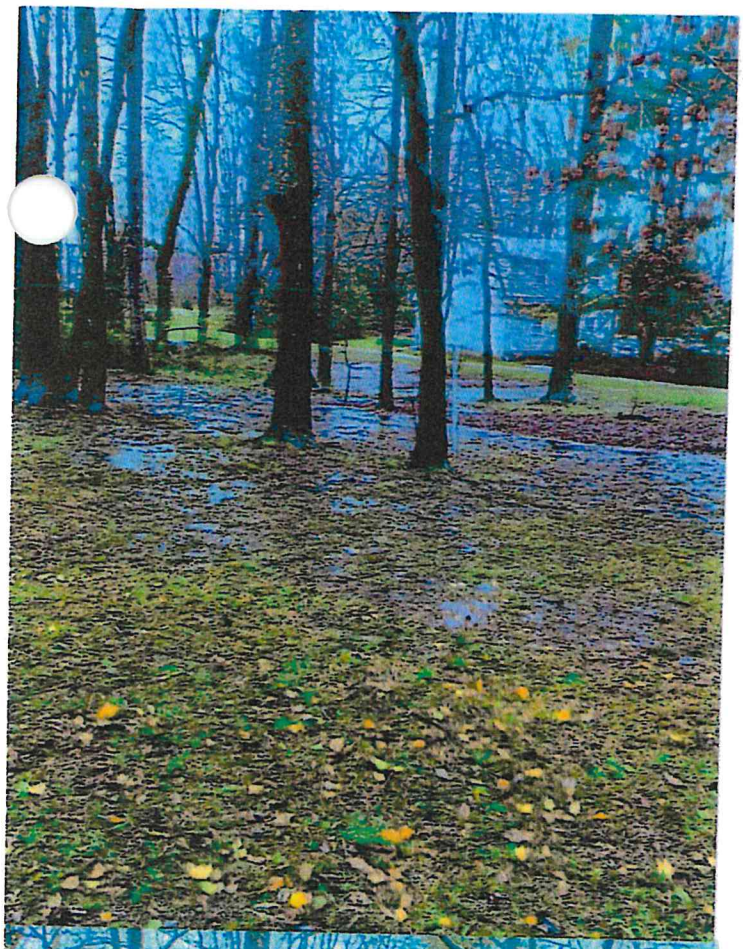
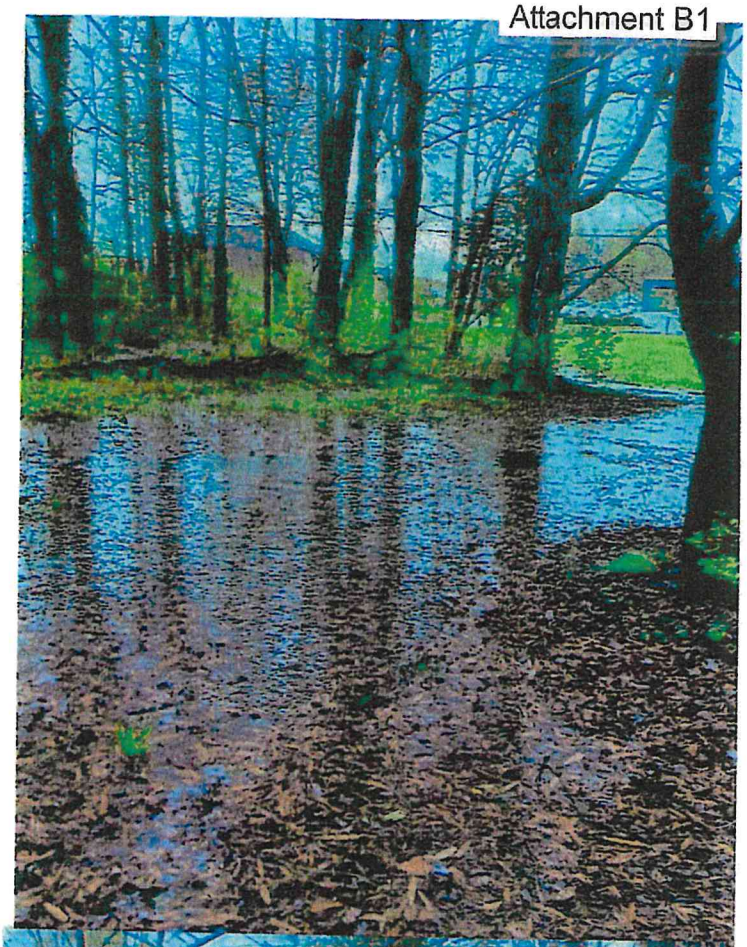
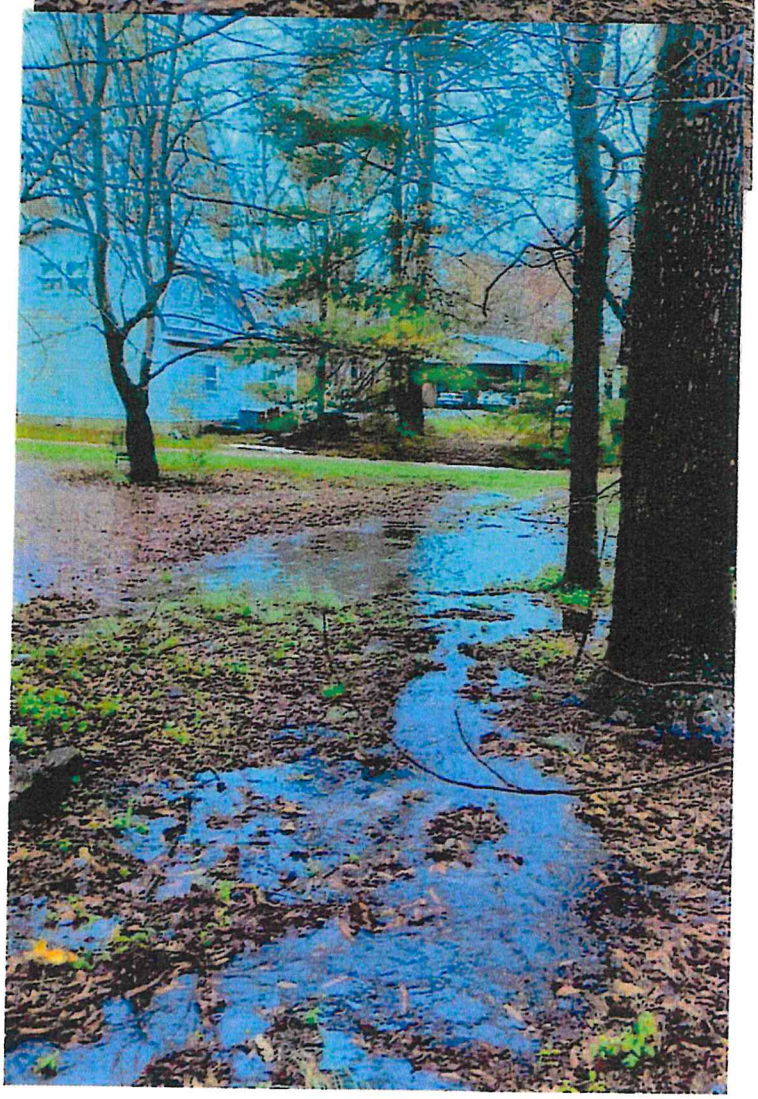
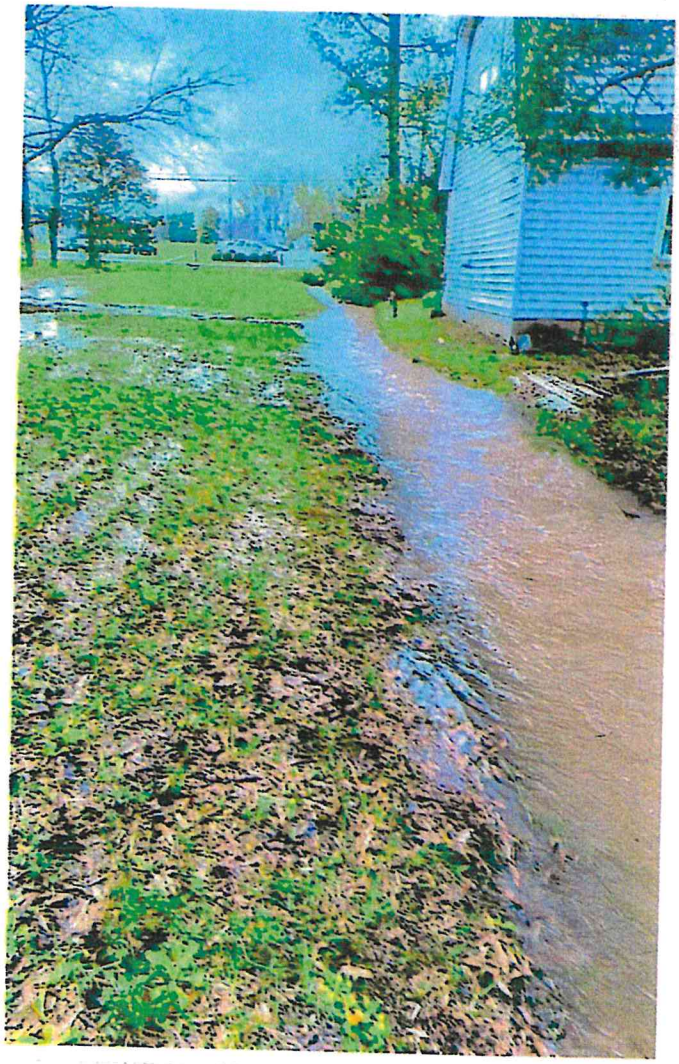
With no further business, Mayor Dorsett adjourned the Tuesday, April 26, 2022 City Council meeting.

Lewis W. Dorsett, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan T. Swaim, City Clerk

Attachment A1

Attachment A2

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