

**Town of Pilot Mountain  
Board of Commissioners Meeting  
Monday, March 18, 2021  
Work Session via Zoom 6:00 PM**

**Members Present:** Mayor Evan Cockerham, Commissioner Rachel Gilley, Commissioner Donna Kiger, Commissioner Scott Needham and Commissioner Dwight Atkins

**Staff Present:** Town Manager, Michael Boaz, Town Clerk, Holly Utt and Police Chief Robbie Jackson

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**Call to order 6:00 PM**

Mayor Cockerham called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. After a moment of silence, Commissioner Kiger led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Adoption of Agenda**

Commissioner Needham made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented and it was unanimous.

**Old Business**

**1. UDO Text Amendments**

Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve the UDO text amendments as presented and it was unanimous.

**2. Road Project Interim Financing**

Mr. Boaz explained that the town would need to secure interim financing to pay for work that the NC DOT will be doing to resurface the roads. The town will not be able to draw down funds from the USDA until the work is completed. HomeTrust Bank has offered financing for two years at 1.74%. Commissioner Atkins made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-04 and it was unanimous.

**3. Brush Collection Options**

Mr. Boaz presented options for brush collection. He recommended that the Board go with the contractor that will be doing the landscaping services for the town. They will provide the same collection method that citizens are accustomed to. Discussion ensued about the services proposed for landscaping and brush pick up. It was the consensus of the Board to have the manager draft a three year contract and present to the Board at the April meeting.

**New Business**

**1. American Rescue Plan**

Mr. Boaz explained that the President had recently signed the American Rescue Plan with a provision that allows direct allocation to local governments. The town will receive \$410,000 in two separate allocations. The first will be made by June 15, 2021 and the second later in FY 2022. Mr. Boaz stated that the current plan for the town would be use the first allocation to pay off water/sewer debt incurred by customers during the pandemic and use the remainder for

water/sewer projects. The second allocation could be used to pay off more water/sewer debt and possibly make distributions to non-profits and small businesses.

**2. Parklet/Pedlet Discussion**

Mr. Boaz explained that a parklet/pedlet would allow businesses on Main Street to have on-street seating. This would help with business restrictions due to Covid and would also give the businesses a preview of what things will look like once the streetscape is completed. Mr. Boaz asked if the Board would like staff to spend time developing guidelines for these parklet/pedlet. It was the consensus of the Board to have staff draft a proposal for review at a later date.

**3. Skatepark Discussion**

Commissioner Needham stated that he had been contacted about the possibility of a skate park. Mr. Boaz asked the Board if this is something that the town could support. Discussion ensued about location, funding and layout. Possible locations included Nelson Acres and Depot Street. Commissioner Needham also mentioned the possibility of using the water plant and connecting it to Nelson Acres.

**Other Business**

No other business to discuss.

**Adjourn or Recess**

Commissioner Collins made a motion to adjourn and it was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted:

Attest:

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Holly Utt  
Town Clerk

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Evan Cockerham  
Mayor