

MINUTES OF THE BOARD SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
OF THE TOWN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TOWN OF WILLIAMSTON, NC

March 12, 2021

The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Williamston met in special session on Friday, March 12, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Assembly room located at 102 East Main Street, Williamston, NC.

**PRESENT** Mayor Joyce Whichard-Brown  
Commissioners: Mayor Pro Tem Ronell Rodgers, Alton Moore and William Coffield  
Interim Town Administrator: Christina Craft  
Town Clerk: Jessica Godard  
Finance Officer: Linda Harrison  
Human Resources Administrator: Martha-Brown Lilley

**ABSENT** Commissioner Jerry Knox and Commissioner Al Chesson

**CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION**

The Mayor called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Commissioner Moore led the pledge of allegiance. Commissioner Coffield offered the invocation, after a moment of silence for the COVID victims and their families.

**AGENDA APPROVED**

The Mayor asked if there were any adjustments to the Agenda or if the Board wished any items to be removed or added the Agenda. *It was moved by Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Coffield, and unanimously passed to approve the agenda as presented.*

**APPOINTMENT OF TOWN CLERK**

*It was moved by Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Coffield, and unanimously passed to appoint Jessica Godard as Town Clerk. The Oath was administered by Interim Town Administrator Christina Craft.*

**CLOSED SESSION**

*It was moved by Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Rodgers to go out of special session into closed session to under Personnel per N.C.G.S. 143-318-11(a)(6). The motion passed unanimously.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Rodgers to go out of closed session and back into open special session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Coffield and passed unanimously.*

**APPOINTMENT OF TOWN ATTORNEY**

Once in open session, Mayor Whichard-Brown entertained a motion to appoint Ms. Watsi Sutton at the Town Attorney. *It was moved by Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Rodgers, and unanimously passed to cease any advertising of the Town Attorney position that was approved on March 8, 2021. It was moved by Commissioner Rodgers, seconded by Commissioner Moore, and unanimously passed to appoint Watsi Sutton as the Williamston Town Attorney.*

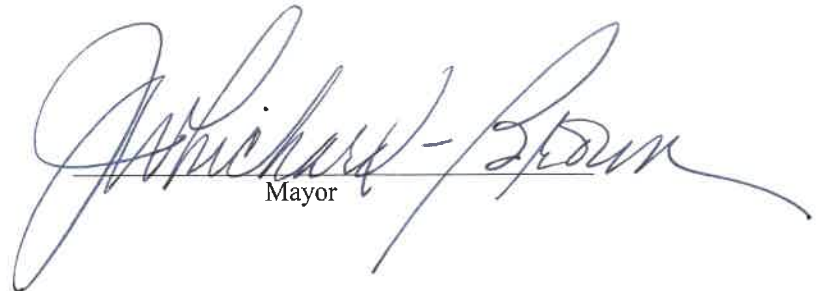
The North Carolina League of Municipalities was reviewing a contract, and the new Attorney could be sworn in after contract approval. She would be sworn in at the April 5, 2021 regular meeting.

There being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Submitted By:

Approved By:

  
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Town Clerk

  
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Mayor