



301 W. Main St.  
Town Hall  
Carrboro, NC 27510

## Town of Carrboro

### Meeting Minutes

#### Town Council

February 23, 2021

7:00 PM

Remote Meeting

**This meeting was held via Zoom teleconference and broadcasted live on cable television and the internet.**

**Present:** Mayor Lydia Lavelle, Council Member Barbara Foushee, Council Member Jacquelyn Gist, Council Member Randee Haven-O'Donnell, Council Member Susan Romaine, Council Member Damon Seils, Council Member Sammy Slade

**Also Present:** David Andrews, Town Manager; Cathy Dorando Town Clerk; Nick Herman, Town Attorney

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#### **POETRY READING**

LaToya Hankins was the guest poet and read a poem of her own called "Finding the Finer."

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#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no comments provided from the public.

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#### **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER FOUSHEE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ROMAINE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 9, 2021 MEETING. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL**

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**APPOINTMENTS TO THE ARTS COMMISSION**

The purpose of this agenda item was for the Town Council to make appointments to the Arts Commission.

**A motion was made by Council Member Foushee, seconded by Council Member Romaine, to approve the following resolution:**

A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPOINTMENT TO THE  
ARTS COMMITTEE

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPOINTS THE FOLLOWING APPLICANT(S) TO THE ARTS COMMITTEE:

<b>Appointee</b>	<b>Term Expiration</b>
Kelli Crispin	2/2023
Victoria Rovine	2/2023
Shaundra Daily	2/2024
Seamus Bestwick	2/2025
Catherine Froelich	2/2025
Bronwyn Merritt	2/2025

Section 2. This resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

This is the 23rd day of February, 2021.

**Ayes:** Mayor Lydia Lavelle, Council Member Barbara Foushee, Council Member Jacquelyn Gist, Council Member Randee Haven-O'Donnell, Council Member Susan Romaine, Council Member Damon Seils, Council Member Sammy Slade

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**APPOINTMENTS TO THE ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION**

The purpose of this item was for the Town Council to make appointments to the Economic Sustainability Commission.

**A motion was made by Council Member Foushee, seconded by Council Member Romaine, to approve the following resolution:**

A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPOINTMENT TO THE

ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPOINTS THE FOLLOWING APPLICANT(S) TO THE ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION:

<b>Appointee</b>	<b>Term Expiration</b>
David Jessee	2/2024
David Darr	2/2024
Soteria Shepperson	2/2024
Fabian Stepinski	2/2023

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**Ayes:** Mayor Lydia Lavelle, Council Member Barbara Foushee, Council Member Jacquelyn Gist, Council Member Randee Haven-O’Donnell, Council Member Susan Romaine, Council Member Damon Seils, Council Member Sammy Slade

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**PUBLIC HEARING ON LAND USE ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT RELATING TO STORMWATER MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS**

The purpose of this item was for the Town Council to hold a public hearing on a proposed amendment to Section 15-263 of the Land Use Ordinance, Management of Stormwater.

Mayor Lavelle opened the public hearing.

Tina Moon provided the staff report.

Dan Jewell provided remarks representing the applicant.

Michael Paul and Jeannette O’Connor provided comments from the Stormwater Advisory Commission and spoke against changing the stormwater requirements in the land use ordinance.

Katie Loovis read a letter from the Carrboro Business Alliance in support of the text amendment.

David Jessee spoke in support of the text amendment and stated that the Economic Sustainability Commission voted for the approval as well.

Frank Horton spoke against the ArtsCenter building in the proposed location. He expressed concern with the flooding impact on Rocky Brook.

Nerys Levy spoke in favor of the ArtsCenter.

Jason Tuelle spoke in favor of the ArtsCenter.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER SEILS, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HAVEN-O'DONNELL TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL**

The Town Manager was asked to have staff look into the use of stormwater utility funds for green roofs and other stormwater reduction measures and to also investigate low or no-interest loans to help people find ways to make stormwater reduction measures possible for commercial developments.

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**PUBLIC HEARING: CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR THE ARTSCENTER AT 315 JONES FERRY ROAD**

The purpose of this item was for the Town Council to hold a public hearing on a Conditional Use Permit application for The ArtsCenter at 315 Jones Ferry Road.

**The speakers listed below were sworn in by the Town Clerk before providing their testimony.**

James Thomas provided the staff report.

Marty Roupe, Planning/Zoning staff member, commented that OWASA is open to the permeable pavement that has been presented by the applicant.

Dan Jewell, principal partner with Coulter Jewell Thames, PA, provided the applicant's presentation. He explained that they have met two of the three stormwater requirements but are having challenges meeting the 3<sup>rd</sup> requirement regarding total annual runoff. He stated that it is not practicable for the ArtsCenter to meet all three requirements.

Preston Royster, a civil engineer specializing in stormwater management, provided testimony regarding the inability of the applicant to meet the requirement regarding the reduction of the annual runoff volume standard.

Edwin Harris, representing the applicant, spoke about the ArtsCenter and its importance to Carrboro.

Dan Mayer discussed the community meetings and information regarding neighbors of the area and the Lincoln Park neighborhood.

The applicant was asked to consider 16 bike parking spaces and to clarify if they are covered.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER SLADE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FOUSHEE TO CONTINUE THE PUBLIC HEARING TO THE MARCH 9, 2021 TOWN COUNCIL MEETING. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL**

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**WESTWOOD CEMETERY DRAFT REPORT**

This item was postponed for consideration at a future meeting.

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**APPOINTMENTS TO THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD**

The purpose of this agenda item was for the Town Council to make appointments to the Transportation Advisory Board.

A tally vote was conducted via email from each Council Member to the Town Clerk with no other Council Members copied. These were the results:

- David Swan – 7 votes (Lavelle, Foushee, Gist, Haven-O’Donnell, Romaine, Seils, Slade)
- Cummie Davis – 5 votes (Lavelle, Foushee, Gist, Haven-O’Donnell, Romaine)
- Lenore Jones-Perretto – 7 votes (Lavelle, Foushee, Gist, Haven-O’Donnell, Romaine, Seils, Slade)
- Andrew Cress – 1 vote (Seils)

**A motion was made by Council Member Gist, seconded by Council Member Haven-O’Donnell, that the following resolution be approved:**

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TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD

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Lenore Jones-Peretto	2/2024
Cummie Davis	2/2024
David Swan	2/2023

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**APPOINTMENTS TO THE GREENWAYS COMMISSION**

The purpose of this agenda item was for the Town Council to make appointments to the Greenways Commission.

A tally vote was conducted via email from each Council Member to the Town Clerk with no other Council Members copied. These were the results:

- Satya Kallepalli – 7 votes (Lavelle, Foushee, Gist, Haven-O’Donnell, Romaine, Seils, Slade)
- Mahin Manley – 7 votes (Lavelle, Foushee, Gist, Haven-O’Donnell, Romaine, Seils, Slade)
- Meredith Morovati – 4 votes (Foushee, Gist, Haven-O’Donnell, Romaine)
- Alyson West – 7 votes (Lavelle, Foushee, Gist, Haven-O’Donnell, Romaine, Seils, Slade)
- Tamara Sanders – 1 vote (Slade)
- Ryan Byers – 2 votes (Lavelle, Seils)

**A motion was made by Council Member Seils, seconded by Council Member Haven-O’Donnell, that the following resolution be approved:**

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<b>Appointee</b>	<b>Term Expiration</b>
Alyson West	2/2024
Satya Kallepalli	2/2024
Mahin Manley	2/2024
Meredith Morovati	2/2023

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**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER FOUSHEE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HAVEN-O’DONNELL, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. VOTE:**

**AFFIRMATIVE ALL**

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**Town Clerk**

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**Mayor**