

# Minutes of Special Called Meeting March 14, 2023

The Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen for the Town of Fremont, NC held a Special Called Meeting at 11:00 a.m. on March 14, 2023. Present were:

W. Darron Flowers, Mayor Joyce M. Artis, Mayor Pro tem Beatrice Jones, Alderwoman Keith L. Spivey, Alderman Leroy Ruffin, Alderman Annie Lewis, Alderwoman

Also in attendance were Town Administrator Tony Howell and Town Clerk Shannon Daly.

### **Quorum Present: Yes**

<u>Call to Order</u>: Mayor Flowers called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

**Invocation:** Alderman Ruffin gave the invocation.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Alderwoman Lewis led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Agenda:** Mayor Flowers asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Alderwoman Jones made the motion. Alderwoman Lewis seconded it. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Howell stated that he had the updated letter to the LGC and asked the Board to read it and sign if they agreed.

#### **Discussion:**

#### (1) Redistricting

Mayor Flowers said that we have 5 maps that have been presented. The Board decided to eliminate maps 1, 2, 3, and 5. There was some discussion about map 4 and it was determined that they all agreed with map 4 with two changes. First, the colors for district 2 and district 3 in the ledger need to be swapped. District two needs to be gold and district 3 needs to be orange. The second change is to add the population chart for each district on the map. Mayor Flowers asked Mr. Howell to call Mr. Livingston, the demographer, to let him know of these changes. Mr. Howell called Mr. Livingston and the Board explained these two changes.Mr. Livingston said these were relatively minor changes and he can have map 4 with

the changes ready by the end of the week. He asked Mr. Howell to email him the changes that way it will be in writing and Mr. Howell said he would.

### (2) Personnel

# **Closed Session:** Personnel – General Statute 143-318.11(6)

Mayor Flowers asked for a motion to go into Closed Session. Mayor Pro tem Artis made the motion. Alderwoman Jones seconded it. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

## **Open Session:**

Mayor Flowers asked for a motion. Mayor Pro tem Artis made a motion to appoint Alderman Keith L. Spivey as the Interim Town Administrator as of April 15<sup>th</sup>, and for him to serve in a learning capacity until that time, with a compensation that is a mutually agreeable amount. Alderwoman Jones seconded it. Alderman Spivey abstained. All others were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Spivey made a motion to accept Mr. David Anthony Howell's letter of resignation. Alderman Ruffin seconded it. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Flowers asked for a motion to adjourn. Alderman Spivey made the motion. Alderwoman Jones seconded it. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

**Encouraging Quote:** "Don't let someone else's opinion of you become your reality." – Les Brown

The meeting ended at 5:58 p.m.	
W. Darron Flowers, Mayor	Shannon L. Daly, Town Clerk