



**Special Called Meeting
August 9, 2023**

The Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen for the Town of Fremont, NC held a Special Called Meeting at 2:00 p.m. on August 9, 2023. Present were:

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

Also in attendance were Town Administrator Bob Jones, Town Clerk Shannon Daly, Town Engineer Michael McAllister, and Bobby Taylor from the Department of Water Infrastructure.

Sharon Edmundson and Debbie Tomasko from the LGC attended through a zoom call.

Quorum Present: Yes

Call to Order: Mayor Flowers called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Invocation: Alderman Ruffin gave the invocation.

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

Approval of Agenda:

Discussion: LGC staff to discuss the Fremont-Eureka Utility Agreement

Mayor Flowers stated that the purpose of this meeting is to discuss the proposed memorandum of understanding regarding sanitary sewer service between Town of Fremont and Town of Eureka.

Sharon Edmundson, from the LGC, introduced her colleague, Debbie Tomasko who is the Director of Policy, Technology and Operations of State and Local Government Finance Division. She said this meeting started at as a meeting with herself, Debbie and the administrator, and although they appreciate the enthusiasm from the Board to want to move forward with finding a solution, they are not in a position to make any final decisions today, because the LGC will have to agree to it. She said they are in a position to work with Fremont to see if they can get a more affordable rate schedule than the one that is set in place to go into effect November 1st.

There was much discussion about the rates and it was determined that Mr. Jones will have a meeting with Mrs. Edmundson and Mrs. Tomasko to try to come to a resolution,

which will be brought back to the Board for approval.

Mrs. Edmundson and Mrs. Tomasko left the zoom meeting.

The Board discussed the options of changing the rates for the Town of Eureka and the effect it would have on the Town of Fremont, and they went over the proposed memorandum. After much discussion it was determined that these issues will be addressed again after Mr. Jones meets with Mrs. Edmundson and Mrs. Tomasko.

Motion to Close Regular Meeting:

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

The meeting ended at 4:30 p.m.

Encouraging Quote: "They always say time changes things, but you actually have to change them yourself." - Andy Warhol

W. Darron Flowers, Mayor

Shannon L. Daly, Town Clerk