



**Special Called Meeting
November 18, 2024**

The Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen for the Town of Fremont, NC held a Special Called Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on November 18, 2024. Present were:

Eddie Yelverton, Mayor
Leroy Ruffin, Mayor Pro tem
Oscar Mooring, Alderman
Tim Howell, Alderman
Wayne Jackson, Alderman
Joyce M. Artis, Alderwoman

Also in attendance were Town Administrator Jonathan Allen, Interim Town Clerk Joyce M. Artis, Town Engineer Michael McAllister, and Town Attorney Brian Pridgen.

Absent: Alderwoman Annie Lewis.

Quorum Present: Yes

Call to Order: Mayor Yelverton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation: Town Administrator Jonathan gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance: Alderman Howell led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda:

Mayor Yelverton asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Alderwoman Artis made the motion. Alderman Mooring seconded it. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Closed Session: NC General Statute §143-318(a)(3)

Mayor Yelverton asked for a motion to go into closed session for Attorney-Client Privilege.

Alderman Jackson made the motion to go into closed session for Attorney-Client Privilege. Mayor Pro Tem Ruffin seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Open Session:

Payment to the City of Goldsboro

Mayor Yelverton asked for a motion to instruct Finance Officer Shannon Moats to pay the entire \$75,000 to the City of Goldsboro that the Town of Eureka paid the Town of Fremont for their

past due sewer bills.

Alderman Jackson made a motion to pay the City of Goldsboro the \$75,000 that the Town of Eureka paid to the Town of Fremont, which would help pay a portion of their sewer debt for August and September 2024. The motion was seconded by Alderman Mooring.

Mayor Yelverton asked for any discussion.

Mayor Pro Tem Ruffin asked if we should specify that we are passing along all the money that Eureka gave to Fremont when the payment to the City of Goldsboro is made.

Attorney Pridgen stated that we should include in the cover letter "This is \$75,000 received from the Town of Eureka, and the Town of Fremont is remitting the entire amount."

Finance Officer Shannon Moats asked who should the letter come from, her or the Town Administrator. Attorney Pridgen stated that the letter should come from Town Administrator Jonathan Allen. Mrs. Moats stated that she would send the \$75,000 to the City of Goldsboro on Tuesday, November 19, 2024.

All were in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Termination of the Sewer Contract with the Town of Eureka and MOU

Mayor Yelverton asked for a motion to terminate the Sewer Contract with the Town of Eureka and the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

Alderman Jackson made a motion to terminate the contract between Fremont and Eureka, which provides sewer services to the Town of Eureka, and to terminate all MOU's between the Town of Fremont and the Town of Eureka, which discusses the Town of Fremont assuming control of the sewer system of the Town of Eureka. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Artis.

Mayor Yelverton asked for any discussion. There was none.

All were in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Installation of Shut-off Valve to Stop Incoming Sewer Flow from Eureka

Mayor Yelverton asked for a motion to install a shut-off valve to stop incoming flow from Eureka.

Alderman Mooring made the motion to approve up to \$10,000 for Town Administrator Jonathan Allen to purchase and install a shut-off valve that would shut-off the incoming sewer from the Town of Eureka. Alderman Howell seconded the motion.

Mayor Yelverton asked for any discussion. There was none.

All were in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion to Close Special Called Meeting:

Mayor Yelverton asked for a motion to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem Ruffin made the motion to close the meeting. Alderman Jackson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting ended 8:04 p.m.

Eddie Yelverton, Mayor

Joyce M. Artis, Interim Town Clerk