Minutes of the Special Called Meeting

October 1, 2026

Special Called Meeting

The special called meeting of the Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen for the Town of Fremont, NC was held at 5:00 p.m. on October 1, 2026. Present were:

Eddie Yelverton, Mayor
Leroy Ruffin, Mayor Pro tem
Oscar Mooring, Alderman
Wayne Jackson, Alderman
Joyce M. Artis, Alderwoman/ Town Clerk

Absent: Tim Howell, Alderman

Quorum Present: Yes

Also, in attendance were Town Administrator Jason Smith and Ben Jones of Faltor Consulting, Goldsboro, North Carolina.

Call to Order:
Mayor Yelverton called the meeting to order at 5pm.

Invocation:
Mayor Yelverton gave the Invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance:
Alderwoman Artis led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda:
Mayor Yelverton asked if there was a motion to accept the agenda.

Alderman Jackson made a motion to approve the agenda as printed. Mayor Pro Tem Ruffin seconded the motion.

Mayor Yelverton asked for any discussion. There was none. All were in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:
Mayor Yelverton asked if there was a motion to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2026 meeting.

Alderman Mooring a motion to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2026 Regular Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro tem Ruffin.

Mayor Yelverton asked if there was any discussion. There were none. All were in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing
Mayor Yelverton opened the meeting for a public hearing. He stated that the purpose of the public hearing was to hear comments concerning the Fremont Town Board's intention of applying for funding under the CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization program. He went on to say that the proposed project would include housing rehabilitation/reconstruction, and general administration.

Mayor Yelverton also stated that the CDBG activities were proposed and scattered throughout the Town of Fremont, and that the total estimated CDBG program cost would be 1,100,000, which represents 100% of the total program costs.

Mr. Ben Jones, of Faltor Consulting, stated that the public hearing was the last required public hearing for the Community Block Development Program. He also informed the Board that the application would be sent to Raleigh by the end of the following week to ensure that it was in by the October 13, 2026 deadline.

Mr. Jones informed the Board that the surveys and selection of the homes had been completed. He also stated that alternate homes had been surveyed and selected as well.

Mr. Smith stated that, because the Town was not sure that it would be awarded the grant, the homeowners had not been informed that they had been selected to participate in the program.

No one from the public spoke during the public hearing.

Mayor Yelverton closed the public hearing.

Action:

1. **Resolution to Apply for CDBG Grant Funding for the 2026 Project**
   Mayor Yelverton asked if there was a motion on this agenda item.

   Alderman Jackson made a motion to approve the Resolution to Apply for CDBG Grant Funding for the 2026 Project. The motion was seconded by Alderman Mooring.

   Mayor Yelverton asked if there was any discussion. There were none. All were in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. **Citizen Participation Plan in the Planning, Implementation and Assessment of the CDBG Program**
   Mayor Yelverton asked if there was a motion on this agenda item.

   Alderwoman Artis made a motion to approve the Citizen Participation Plan in the Planning, Implementation and Assessment of the CDBG Program. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro tem Ruffin.

   Mayor Yelverton asked if there was any discussion. There were none. All were in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **Town of Fremont Housing Selection Committee Bylaws**
   Mayor Yelverton asked if there was a motion on this agenda item.

   Alderwoman Reid made a motion to approve the Town of Fremont Housing Selection Committee Bylaws. The motion was seconded by Alderman Jackson.

   Mayor Yelverton asked if there was any discussion. There were none. All were in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Other CDBG-NR Forms

Mayor Yelverton informed Board that, along with the three documents that were approved by the Board, he would also sign the following forms:

1. Application Summary Page
2. Federal Requirements and Certification
3. Disclosure Report
4. CDBG Program Regulations
5. Disclosure of Civil Rights Complaints
6. Certification Regarding Debarment
7. Flood Certification

Closing Prayer:

Alderwoman Reid gave the closing prayer.

Motion to Close Special Called Meeting:

Mayor Yelverton asked if there was a motion to close the meeting.

Mayor Pro tem Ruffin made a motion to close the special called meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Mooring.

Mayor Yelverton asked if there was any discussion. There were none. All were in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Yelverton adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

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Eddie Yelverton, Mayor *Joyce M. Artis, Town Clerk*