

**Town of Eastover – Work Session Meeting
Tuesday, October 17, 2024, 6:30 p.m.
Eastover Town Hall**

**x Mayor Charles G. McLaurin, Presiding;
Council Members: x Cheryl C. Hudson, x J. Lawrence Buffaloe,
 M. Stan Crumpler, Bruce R. Sykes, x Kimberly F. McPhail,
and x Frederick A. Williams**

MINUTES OF MEETING – October 17, 2024

Mayor Charles G. McLaurin, Council Members: Kimberly F. McPhail, Cheryl C. Hudson, J. Lawrence Buffaloe, Frederick A. Williams, and M. Stan Crumpler attended the October 17, 2024, Work Session Meeting. Also, in attendance was Mr. Donald Hudson, Town Attorney, Mr. Ronald Autry, Town Administrator, and Ms. Elizabeth S. Bass, Town Clerk. Council Member Bruce Sykes was absent.

Mayor Charles McLaurin called the October 17, 2024, Work Session meeting to order at 6:30p.m.

Mr. Autry gave the Council some updates on several items:

- Sales Tax Equalization-\$66,688.61 is owed to Cumberland County
- Finish park-\$245,000 left after \$293,000 spent to complete the Park
- Price on Dog Park Fence-approximately \$20,000
- Fire Pit for Ballpark-approximately \$1,000
- A donation can be made to a few organizations for Hurricane Helene survivors they are:
 1. Salvation Army
 2. NC Disaster Relief
 3. NC Baptist means
 4. American Red Cross
 5. Samaritans Purse

After some discussion the Town Council advised Mr. Autry to send the donation to Samaritans Purse.

- Playground equipment-after receiving a few more bids the total cost for all equipment labor, parts, and installation would be approximately \$20,000
- All funds have been received from the Fayetteville Arts Council

Mayor McLaurin informed the Council of the following:

- The Town Hall will be paid off in December 2024
- A new building for special events at the Ballpark might be a good concept
- Look at buying property across from ballpark to make additional parking lot

Mr. Ronald Autry suggested going through each page of the existing Eastover Ballpark Association and making changes as needed. After a lengthy discussion, the Council directed the Town Attorney, Mr. Donald Hudson, to make the changes discussed.

Council Member Bruce Sykes made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Lawrence Buffaloe seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous for approval.

Town of Eastover

Charles G. McLaurin, Mayor

Attest: _____, Town Clerk
Elizabeth S. Bass