

**CITY OF NEW BERN
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
APRIL 25, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.
CITY HALL COURTROOM
300 POLLOCK STREET**

- 1. Meeting opened by Mayor Jeffrey Odham. Prayer by Alderman Royal. Pledge of Allegiance.**
- 2. Roll Call.**

Present: Mayor Jeffrey Odham, Alderman Hazel Royal, Alderman Robert Aster, Alderman Johnnie Ray Kinsey, Alderman Barbara Best, and Alderman Robert Brinson. Absent: Alderman Rick Prill. A quorum was present.

Also Present: Foster Hughes, City Manager; Marvin Williams, Assistant City Manager; Michael Scott Davis, City Attorney; Jaimee Bullock-Mosley, Assistant City Attorney; and Brenda Blanco, City Clerk.

- 3. Approve Agenda**

Alderman Royal made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Alderman Brinson. The motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Consent Agenda

- 4. Consider Approving a Proclamation Designating April as Second Chance Month.**

Deedra Durocher, Vice President of Tried by Fire, requested a proclamation designating April as Second Chance Month. The designation focuses on community-based strategies for supporting and enhancing reentry initiatives for North Carolina women released from incarceration.

- 5. Consider Adopting a Resolution to Close the 300 Block of Middle Street for New Bern Preservation Foundation's Sunday Supper with Bill Smith and Friends.**

On behalf of the New Bern Preservation Foundation, Cathy Alix requested the 300 block of Middle Street be closed to vehicular traffic from 1:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. on May 21, 2023 for a fundraising supper. In the event of inclement weather, the fundraiser will be moved to the Harrison Center.

- 6. Approve Minutes.**

Minutes from the April 11, 2023 meeting were provided for review and approval.

Alderman Best made a motion to approve Items 4-6 of the Consent Agenda, seconded by Alderman Aster. During the discussion, Alderman Brinson brought up the need to establish a policy for handling requests for street closures. It seems there is a street closure request at every other meeting, but there does not seem to be a standard for handling them when there is opposition to the closure. He acknowledged someone indicated they were not in favor of the closure on tonight's agenda. Upon a roll-call vote, the motion carried unanimously 6-0.

7. Conduct a Public Hearing on the 2023 Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") Program Annual Action Plan.

HUD requires Entitlement Cities to submit an annual Action Plan detailing the intended use of CDBG funding. New Bern's allocation for program year 2023 is \$294,122. Staff received public comments on February 20, 2023, which have been added to the plan, along with goals intended to address priority needs. The draft plan was made available on the City's website, in the Office of Development Services, the City Clerk's office, and at the New Bern-Craven County Public Library. The \$294,122 is proposed for the following uses: \$58,824 for administration (staff salaries, planning activities, and market studies), \$70,500 to demolish up to three structures in low-moderate income areas, \$24,000 for Catholic Charities to provide rent and utility assistance for homelessness prevention, \$20,000 for staff salaries at My Sister's House, \$35,000 for improvements to the Omega Center, \$50,000 for The Village youth center to acquire adjacent properties for expanded outdoor play space, and \$35,798 to construct an outdoor, half-court basketball court in the Sunnyside community. After conducting the public hearing, no additional action is needed at this meeting. The plan will be presented for adoption at a future meeting. D'Aja Fulmore, Community Development Coordinator, shared a PowerPoint presentation to review the above and provide additional information.

Alderman Kinsey said when he was first elected CDBG funds were used to help rehab houses, and the process to qualify for assistance was very difficult. He asked why funds were no longer being used for rehabilitation. Chris Seaberg, Community and Economic Development Manager, said there is \$200,000 in the present budget to assist homeowners. No applications were received for assistance from next year's funding. However, the proposed plan is a draft and could be changed if that is the desire of the Board. Alderman Aster asked how many people applied for assistance in the current year, and Mr. Seaberg responded five to six. Alderman Aster felt additional measures were needed to get the word out. Alderman Best said several public meetings were held, but she felt word of mouth had previously been successful. Mayor Odham recalled there had been some past issues with residents meeting the income threshold or other criteria.

Mayor Odham questioned the amount designated for demolitions and why it would only cover three structures. Mr. Seaberg stated that was a conservative estimate to allow a cushion for asbestos removal. It is possible the funding could cover more than three demolitions.

Mayor Odham opened the public hearing, and the following spoke:

- Jameesha Harris of 222 Monterey Circle said it is known that the program is underutilized. Solutions are marketing, holding classes, etc. Noting Alderman Kinsey used the word “rehab”, she pointed out the funding for My Sister’s House would be used to rehabilitate women who have been incarcerated, and the Omega Center needs to be rehabbed to provide ADA accessibility. She felt all the projects were amazing, and she hoped the Board would support the plan.

Alderman Best made a motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Alderman Royal. The motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Mayor Odham said he supported the proposed projects because they affect a lot of people. He suggested the City do a better job with advertising the program.

8. City Manager’s Overview of the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget.

Mr. Hughes provided an overview of the budget for Fiscal Year 2023-24. A variety of issues will affect the budget, the biggest of which is inflation. He shared a PowerPoint slide detailing some of the projected increases: 18% in property and liability insurance, 8% in health and dental insurance premiums, 19% in chemicals, 16% in cleaning supplies, 23% in fuel, 13-20% in uniforms, 16% in police cars, 15% in route trucks, 33% in heavy equipment, 21% in dump trucks, and 7% in technology. Retirement rates for general employees will increase by 0.75% and law enforcement by 1%. The second phase of the salary study will cost \$1.2 million to implement. The Consumer Price Index (“CPI”) as of December 2022 was at 6.50%. This will be considered when looking at a possible cost-of-living adjustment (“COLA”) and merit increase.

Mr. Hughes reviewed goals for next year’s budget and the impact of the property tax revaluation. The valuation came in at \$4.7 billion, and the revenue neutral tax rate has been calculated at 0.3734%. One cent of an increase yields \$472,000. A budget workshop is scheduled for May 02, 2023 at 1 p.m. at City Hall and will continue to May 03, 2023, if needed. The proposed budget will be distributed to the Board on May 9th followed by a public hearing on May 23rd and adoption of the budget anticipated on June 13th.

Alderman Royal questioned if the price for a fire pumper would be locked in if the equipment is ordered next fiscal year, but not received until 2027. Mr. Hughes confirmed the price would be locked in as the truck would be paid for at the time it is ordered.

Mayor Odham asked if the Manager would be providing the Board with a proposed budget, and Mr. Hughes stated that would be given to them at the workshop. Alderman Kinsey inquired as to why the budget notebooks were not being distributed to the Board prior to the workshop, and Mr. Hughes said he did not want to distribute a proposed budget that would have additional changes.

Mayor Odham said the initial valuation information from Craven County was later revised and did not include the Municipal Service District ("MSD"). He asked if staff ever learned why there was a difference in the two numbers. Kim Ostrom, Director of Finance, stated the difference represented an update in the County's calculation.

9. Consider Adopting a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with TRC Engineers, Inc. for Environmental Consulting Services to be Performed Under the Brownfields Assessment Grant Program.

The Environmental Protection Agency selected New Bern to receive a Brownfields Assessment Grant to perform environmental assessments of properties and conceptual planning for property redevelopment/remediation. The Brownfields sites have potentially been impacted by hazardous substances and petroleum. A Request for Qualifications ("RFQ") was issued seeking an individual or firm to provide environmental consulting services for the Brownfields Assessment Project. Six qualified responses were received and evaluated, and TRC Engineers, Inc. received the highest score. Staff recommends the City Manager be authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with TRC Engineers. At Alderman Aster's request, Mr. Seaberg explained what is considered a Brownfields site and the intent of remediating any environmental issues.

Alderman Brinson asked how the sites would be selected. Mr. Seaberg stated the sites would be commercial properties that could be viable for economic development. Two sites being considered are the former Days Inn location and a property on Main Street.

Alderman Best made a motion to adopt a resolution authorizing the execution of a contract with TRC Engineers, Inc. for environmental consulting services to be performed under the Brownfields Assessment Grant Program, seconded by Alderman Brinson. Upon a roll-call vote, the motion carried unanimously 6-0.

10. Consider Adopting a Resolution to Approve a Consolidated Lease with Craven Community College for the VOLT Center.

Craven Community College requested to lease the entire VOLT Center campus and to consolidate its existing leases into one lease with a 20-year term. The initial lease was entered into in 2017 with two subsequent leases in 2020 and one in 2021.

Mayor Odham asked if there was an "out" clause for both parties, noting 20 years is a long term. Mr. Davis confirmed the parties could agree to an amendment,

and he believed the lease provided an opportunity for the College to terminate the lease if the property no longer suits its needs. Dr. Raymond Staats, President of Craven Community College, briefly reviewed the use of the VOLT Center and its success.

Alderman Royal made a motion to approve a consolidated lease with Craven Community College for the VOLT Center, seconded by Alderman Aster. Upon a roll-call vote, the motion carried unanimously 6-0.

11. Consider Adopting an Ordinance to Amend Section 66-85 City-Sponsored Events.

Organizers of Juneteenth of New Bern requested to be added to the list of city-sponsored events. Services sought include barricades, staff, and equipment for set up, public safety to include Police and Fire presence, a fireworks permit, fire engine pumper, use of the mobile stage and bleachers, trash cans and trash removal, installation of banners, water tank, and electrical access for a total cost of \$6,943.

Alderman Aster made a motion to adopt an ordinance to amend Section 66-85 City-Sponsored Events, seconded by Alderman Kinsey. Upon a roll-call vote, the motion carried unanimously 6-0.

12. Consider Adopting a Budget Ordinance Amendment for FY 2022-23.

This budget amendment appropriates \$30,000 in the General Fund for the service and maintenance of the Fire Department's ladder one truck, the cost of which exceeded available funds in the department's Garage Repair & Maintenance budgeted line. Additionally, the General Fund is also amended to appropriate \$31,577 to Parks and Recreation's facilities division to cover project expenses for the Pleasant Hill Community Center. Further amendments are needed to cover increased costs for fuel, utilities, and the correction of billing for streetlights. Those amendments will include transfers from respective fund balances in the following amounts: General Fund \$273,300, Water Fund \$50,700, Sewer Fund \$308,200, Electric Fund \$73,400, and Solid Waste Fund \$19,700.

Mayor Odham asked how the sewer fund's days of cash on hand would be impacted by the transfer. Mrs. Ostrom was not aware but did not think it would trigger any alarms.

Alderman Best made a motion to adopt a budget ordinance amendment for FY 2022-23, seconded by Alderman Brinson. Upon a roll-call vote, the motion carried unanimously 6-0.

13. Discussion of Redevelopment Commission's Recommendation to Accept ARP Funds to Develop Affordable Housing at 203 and 207 Jones Street.

As discussed at the January 10, 2023 meeting, Alderman Aster desires to use some of his American Rescue Plan ("ARP") funds to develop small, affordable housing at 203 and 207 Jones Street. The Redevelopment Commission's housing work group reviewed the proposal and discussed the details at the Redevelopment Commission's meeting on April 12, 2023. The Commission unanimously voted to support a recommendation that the Board of Alderman consider authorizing the use of the ARP funds to develop affordable housing at the proposed Jones Street location. The property is owned by the Redevelopment Commission.

Kip Peregoy, a commissioner with the Redevelopment Commission, recalled the Commission made a presentation before the Board several months ago about the proposed development of the Jones Street properties. Afterwards, they learned the Commission could not own rental properties. After reassessing the use of the property, the proposal now is to combine the two properties into a single lot and then subdivide it into three individual properties on which three homes will be built to sell and sold to low to moderate-income families.

Beth Walker, also a commissioner, discussed the sample plans for the suggested two-bedroom homes with approximately 800-900 square feet. After preparing a cost estimate and discussing the project with contractors, the Commission feels that all three of the homes will fall within the budget provided.

Alderman Royal asked about the estimated sale price for the homes. Mr. Peregoy stated the cost would be based on market value once the homes are built and appraised. There is a possibility that the Commission will lose money on the project.

Alderman Brinson asked if the process for screening applicants and selling the homes had been determined. In response, Mr. Peregoy said the Commission would work with City staff to ensure applicants qualify as low to moderate-income. Offers will then be considered, and the number of applicants will shrink significantly based on their ability to obtain financing. Alderman Aster asked if the Commission would be able to assist with the process of obtaining financing. Theresa Lee, Chair of the Commission, said locally there are several certified housing counselors, including herself. A lot of help is available for low to moderate-income families, including downpayment assistance.

Alderman Brinson asked if Development Services would assume administration of the Commission since the Executive Director's last day is Friday. Mr. Hughes said the Assistant City Manager will be working with the Commission. Mayor Odham asked if one of the options would be for all qualified bidders to participate in an upset bid process. Although it is an option, Mr. Davis felt that may be cumbersome considering financing would be involved. A lottery is another option, and there may be other possibilities. The Mayor also asked whether Habitat had

been consulted as to how it may assist since Habitat works with these scenarios all the time. Mrs. Lee said there had been conversations with Habitat, but noted Habitat finances the homes they build. The Commission will make the process as easy as possible.

Pursuant to statute, Mayor Odham noted the Commission cannot rent the homes and generate a perpetual revenue stream. He wanted everyone to understand that instead of making money, the Commission will now utilize grant funding to build homes and will lose money. Mr. Davis noted proceeds from the sales could be redeployed to further housing projects.

Alderman Aster made a motion to utilize ARP funds not to exceed \$547,000 to build three new, small homes on the properties at 203 and 207 Jones Street, seconded by Alderman Best. The motion carried 5-1 with Alderman Kinsey voting against it.

14. Discussion of Potential Location for Pepsi Museum.

During the Board's meeting on April 11, 2023, representatives from Bradham's Legacy made a presentation requesting approval for the City to apply for a Rural Transformation Grant for the Pepsi Museum. At that time, representatives did not think the location of the museum was required for the application. However, it became evident to the grant writer that the location was a requirement and must be determined before applying. There are three potential locations owned by the City: the vacant lot at the corner of South Front and Hancock Streets, 408 Hancock Street, or 925 Broad Street (old Days Inn site).

Mayor Odham said although he continues to be a strong proponent of the Pepsi Museum, he was not supportive of rushing to make decisions and was not ready to vote on a location that has not been vetted or received enough public input. He was not interested in applying for a few-hundred-thousand-dollar grant that could be a million-dollar mistake down the road. Alderman Kinsey asked if anyone could clarify the amount of the grant, and Mayor Odham thought the original amount of \$950,000 would be requested, but that the award was not likely to be that much. John Haroldson, Chairman of Bradham's Legacy, said the grant administrator in Raleigh felt based on the number of applications received, the grants would be about half the size of what was awarded in the first two rounds. This is the final round of awards, and there are limited funds remaining. Optimistically, awards will be around the \$400,000 range.

Alderman Royal asked how the requirement to designate a location was missed. Mr. Haroldson said Bradham's Legacy was under the impression the property must be city-owned, but it was not made clear that the property must be identified at the time of the grant application. The verbiage in the requirements was foggy and unclear that a specific site must be identified. Clarification came from the administrator in Raleigh.

In lieu of the Pepsi Museum, Mayor Odham inquired as to whether any other projects could qualify for the grant. Mr. Hughes said projects must meet certain criteria and be shovel ready. The Stanley White Recreation Center ("SWRC") project would qualify for the funding. Bids were opened today for that project. Out of the five bids received, the lowest ranged from \$12.9 million to \$13.3 million. Bids came in lower than the anticipated estimate of approximately \$14 million. After vetting the bids, staff will present at the Board's next meeting a resolution to award the contract. A FEMA grant of more than \$7 million has been received for the project, as well as \$500,000 in insurance proceeds and some funding from the state. However, the City will have to make up the difference in the cost of the project. The Rural Transformation Grant could be used as part of that difference.

Alderman Kinsey said he would like to make a motion that the old firemen's museum be listed on the grant application as the site of the Pepsi Museum. Before the motion, Alderman Aster wanted to discuss the condition of the building and said it was his understanding the old firemen's museum would cost more to fix than the building is worth. Mr. Hughes noted a new roof had been installed and the structure and stucco were in good shape, but there is rotting at the doors. The footprint of the building would have to be expanded as it is not big enough. Municipal Service District funds could not be used at this location since the site of the old firemen's museum is not located in the MSD.

Alderman Best asked about the lot on the corner of Hancock and South Front Streets, noting it was purchased with MSD funds, and questioned how the other two locations came into consideration. Mayor Odham said a previous Board had discussed the corner lot on Hancock Street. Alderman Prill sent an email to the Board this weekend which stated the corner of Hancock and South Front Streets was his last choice. Mr. Hughes reviewed the results of a very informal survey that was conducted on social media: 75% favored the old Days Inn site, 12.5% favored 408 Hancock Street, and 12.5% favored the lot at the corner of Hancock and South Front Streets. Mayor Odham pointed out the survey was performed on Facebook, anyone with a Facebook account could participate, and it was very unscientific. Participants likely chose the Days Inn location because the site is vacant.

Alderman Aster felt the museum needed to be within walking distance and close to Tryon Palace, the Firemen's Museum, and the Civil War Museum. He also felt it needed to be in the MSD so MSD funds could be utilized for the museum.

Alderman Brinson agreed with Mayor Odham that this would be a rushed decision. He believed there were other opportunities and better locations that the City does not currently own. He would rather apply for a grant that could be used for a project that is ready, such as SWRC. Alderman Aster agreed and said he would rather table the decision about the museum's location. He also pointed out the museum is not shovel ready. Alderman Best also agreed that the Board did not have to decide about the museum now, but could utilize the grant for SWRC.

Alderman Kinsey asked Margaret Shields, the grant writer, if the grant would allow for the museum location to be changed after an award is received. Mrs. Shields said it was possible to reach back out to the Department of Commerce after the award, but it is unknown if a change in location would be approved.

Alderman Kinsey made a motion to utilize the address of the old Firemen's Museum to apply for the grant. The motion died for lack of a second.

Alderman Best made a motion to give the City Manager direction to have the grant writer move forward with the Rural Transformation grant application for the SWRC project, seconded by Alderman Royal. Upon a roll-call vote, the motion carried unanimously 6-0.

15. Appointment(s).

Alderman Aster made a motion to appoint Gary Clemmons to the Friends of the Firemen's Museum Board, seconded by Alderman Best. The motion carried unanimously 6-0. Mr. Clemmons will fill the remainder of David Pickens' term for Seat 9, which expires April 22, 2024.

Alderman Best made a motion to reappoint Henry Watson to the Friends of the Firemen's Museum Board, seconded by Alderman Aster. Mr. Watson will continue to serve in Seat 5, and his term will expire April 22, 2026.

16. Attorney's Report.

The City Attorney had nothing to report.

17. City Manager's Report.

- Noting the Board voted at its last meeting to approve a personal observance day that could be used for Juneteenth, Mr. Hughes asked for clarification as to whether that is to be enacted this year or in 2024. Alderman Brinson said since he made the motion, he would like to implement it in FY23-24. Alderman Best felt the way the holiday was brought forth that it did not recognize Juneteenth as a City paid holiday where all employees regardless of race or ethnicity could observe Juneteenth. The City closes for July 4th and all employees observe that day. She felt the personal observance day was a slap in the face to black and brown citizens and employees. She was very upset at the time the Board took action and felt moving forward the topic needs to be discussed more in depth. Employees and citizens have reached out to her, and she thought Juneteenth should be a paid, closed holiday just like July 4th. Mayor Odham noted the action carried by a vote of 6-1 to add a 13th floating holiday that could be observed by employees on a day of their choice, including Juneteenth. Although she voted in favor of the observance, Alderman Best stated she was very upset afterwards as the day should be a paid holiday that is observed by all employees on the same day. Mayor Odham said the question now is whether the previous motion to observe a day

should start with this calendar year or wait until next year. Alderman Brinson said he had no problem starting the observance this calendar year and employees who want to take off this Juneteenth could do so. He then stated he was making that his motion, which was seconded by Alderman Aster. Alderman Royal asked for clarity on the motion, and Mayor Odham explained the motion was to start the previously approved action of adding a 13th paid holiday that could be used anytime during the calendar year at the employee and management's discretion starting now instead of 2024. Upon a roll-call vote, the motion carried 5-1 with Mayor Odham voting against it. Before casting her vote, Alderman Best confirmed with the City Attorney that she could relaunch this topic at any time for the Board to consider revising the holiday.

- The grand opening of the Pleasant Hill Community Center was held yesterday. The facility will be open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and programs will be held in the evenings and on weekends. Summer camps and afterschool programs will be scheduled, and the center will be open to the public for rental.
- The Great Lake Fire affected a lot of citizens over the weekend. Like its citizens, the City has been frustrated with the lack of information. Yesterday morning, Mr. Hughes spoke with a representative of the Southern Area Red Incident Management Team who took over the operations on Sunday. A meeting was held today, at which time the following announcements were made: 245 personnel are working to mitigate the fire, additional teams will arrive in the coming days to assist, the fire spans 32,400 acres and is 30% contained. The goal is to keep the fire contained in the forest to protect nearby homes, businesses, and other infrastructure. Crews are working with Weyerhaeuser to dig trenches along roadways and to set backfires to prevent spreading. Airtankers are also being used to drop water on the fire. The need to drop a fire retardant is not anticipated. Helicopters and drones are being utilized to monitor the fire from above and attack spot fires. The wildfire will burn for the foreseeable future. With changing winds, more smokey days can be expected. The forestry service and management team will be here for weeks and possibly months before the entire fire is extinguished. At this point, evacuations are not anticipated. If that should change, affected municipalities and local media will be notified immediately. New Bern's practice is to go door-to-door to alert residents when there is a need to evacuate. Social media and New Bern Alerts will also be utilized.

18. New Business.

Alderman Best

An update was requested on the paving of Main, Raleigh, and Washington Streets. Citizens are complaining that their vehicles are being damaged from the potholes. Mr. Hughes said he would check with the Director of Public Works and have information shared on social media. Alderman Best asked that the potholes be filled until the repaving can take place.

(Alderman Kinsey momentarily stepped out of the room at 7:51 p.m.)

A Duffyfield cleanup is scheduled for May 5th and May 6th at 9 a.m. Volunteers will meet at Henderson Park.

Thanks to those who attended Pleasant Hill Community Center's grand opening.

Alderman Royal

The retirement of Pastor Robert Johnson will be celebrated on May 7th with a floating reception. Rev. Johnson has been a blessing to the community.

A proclamation was approved this evening recognizing Second Chance Month. The Second Chance Act supports state, local governments, and nonprofits in their work to reduce recidivism and improve outcomes for people returning from state and federal prisons.

(Alderman Kinsey returned to the room at 7:54 p.m.).

Comments were made at the April 11th meeting by Alderman Brinson and Alderman Aster about their disappointment in the majority vote to table the decision regarding the grant application for the Pepsi Museum. The issue was tabled to adequately respond to questions and concerns and to review updated information provided to the Board. Most concerning to her was the statement that the time taken to address the concerns resulted in a wasted two weeks. She felt the statement was disrespectful to the Board's colleagues and herself. John Haroldson, Chair of Bradham's Legacy, advised the Board that there were errors and miscalculations in the original document, and she did not have an opportunity to read the updated document. To make an informed decision, one must have information. As aldermen, serving the citizens of New Bern is at the core of their roles. Citizens have a right to be heard and acknowledged, and the Board has a responsibility to represent the citizens and their concerns. Due to racial climates in cities across the nation, officials must be sensitive with their words and delivery. They must learn to work in unity. If the Board wants to see "everything comes together here", which is the city's slogan, then it must operate in a way that makes every citizen feel included and treated with respect. The only way to do this is by allowing each alderman to make educated and sound decisions based on accurate information and to hear and respect the wishes and needs of the community and its citizens without extraneous disrespectful comments. Everyone has the right to agree or disagree, but must be inclusive and mindful that every voice has value.

Alderman Kinsey

Ephesus Seventh Day Adventist Church invites the Board and citizens to celebrate with them on April 29, 2023 at 9:15 a.m.

Mayor Odham

To be respectful and inclusive of the comments Alderman Prill shared with the full Board over the weekend, Mayor Odham asked if the comments could be entered into the minutes. The City Attorney confirmed the comments could be incorporated into the minutes and that he would confer with the City Clerk. The

Mayor stated he wanted to go on record to say that he did not want City Hall turned into a Pepsi Museum.

19. Closed Session.

A closed session was not needed.

20. Adjourn.

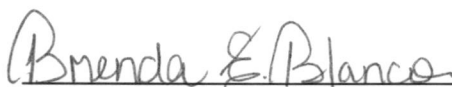
Alderman Royal made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Kinsey. The motion carried unanimously 6-0, time being 8:01 p.m.

The attached documents are incorporated herewith and are hereby made a part of these minutes.

NOTE: For additional details and information on the Board of Aldermen meetings, please visit the City of New Bern's website at www.newbernnc.gov. Video and audio recordings of the meeting have been archived.

Minutes approved: May 09, 2023



Jeffrey T. Odham, Mayor

Brenda E. Blanco, City Clerk