



**Town of Haw River  
Special Budget  
Town Council Meeting Minutes  
Monday, May 20, 2024**

The Haw River Town Council held its regular meeting on Monday, May 20, 2024, in the Haw River Municipal Building at 6:00 pm.

Council Members Present: Mayor Kelly Allen, Mayor Pro-Tem Lee Lovette, Steven Lineberry, Patty Wilson, and Shawn Riggan.

Members Absent: None

Other Members Present: Town Manager Sean Tencer, Town Clerk Lesley Gonzalez, Assistant Police Chief Brian Phillips, Public Works Director Robert Brewer, Parks & Recreation Director Jesus Campos Garcia, Fire Chief Tyler Franklin, Town Attorney Charlie Davis.

Mayor Allen called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and gave the invocation.

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## **New Business**

Proposal for the Fiscal Year Budget 2024-2025 was presented to the Town Council by Town Manager Sean Tencer.

Highlights:

- Property Tax Value will remain the same at \$.44/\$100 value. This will generate \$1,145,554.00 in revenue.
- Sales tax will increase by 2% (NC League of Municipality projected sales tax at 2.25%).
- Sales Tax revenue will generate \$888,782.00.

- Town Employees will have a new Medical Insurance carrier. Changing from MedCost to Aetna per NCLM change beginning July 1, 2024. Premiums increased by 5% per employee.
- MERP will be reimbursed \$25,000.00 for the upcoming year.
- NC State Pension Retirement rate increased for General Employees from 12.85% to 13.6%.
- NC State Pension Retirement rate increased for Police Employees from 14.10% to 15.10%.
- A 3% COLA salary increase is proposed for town staff.
- Garbage and Recycling rates will remain the same.
- C-Com rates did not increase.
- Animal Shelter fees increased from \$15,002 to \$18,880.01.
- Property Liability insurance premiums increased by 20%.
- Code Enforcement costs will remain at \$16,000.
- No increase in miscellaneous town fees.

#### **Administration Department:**

- Requested 1 employee to assist town staff with financing, and customer service

#### **Police Department:**

- 1 Police Officer - for coverage at night shift
- SRO is still funded by \$75,000 from Alamance County

#### **Fire Department:**

- No specific request
- Will be allocating the \$6.1 million grant
- Plans are to pay off current Fire Engine loan for Engine #43

#### **Parks & Recreation:**

- Purchase a new lawn mower (Toro Tractor) around \$11,000

#### **Public Works:**

- One new maintenance employee
- Purchase 1 new pickup truck

#### **Water Sewer**

- City of Burlington increased water by 5% and sewer by 5%, which will be passed on to town residents
- 5% will be increased also for Orange Alamance Water

- Town had been awarded a grant for \$9.1 million several months ago, which is currently in process to complete several water/sewer projects throughout the town
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A public meeting for public comments will be scheduled for June 3, 2024, at our next schedule Town Council meeting.

Councilmember Lineberry made a motion to set the public meeting for FY 24-25 Budget as presented. Councilmember Riggan seconded the motion.

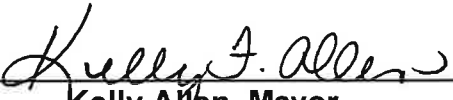
Motion carried 5-0

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Mayor Allen asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Riggan made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Lineberry seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0

Council Adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

  
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Kelly Allen, Mayor

  
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Lesley Gonzalez, Town Clerk