



**MINUTES**  
**WENTWORTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
December 6, 2022  
7:00 pm  
Wentworth Town Hall  
124 Peach Tree Road, Wentworth NC

The Wentworth Town Council held their regularly scheduled monthly meeting at the Wentworth Town Hall, on Tuesday, December 6, 2022 at 7:00pm.

**Council Members Present:** Mayor Dennis Paschal Jr., Mayor Pro Tem Evelyn Conner, Cheryl Moore, Dennis Paschal III, Daryl Crowder

**Council Members Absent:**  
A quorum was met.

**Staff Present:** Yvonne Russell, Town Clerk/ Finance Officer  
Hunter Wilson, Accounting Clerk/ Deputy Clerk

**Others Present:** Ellis Martin, Attorney, Fox Rothschild LLP – Town of Wentworth  
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**Article I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Dennis Paschal Jr. called the meeting to order.

**Article II. INVOCATION**

Mayor Paschal gave the invocation.

Mayor Paschal thanked Yvonne Russell, Hunter Wilson, Town Council, Wentworth Elementary, and the Rockingham County Sheriff's Office for their work in organizing the Wentworth Christmas in the Park event. He also thanked the citizens that attended the event and made it such a success.

**Article III. APPROVAL OF TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA**

- A. Requests and Petitions of Citizens
- B. Approve/ Amend Agenda

Mayor Paschal made a **MOTION**, "*We approve the agenda as written.*"

Mayor Pro Tem Evelyn Conner seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

**Article IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. Town Council Meeting – November 1, 2022

Mayor Paschal made a **MOTION**, "*The minutes be approved as written.*"

Councilmember Dennis Paschal III seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

**Article V. OLD BUSINESS**  
There was no old business.

**Article VI. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Consideration of Grant Project Ordinance Amendment No. 2, for the Town of Wentworth Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds**

**Mayor Paschal** made a **MOTION**, “*We approve the Grant Project Ordinance Amendment No.2 for the Town of Wentworth Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.*”

**Councilmember Paschal III** seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

(Note: Amendment No. 2 for the Town of Wentworth Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Grant Project Ordinance is herein incorporated and made a part of these minutes.)

**Grant Project Ordinance**

*Amendment No. 2*

**(Special Revenue Fund)**

For The Town of Wentworth

Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Wentworth, North Carolina that, pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following grant project ordinance is hereby adopted:

**Section 1:** This ordinance is to establish a budget for a project to be funded by the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds of H.R. 1319 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (CSLRF). The Town of Wentworth is estimated to receive the first tranche in the amount of \$433,429 of CSLRF funds. The total allocation is \$866,858, with the remainder to be distributed to the town within 12 months. These funds may be used for the following categories of expenditures, to the extent authorized by state law.

1. Support public health expenditures, by funding COVID-19 mitigation efforts, medical expenses, behavioral healthcare, and certain public health and safety staff;
2. Address negative economic impacts caused by the public health emergency, including economic harms to workers, households, small businesses, impacted industries, and the public sector;
3. Replace lost public sector revenue, using this funding to provide government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue experienced due to the pandemic;
4. Provide premium pay for essential workers, offering additional support to those who have borne and will bear the greatest health risks because of their service in critical infrastructure sectors; and,
5. Invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure, making necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water, support vital wastewater and stormwater infrastructure, and to expand access to broadband internet.

**Section 2:** The Town has elected to take the standard allowance, as authorized by 31 CFR Part 35.6(d)(1) and expend all its ARP/CSLRF funds for the provision of government services.

**Section 3: The following amounts are appropriate for the project and authorized for expenditure:**

Internal Project Code	Project Description	Expenditure Category (EC)	Cost Object	Appropriation of ARP/CSLFRF Funds
001	Administration services for period of March 2, 2021 through March 31, 2022	6.1	Salaries	\$122,084
			Benefits	\$32,897
001	Purchase of Equipment – Wentworth Consolidated School Site	6.1	Security Camera System	21,315
	Unassigned			\$690,562
	<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$866,858</b>

**Section 4: The following revenues are anticipated to be available to complete the project:**

ARP/CSLFRF Funds: \$866,858  
 General Fund Transfer: \$0  
 Total: \$866,858

**Section 5:** The Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of the grantor agency and the grant agreements, including payroll documentation and effort certifications, in accordance with 2 CFR 200.430 & 2 CFR 200.431 and the Town’s Uniform Guidance Allowable Costs and Cost Principles Policy.

**Section 6:** The Finance Officer is hereby directed to report the financial status of the project to the governing board on a quarterly basis.

**Section 7:** Copies of this grant project ordinance shall be furnished to the Budget-Finance Officer, and to the Clerk to Town Council.

**Section 8:** This grant project ordinance is effective as of March 3, 2021, and expires on December 31, 2026, or when all the CSLRF funds have been obligated and expended by the town, whichever occurs sooner.

Amended this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2022

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_

R. Dennis Paschal Jr., Mayor

- Article VI.      **B. Adoption of Meeting Schedules for 2023**
1. Wentworth Town Council
  2. Wentworth Planning Board & Board of Adjustment

Mayor Paschal made a MOTION, “We approve the Town Council meeting schedule for 2023”.

Councilmember Daryl Crowder seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Paschal made a MOTION, “We approve the 2023 meeting schedule for the Wentworth Planning Board and Board of Adjustment.”

Mayor Pro Tem Conner seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

*(Note: The meeting schedules for the Wentworth Town Council and Planning board are herein incorporated and made a part of these minutes.)*

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**WENTWORTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**2023 MEETING SCHEDULE**

**124 PEACH TREE ROAD**

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**SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS**  
**7:00 p.m.**

January 3, 2023	July 11, 2023*
February 7, 2023	August 1, 2023
March 7, 2023	September 5, 2023
April 4, 2023	October 3, 2023
May 2, 2023	November 9, 2023*
June 6, 2023	December 5, 2023

*\*If a regular meeting day is a legal holiday, the meeting shall be held on Tuesday of the next week. If a regular meeting day is on an election day, the meeting shall be held on the Thursday after Election Day.*

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Yvonne Russell, Town Clerk

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## **PLANNING BOARD**

### **2023 MEETING SCHEDULE**

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#### **SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS**

**7:00 p.m.**

**January 17, 2023**

**February 21, 2023**

**March 21, 2023**

**April 18, 2023**

**May 16, 2023**

**June 20, 2023**

**July 18, 2023**

**August 15, 2023**

**September 19, 2023**

**October 17, 2023**

**November 21, 2023**

**December 19, 2023**

**NOTE:**

If there are no planning and zoning applications/requests filed with the Rockingham County Planning Department, the Wentworth Planning Board may not meet.

(Meetings are normally held the third Tuesday of each month at the Wentworth Town Hall - 124 Peach Tree Road - 7:00 p.m.)

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**Yvonne Russell, Town Clerk**

Article VI. C. Adoption of Holiday Schedule for 2023

Mayor Paschal made a MOTION, "We approve the Holiday Schedule for 2023."

Mayor Pro Tem Conner seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

(Note: The Town of Wentworth Holiday Schedule is herein incorporated and made a part of these minutes.)



## TOWN OF WENTWORTH 2023 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

HOLIDAY	OBSERVANCE DATE	DAY OF THE WEEK
New Year's Day	January 2, 2023	Monday
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	January 16, 2023	Monday
Good Friday	April 7, 2023	Friday
Memorial Day	May 29, 2023	Monday
Independence Day	July 4, 2023	Tuesday
Labor Day	September 4, 2023	Monday
Veterans Day	November 10, 2023	Friday
Thanksgiving	November 23 & 24, 2023	Thursday & Friday
Christmas	December 25, 26 & 27 2023	Mon/Tues/Wed

Adopted by the Wentworth Town Council  
December 6, 2022

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Yvonne Russell, Town Clerk

**Article VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No one signed the speaker register for public comments.

**Article VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Mayor Paschal** made the following announcements:

- The next regular meeting of the **Wentworth Planning Board** is scheduled for **Tuesday, December 20, 2022**, at **7:00 pm** at the Wentworth Town Hall.
- The next regular meeting of the **Wentworth Town Council** is scheduled for **Tuesday, January 3, 2023**, at **7:00 pm** at the Wentworth Town Hall.
- The **Town Hall** will be **closed Friday, December 23, Monday-Tuesday, December 26 and 27, 2022** in observance of **Christmas**.
- The **Town Hall** will be **closed Monday, January 2, 2023** in observance of **New Year's Day**.

**Article IX. ADJOURN**

**Mayor Paschal** made a **MOTION**, "*We adjourn*".

**Mayor Pro Tem Conner** seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted By:

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Yvonne Russell, NCCMC  
Town Clerk

Approved By:

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Dennis Paschal, Jr.

Mayor