CITY OF EDEN, N. C.

The regular meeting of the City Council, City of Eden, was held on Tuesday, July 17, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 308 E. Stadium Drive. Those present for the meeting were as follows:

Mayor: (absent) Neville Hall Council Members: Bernie Moore

> Jim Burnette Angela Hampton Jerry Epps

Jerry Epps Darryl Carter Jerry Ellis Sylvia Grogan Brad Corcoran

City Manager: Brad Corcorar
City Clerk: Deanna Hunt
City Attorney: Erin Gilley

Representatives from Departments:

News Media: Roy Sawyers, Rockingham Update

Steve Lawson, Rockingham Now

MEETING CONVENED:

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette called the regular meeting of the Eden City Council to order and welcomed those in attendance. He explained that the Council meets the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. and works from a prepared agenda; however, time would be set aside for business not on the printed agenda.

INVOCATION:

Council Member and Pastor Jerry Epps of First Church of the Living God gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Fire Chief Tommy Underwood.

RECOGNITIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

a. Recognition of Karastan's 90th Anniversary.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette called on Economic Development Director Mike Dougherty.

Mr. Dougherty introduced Darin Quesinberry, Karastan plant manager. Mr. Dougherty said that on April 8, 1928, the Karastan brand was launched as the first rug came off the loom at 2:00 p.m. in the Eden facility. Marshall Field built a loom capable of recreating the detailed craftsmanship and luxurious look of handwoven rugs. The Karastan name became synonymous with elegant machine-made rugs that rivaled their handmade counterparts. In 1934 at the Chicago World's Fair, the Karastan Wonder Rug became a sensation admired by millions who marveled at its

beauty and attested to its durability and quality. Over 5 million people walked on the Karastan rug which was then cleaned to show the contrast between its work and newly pristine sides proving that it was able to regain its original beauty and luster. Many advances in manufacturing carpeting and rugs had been made at the facility over the years. In 2015, Karastan expanded its Eden plant adding aircraft carpet to its product portfolio. It was currently the largest aircraft carpet manufacturer supplying product to Delta, Southwest Airlines, United Continental, JetBlue, Quantas, Boeing and Airbus. That kind of expansion was a good story from 2015. The Eden Karastan plant celebrated its 90th anniversary because local management, elected officials and other staff worked to save the facility. On behalf of the Mayor and Eden City Council, Mr. Dougherty congratulated Mr. Quesinberry, the Karastan management team and the almost 300 employees for making such fine products and being a part of the Eden community for so many years. He hoped they stayed another 90.

Mr. Quesinberry thanked the Mayor, City Council and Mr. Dougherty for the recognition on behalf of Mohawk Industries. Karastan had been a proud member of the Eden community for many years. Mohawk had been a strong advocate of the Eden plant with the Karastan brand. Karastan was proud to be a highly recognized brand in the carpet and flooring industry. Eden had carried that Karastan brand a long way. He thanked the Rockingham County Economic Group and County Commissioners for their support. In 2015, Karastan had a good opportunity, as Mr. Dougherty mentioned, and with the support of the local and state government they were able to expand the Eden facility. He hoped to be back in 10 years to celebrate Karastan's centennial anniversary.

SET MEETING AGENDA:

A motion was made by Council Member Carter to set the meeting agenda. Council Member Ellis seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- a. (1) Consideration of a zoning text amendment request and adoption of an Ordinance to amend Section 11.24(k)(1) of the City of Eden Zoning Ordinance to add restaurants with drive-through windows and mini-storage facilities as permitted uses in the BH-1 District.
 - (2) Consideration of a Resolution adopting a statement of consistency regarding the amendment of Section 11.24(k)(1) of the City of Eden Zoning Ordinance to add restaurants with drive-through windows and mini-storage facilities as permitted uses in the BH-1 District.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette explained that a sign-up sheet had been added for public hearings outside of the chambers.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette declared the public hearing open and called on Planning and Inspections Director Kelly Stultz.

Ms. Stultz explained that the text amendment for drive-through windows was one that she had hoped a citizen would come in and ask for. Drive-through windows on banks, restaurants and

other businesses were more prevalent than they were 50 years ago. Tommy and Susan Tucker owned property in the Business Highway-1 District that they were considering doing some construction on at that location. The real issue was that it would not allow mini-storage and drive-throughs. The Planning Board and staff recommended in favor of the request.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette asked if anyone wanted to speak in favor or against the zoning text amendment. As no one came forward, he declared the public hearing closed.

Council Member Hampton asked what area the particular request was regarding.

Ms. Stultz replied the particular property was not the issue but Mr. and Mrs. Tucker asked to amend the zoning ordinance. Therefore, everywhere that BH-1 was applied the change would impact. Over the years, BH-1 and BH-2 had melded together and were no longer distinctly apart. It made more sense to allow those uses in BH-1.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette asked if the area was basically along Highway 14.

Ms. Stultz replied it was originally designed to be along the Highway 14 and Kings Highway area but they did have BH in some other areas.

A motion was made by Council Member Ellis to adopt an Ordinance to amend Section 11.24(k)(1) of the City of Eden Zoning Ordinance to add restaurants with drive-through windows and mini-storage facilities as permitted uses in the BH-1 District and a Resolution adopting a statement of consistency regarding the amendment of Section 11.24(k)(1) of the City of Eden Zoning Ordinance to add restaurants with drive-through windows and mini-storage facilities as permitted uses in the BH-1 District. Council Member Epps seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDEN

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL of the City of Eden, North Carolina, that, after having fully complied with all legal requirements, including publication of notice of a public hearing and the holding of a public hearing relative thereto, Section 11.24(k) Business-Highway #1 District of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Eden is hereby amended by adding the following as Permitted Uses:

(1) Permitted Uses

Eating and drinking establishments including drive-in establishments provided such establishments are fenced on all sides which abut residential districts. Such fence shall be solid from the ground to a height of four (4) feet.

Mini-storage facilities

APPROVED, ADOPTED AND EFFECTIVE, this 17th day of July, 2018. CITY OF EDEN BY: ATTEST: James C. Burnette, Mayor Pro Tem; Deanna Hunt, City Clerk

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A STATEMENT OF CONSISTENCY REGARDING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF EDEN ZONING ORDINANCE CASE NUMBER Z-18-04 TEXT AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes Chapter 160A-383, prior to adoption or rejection of any zoning amendment, the Eden City Council is required to adopt a statement as to whether the amendment is consistent with the Land Development Plan and why the City Council considers the action taken to be reasonable and in the public interest;

WHEREAS, on August 21, 2007, the Eden City Council adopted the Land Development Plan. Plans such as the City of Eden Land Development Plan are not designed to be static but are meant to reflect the City of Eden's needs, plans for future development and to remain in compliance with North Carolina State Law and the City of Eden's ordinances;

WHEREAS, the City of Eden Planning Board received a request to restaurants with drive-through windows and ministorage facilities as permitted uses in the BH-1 District;

WHEREAS, On June 26, 2018, the City of Eden Planning Board voted to recommend changes to the Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend Section 11.24(k)(1) to add restaurants with drive-through windows and ministorage facilities as permitted uses in the BH-1 District.

STATEMENT OF NEED:

Staff is of the opinion that restaurants with drive-through windows and mini-storage facilities are compatible with other uses in the district and should be allowed.

STATEMENT OF CONSISTENCY:

The goals of the 2007 City of Eden Land Development Plan, as amended, are to make smart growth decisions by carefully managing growth to:

- A. Strategically locate new land development in the most appropriate places.
- B. Maintain and enhance Eden's community character and heritage.
- C. Use infrastructure investments as effectively as possible.
- D. Attract new jobs and a more diverse tax base.
- E. Protect natural, cultural and historic resources and open space as we grow.

WHEREAS, The Eden City Council has considered the written recommendation of the City of Eden Planning Board and has held a public hearing on the proposed amendment, and the Council desires to adopt a statement describing why the adoption of the proposed amendment is consistent with the City of Eden Land Development Plan, as amended, and why the City Council considers the proposed amendment to be reasonable and in the public interest;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EDEN CITY COUNCIL THAT:

- 1. The Eden City Council finds that the proposed amendment to the City of Eden Zoning Ordinance is consistent with the goals and recommendations of the 2007 City of Eden Land Development Plan, as amended.
- 2. At no time are land use regulations or plans of the City of Eden or any jurisdiction in the State of North Carolina permitted to be in violation of the North Carolina General Statutes.
- 3. Therefore, based upon the foregoing information, the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance is reasonable and in the public interest.

Approved and adopted and effective this 17th day of July, 2018. CITY OF EDEN BY: James C. Burnette, Mayor Pro Tem; ATTEST: Deanna Hunt, City Clerk

b. Community Development Block Grant for housing rehabilitation of owner occupied dwellings and demolition of abandoned/vacant dwellings.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette declared the public hearing open and called on Ms. Stultz.

Ms. Stultz stated it had been a number of years before non-entitlement cities and counties were allowed to apply for funding for housing and blight remediation. Entitlement cities and counties were those that due to population and their very urban nature received funding directly from the federal government through the Federal Community Block Grant. Then they were allowed to choose how the funds were spent within the perimeters of the program. The rest of the cities had to compete for small city funding and they had not had a call for housing money in the state for several years. The program would only allow for the rehabilitation of owner-occupied dwellings but it would have a focus on the demolition of abandoned buildings and dwellings, which was a part of the City's strategic plan and Council's focus. The program could supply funding to get more work completed without spending tax dollars. She asked for Council's approval to submit an application. There would be a second public hearing in August and then the application would be submitted in September. It could be as late as March before they found out if they had received funding. The full amount that they would be able to request was \$750,000. They would ask for the maximum amount. They would pair the grant money with Duke Energy money, which was set aside for weatherproofing, heating and air, and help citizens in more than one way.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette asked if anyone would like to speak in favor of the grant.

City Attorney Erin Gilley read the City policy on the public comment period during public hearings and request and petitions of citizens.

Mr. Michael Hutchinson, 612 John Street, said he had seen some ideas of what the Community Block Grant should go to. In the past few months he had seen in the background what the City did. He thanked the Council for everything they did. He was in favor of whatever they could do to make the community look better and start lifting Eden back up to where they needed to be.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette said he appreciated Mr. Hutchinson's comments.

He asked if anyone would like to speak against the grant.

Council Member Ellis asked Ms. Stultz if the City had ever received the grant before.

Ms. Stultz answered that they had not received that particular grant before, but had received a number of grants like it in the mid-90s through the 2000s. The General Assembly changed the rules regarding small cities in North Carolina for 5 or 6 years and they were not able to apply.

Council Member Grogan asked if it was a larger amount than usual.

Ms. Stultz replied no, it was about the same amount that they could have applied for before. However, the program was a little different because it focused on demolition, which was something that they needed to complete. It would be a scattered site application so it would not be focused in just one neighborhood, therefore they could get some of the work Council had planned completed.

Council Member Ellis commented that it was outstanding that Ms. Stultz would apply for the grant. He thanked her.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette stated he thought it was good the grant money would not be used in just one neighborhood. He said their last grant was focused on the Holland Street area and the new grant would serve the City's purposes even better.

Ms. Stultz responded that with the previous grant they received extra points due to the infrastructure repairs that needed to be made in that neighborhood. Presently, they really would not have that need, so they would be able to get to more areas of the community. Ms. Stultz said she received a call from a citizen who already wanted to be placed on the waiting list.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette verified that there would be a second public hearing in August.

Ms. Stultz replied there would.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette declared the public hearing closed.

c. Consideration of a proposal to allocate up to \$1,500,000 to purchase a 204.8-acre industrial site on New Street currently owned by Duke Energy.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette declared the public hearing open and called on Economic Development Director Mike Dougherty.

Mr. Dougherty explained that in the early 2000s, the City considered developing the Whitt site, now the Dan River Game Land, which was 1,700 acres. After the preliminary engineering was completed, the City Manager and others wisely decided it would take too much money to develop the land. Currently, they had a property of 12.7 acres that was dually owned by the County and the City. The property was in the Eden Industrial Center and had limited utilities as far as another business coming in to expand on it because of its size. The property was on New Street and had Weil-McLain and the MGM building, which Gildan had leased until 2021. The Duke Energy East Property had 204 acres in an established area for industry. This property was attractive due to its 200 contiguous acres with 200 megawatts of power available, the proximity to Duke's Dan River facility and the abundant water sources. The property was in the area undergoing a sewer upgrade. As part of the tax bill the previous year, they were asked to submit census tracts that had higher poverty areas so that people who invested in those tracts could get benefits. They submitted Tract 402 which included New Street and it was accepted by the state and federal government. Therefore, people who invested in the area could get capital gains and other benefits. The property was adjacent to another 214-acre site which could be paired for larger projects.

Mr. Dougherty said the benefits of purchasing the property would be that it was the best Eden industrial site available and the sewer would be upgraded with grant money that year. City control of the site would allow them to qualify for grants like the Rural ReadySites grant that went to a sister community who received \$1.3 million. Duke Energy would provide due diligence funding as they had sponsored a site-readiness project. Duke Energy had worked on multiple projects for this site. This property could be annexed which would give the City utility franchise, property and

equipment taxes. If they decided to do a shell building there was a lot more room to grow if someone was to locate there. The McCallum Sweeney Site Readiness Process happened in 2009 and currently there were three major projects and a possible fourth in the early stages looking at that particular site, which was very rare. Purchasing the site could put the City in a very advantageous situation. Eden had an option on the property until July 21. The City could purchase the property for \$1.5 million. Rockingham County would typically come in at half the investment. At the July 9 County Commissioners' meeting, the Commissioners met in closed session and all five said they would support the purchase. The debt service on \$1.5 million would be split between the City and County. For example, if someone invested \$33 million then their return on their investment would happen in 6 years. Some of the projects would invest more money than that. The debt service could be reduced if they had one project that did not want all 204 acres and they could sell that portion and then have the remaining property available for other projects, which was the situation the City of Reidsville had with the Love's Travel project. The average industrial property cost \$10,000 to \$15,000 per acre and the cost of the property in discussion was considerably lower at \$7,300 per acre. With the County's contribution, the City's cost would be reduced to about \$3,000 per acre. The proposal would be to exercise the option on the Duke Energy East Site. He asked the Council to vote to spend up to \$1.5 million on the property with Rockingham County splitting the cost. The Rockingham County Commissioners would vote to split the cost at the August 6 meeting. The Planning Department would immediately begin the annexation process and would work with Duke Energy on current projects to get the return of interest as quickly as possible.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette asked if anyone would like to speak in favor or against purchasing the industrial site.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette said Mr. Dougherty laid out the advantages of the purchase very well.

As no one came forward to speak in favor or against, Mayor Pro Tem Burnette declared the public hearing closed.

Council Member Grogan asked how much the split was with Rockingham County coming in.

Mr. Dougherty answered that the split would be 50/50.

Council Member Ellis said it was very important for Eden for the approval of the Mega Park in 2011. They were seeing the gains in developing that property in North Carolina and Virginia already. He thought that it was a positive aspect to be partnering with the Rockingham County Commissioners and going forward with the purchase of the industrial site for Eden's future.

Council Member Grogan said she agreed they should go forward and asked Mr. Dougherty if it was rare for a property of that size to become available for sale.

Mr. Dougherty answered it was and the Duke Energy economic development director spoke of the benefits of this site especially with the category of the projects looking at it currently.

Council Member Carter said it would be good business sense with the price per acre to purchase this property.

Mr. Dougherty said they would never get that price any other time.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette said everything sounded very positive about the property. The site readiness and site certification of potential projects all sounded positive.

A motion was made by Council Member Epps to authorize an option to spend up to \$1.5 million to purchase the 204.8-acre industrial site on New Street currently owned by Duke Energy. Council Member Carter seconded the motion. All members are in favor of the motion.

REQUESTS AND PETITIONS OF CITIZENS:

There were no Requests and Petitions of Citizens at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was no Unfinished Business at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Consideration of a Board and Commission Appointment.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette called on Ms. Stultz.

Ms. Stultz said that at the end of their first year with the Strategic Planning Commission, they had some members who could no longer serve. Mayor Pro Tem Burnette and she had met with Rev. DaRon JeSie Morris of Mt. Sinai Baptist Church on Henry Street. She had contacted the Strategic Planning Commission about appointing Rev. Morris as a member of the Strategic Planning Commission.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette stated it was little bit different than some of the other commissions because the recommendations initially came from the Strategic Planning Commission and then had to be approved by the City Council.

Ms. Stultz said Rev. Morris had been the minister at Mt. Sinai Baptist Church for 20 years.

A motion was made by Council Member Ellis to appoint Rev. DaRon JeSie Morris to serve on the Strategic Planning Commission. Council Member Grogan seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion.

REPORTS FROM STAFF:

a. City Manager's Report – July 2018

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Goodwill Community Resource Center

(The following press release was issued by Goodwill Industries of Central North Carolina on June 19, 2018)

Goodwill Industries of Central North Carolina, Inc. (Triad Goodwill) is moving locations and changing the way they serve job seekers in the Eden Community. Starting July 2, the Career Center on Kings Highway is being closed. The Career Center Coordinator, Laurie Suthard, will continue to be available at the Goodwill retail store, located at 303 E. Arbor Lane (across from Walmart). Rockingham Community College (RCC) classes will be moved to 649 Washington Street, creating a smooth transition for about 50% of people who use the Center.

While a big part of the move is due to overwhelming challenges in the leased facility, Goodwill is taking the opportunity to re-evaluate their services in Eden and engage with the community in a different way. "Goodwill sees the need to more effectively respond to community needs by partnering with other agencies, such as Rockingham Rescue Mission," says Vice President of Career Development Services Jessica Schultz. "We are committed to the Eden community, and will continue to provide the same services we always have – job search assistance, resume development, interview prep, job fairs and hiring events. Some of that will take place at our retail facility, while others will be housed at community locations. Additionally, going to a mobile service model will allow us to bring career development supports to people who sometimes struggle to get to us. Transportation and accessibility are barriers for a lot of folks. This change will allow us to bring services to the community rather than them having to come to us."

While long-term plans are still being developed, a schedule of career activities will be posted at the Eden Goodwill store. You can also check out where to find services via Goodwill's website, triadgoodwill.org, or Facebook. Schultz recognizes that the move will interrupt services for many people, and brings with it some new challenges. "Goodwill will work hard to continually evaluate the impact of this change and explore options that will enhance our services in Eden. Communication about where to find us will be critical moving forward, and we will do our very best to keep everyone informed."

For questions or to learn more about how to engage with Goodwill, please fill out the "Contact Us" form on <u>triadgoodwill.org</u>.

The RCC students who have been transferred to the RCC Center for Brewing Sciences building on Washington Street have been very pleased with this move and expressed their appreciation to those involved.

Public Safety – It Takes a Community

The Eden Police Department would like to encourage all citizens to play an active role in the safety of our community. The Eden Police Department is committed to its fight against drugs, gangs, opioid abuse, targeted shootings, vandalism and more, but we believe additional community involvement can make a huge difference! We would like your help in identifying,

locating and arresting criminals in our quest to make our community a safer place to live, work, go to school, and play.

If you see something, know something or have good reason to suspect something, we would encourage you to call **Crime Stoppers at 336-349-9683**. You should not be afraid to call. Crime Stoppers is a safe and secure way for you to anonymously give information that helps our law enforcement officials make an arrest, close an open case, and open new cases as needed.

We believe "It Takes a Community" and we would appreciate your assistance in our fight to eradicate crime and the undesirables from our community. Please help us if you can – and Thank You!

Humane Animal Tethering

In response to concerns voiced by members of the animal welfare group, Humane-ity, and other concerned citizens, the members of City Council, working with the Police Department voted to amend our Animal Ordinance on April 17, 2018. The amended ordinance includes a new section under Chapter 3: Section 3-8 Cruel Treatment.

The new section addresses humane animal tethering as well as sanitary and adequate food, water and shelter. Chains and ropes are no longer acceptable. Chains or ropes can tangle up and prevent the dog from access to food, water and shelter or the dog could possibly become entangled in the rope, chain or surrounding objects and become strangled. Citizens have been allowed six (6) months to come into full compliance with the April 17th changes. The deadline is October 17, 2018. Residents who do not comply will be in violation of the ordinance and subject to the penalties outlined in the ordinance and North Carolina State Law. In the case of a serious violation, the police may seize the animal.

The amended ordinance requires tethered dogs to be attached to a swiveled ground anchor by a coated cable wire at least fifteen (15) feet in length and of sufficient strength to restrain the dog without breaking. Chains, ropes, twine, cords and non-cable wire are not acceptable types of tethers. All tethers must have swivels attached to both ends to prevent twisting. The area should be free of garbage and other debris that can harm the dog. It shall be unlawful to tether a dog in a manner as to cause injury, strangulation or entanglement of the animal on fences, trees, or other manmade or natural obstacles; or to a fixed-point; or that is under four (4) months of age; or that is sick or injured. There should be no fences or objects within the radius of the tether that the dog can get hung upon. The tether must be arranged so as to be free from obstacles that may limit the movable length of the tether.

The tethering ordinance also states that the tether must be attached to a safe and secure harness or collar. Under no circumstances shall the tether be placed directly around the dog's neck. Tethers are never to be used in conjunction with training collars such as choke or pinch style

collars and shelter and water must be present and always within reach of a tethered dog. Properly fitted collars will be required.

Economic & Tourism Development Department

Berry Hill Regional Mega Park

In the recently approved state budget the NC General Assembly included \$1 million in funding for Eden to use for water line extension work. This \$1 million in grant funding will be used to help extend a waterline to the Berry Hill Regional Mega Park and brings the total amount of grant funding for this initiative to more than \$4 million for the estimated \$7.5 million project. Special thanks to Senator Phil Berger for his efforts and support in obtaining these funds for our community.

Innofa

Innofa is an Eden company that makes mattress ticking and zippered covers for mattresses.

Ticking is a circular knitted fabric that has inherent stretch properties, ideal for composing mattress fabrics and covers. Recently, Innofa introduced a very successful patented engineered cover that reduces production labor significantly and added marketing advantages traditional processes could not provide. This innovation created a lot of benefits for the rapidly- growing e-commerce compressed mattresses industry marketed on Internet. Congratulations to Innofa on this new innovation.

Loparex

Loparex makes many different products across all market segments that require adhesive delivery, from removable tabs on adhesive bandages to the aerospace industry. Recently, plant manager Chip Sheeran discussed how the Eden facility is considered innovative and adaptable to change within the organization. This often leads to the plant becoming the proving ground for new concepts, processes, or equipment. Congratulations to Loparex on their success.

Gildan

Gildan is currently hiring and looking for people who are willing to work and are capable of passing drug tests. Recently, three people left Eden restaurants for the opportunity to work full time with quarterly incentives, medical and other benefits. One is now helping them open a distribution center in another state. They even have a weekend shift that is 36 hours but you get paid for 40 hours and have the rest of the week off. This company now employs more than 600 people and is our largest industrial employer. Please contact Workforce Unlimited (336-347-7783) or Ameristaff (336-623-6252) to begin the employment inquiry process.

Also, this company is planning another sock and shirt sale in Eden in mid-October. The location has yet to be determined but will be released as soon as it is determined.

Other Area Companies Who Are Hiring

KDH Defense Systems, Lowe's Home Improvement, Glass Dynamics (they need CDL drivers,) Hampton Inn, Di'Lishi Frozen Yogurt, Cook Out, Papa John's and Dollar General—Ridgeway, VA are all now hiring. Please stop by these locations to learn more about the available jobs.

RCC Plumbing Class

Several local plumbing firms have told the community college they need workers. This is an opportunity to enter a very good trade with great upside career potential. From August 15 through December 10, 2018, RCC will hold a plumbing class on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Students will need safety glasses, work gloves and closed-toed shoes. Tuition is \$180.00, plus \$20.00 for supplies. Call 336-342-4261 to register.

RCC Trails Program

Are you interested in the RCC sustainable trail skills classes, but don't have enough time available to take a class? Join the RCC Trail Crew and learn a little while completing trail work on the trail system at RCC. The trail crew meets on select Tuesday evenings for only two hours. No experience is required, and everyone is welcome. This crew is open to students, staff, faculty, and community members.

The remaining July workday will be on **July 24th** from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. They will be meeting in the parking lot at the Horticulture Building. **Please call or email Tim Johnson**, **Director**, **if you plan to join them so he can have enough tools ready to go.** Tim will also need your contact information in case the workday is called off due to weather or some other unforeseen circumstance.

Volunteer hours will be recorded and prizes awarded for the more hours you work.

RCC Trail Crew T-shirt - 10 hours Duke Energy TRAILS at RCC Pint Glass - 20 hours Duke Energy TRAILS at RCC Baseball Cap - 30 hours

Tim Johnson can be reached at 336-342-4261 extension 2704 or at johnsont1587@rockinghamcc.edu

Lidl Supermarket

In June, the Lidl Director of Communications contacted Mike Dougherty, Director of Economic Development to say there had been no change in the status of the Eden store. No timetable has been set to open the store nor has the property been sold, as rumor had claimed. If you have been following the news, you may have learned that Lidl is experiencing many issues with other store development projects from which they have withdrawn. They have a new CEO who is trying to set a better course for the company but they have many hurdles ahead of them.

The City has no influence on a private company except to constantly urge them to open the Eden store, which has been done on numerous occasions. More information will be provided as it is received.

Dan River Water Resources Fund

The City has been invited to submit a full application for the Dan River Nature Trail project that will run from Leaksville Landing to the Bridge Street pump station. The grant recipients will be announced in October of 2018.

Eden Economic Development Department Grants and other funding received since 2011

Eden city staff members are always seeking grant opportunities to save taxpayer money for projects. The list below details the **\$6,093,076** in grants received by our Economic Development Department since 2011:

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\$ 209,894 Duke Energy contribution to defray marketing expenses after the coal	i asn spili
\$ 25,000 Duke Energy contribution in lieu of Rockingham County Community	Foundation
grant	
\$ 25,000 Rockingham County Community Foundation grant for Grogan Park T	Frail
\$ 5,000 Reidsville Area Foundation grant for Grogan Park	
\$ 15,500 Rockingham County Community Foundation grant for bike racks	
\$ 16,931 Rockingham County Community Foundation grant for Smith River G	freenway
parking lot extension	
\$1,800,000 NC Drinking Water Resources Fund grant for Berry Hill Regional Me	ga Park water
line	
\$ 100,000 Duke Energy Water Resources Fund grant for the Matrimony Creek N	lature Trail
\$ 24,975 Rockingham County Community Foundation grant for Freedom Park	Trail
\$2,000,000 EDA grant for Berry Hill Regional Mega Park water line	
\$ 100,000 Duke Energy Water Resources Fund grant to restore/install river acces	ss points
\$ 997,000 Rural Infrastructure Authority grant for New Street Sewer line upgrade	e
\$ 42,776 Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust grant for Get Fit Rockingham	

Get Fit Rockingham

This expanded program received a \$42,776 Kate B. Reynold's Charitable Trust grant to fund the 2018 and 2019 programs including Eden, Madison/Mayodan, Reidsville and Stoneville. The program kick-off took place on Saturday, June 2. The City of Eden took the lead on this countywide program and initiated the grant. Free t-shirts, pamphlets, and tracking cards are available at the Eden Chamber of Commerce office for anyone interested in participating.

Shaggin' On Fieldcrest

One of our favorite events of the year is coming up Saturday, July 21 along Fieldcrest Road. Our 6th Annual Shaggin' on Fieldcrest will run from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and will include a FREE concert by Jim Quick & Coastline, delicious food and beverages, Kona Ice and great apparel from Preppy Pirate Outfitters. Bring your lawn chairs, come early and join us for supper and enjoy a great night of live music by Jim Quick.

Grown & Gathered

Come experience local foods in a picturesque setting along the Canal at the Spray Mercantile at our newest event, "Grown & Gathered", on Thursday, August 23. A seasoned chef has designed a mouth-watering menu based on regional recipes and local ingredients. Tickets are \$50 per person or \$90 per couple and are limited to the first 120 people. This includes an incredible summer supper, two drinks, a local handmade pottery plate along with live music. Come enjoy Eden's hospitality at its best at our premier farm-to-fork event. Please call 612-8049 or 344-5539 and reserve your ticket today!

Touch-A-Truck

GET READY KIDS! Our fun Touch-A-Truck event is set for Saturday, August 25 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Henry Street located in Downtown Eden! There will be fire trucks, a tractor, police car, crane, garbage truck, tractor-trailer, public works trucks & equipment, and many more vehicles to see, sit in and blow the horn. We will also have your favorite characters there to meet and have your picture taken with! Plus, there will be hotdogs, shaved ice, cotton candy and lots of other delicious treats. Admission is a food item for the Kids Backpack Food Program. We look forward to seeing you there!

RiverFest

Things are getting very exciting! Our 15th Annual RiverFest celebration is set for September 14 & 15 and will be full of exciting things to hear, see and do! Headline bands will be Pizazz for Friday night and The Ultimate Eagles Tribute – On The Border for Saturday night along with two stages of live music from local and regional artists all day long. Come enjoy a Virtual Kayak Experience without ever getting in the water or take a live excursion with Three Rivers Outfitters down one of our beautiful rivers. There will be amusements, the Gravity Ball, Knockerball, an awesome Butterfly Encounter walk through exhibit, Carolina Raptors with a bird release, sand art, over 125 artisans, crafters and civic groups and so much more! Plus, what would a festival be without awesome food. We will have barbecue, chicken, burgers, stew, philly cheese steak subs, Greek food, funnel cakes, pizza and so much more. Admission to the festival, concerts and shuttles are all FREE! Make sure you bring your chairs for the concerts. See you Friday, September 14 from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and Saturday, September 15 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Text Messaging

Make sure you are in the know! Text the keyword EDENNC to 51660 and stay up to date on meetings, events and opportunities for our citizens.

"A Few Minutes with The Mayor"

Tune in to WGSR Star News the last Thursday of every month at 6:15 p.m. and spend 15 minutes with Eden's Mayor Neville Hall.

Explore Eden Facebook Page

Please join our Explore Eden facebook page as another way to stay up to date on what to do in Eden! We have over 7.000 followers!

John E. Grogan Park

A big thank you to all who attended the City of Eden sponsored Chamber Coffee in our beautiful John E. Grogan Park this month. We hope everyone will enjoy the park this Summer and Fall. Bring a picnic, sit in the swing and enjoy the chimes, walk the trail, or just sit under the gazebo and enjoy a good book or great conversation with friends. The park grounds, plaza and gazebo are available for weddings, corporate gatherings, reunions or other events. Also, the fountain, beautiful structures and trees make for a great photo session.

Bridge Street Parking

Paving crews recently returned to finish grading and begin paving the parking lot and alley way. If weather continues to cooperate, the paving should be completed by August. A letter of interest

to the Home Trust Endowment from the Eden Downtown Development Corporation was accepted to pursue a grant that would provide funding for landscaping, parking lot striping and benches for this newly renovated parking area. That grant will be submitted by the end of July.

622 Washington Street

Debris from the crumbling sidewall has been removed by the contractors, Wright and Wray, and the back wall has been framed in, bricked and a new back door installed. Old flooring was removed from the second story to allow for a new sub floor. Second story windows have been removed for replacement. The projected completion date of this building is currently August 30, 2018.

Fieldcrest Public Space

A tremendous amount of progress has become apparent in the last month in this space that was formerly occupied by two buildings at the intersection of Fieldcrest Road and Mill Avenue. Work below grade included removal of debris and waterproofing the surrounding walls along with gravel back fill. Multiple loads of dirt were deposited then compacted. Concrete was poured and a medallion was stamped in the center of the structure. A lighting design was implemented and fixtures have been ordered. A large decorative sign using a popular logo from the newly implemented branding study has also been ordered. As stucco is replaced on the walls, the sign and lighting will be installed. The space will also have Wi Fi accessibility.

EDDI

The Eden Downtown Development Corporation Design sub-committee is researching small-scale public art installations. Similar projects have made large impacts with minimal expense. The areas for public art could include non-traditional spaces in our downtown. For more information, please contact Randy Hunt, Main Street Manager at rhunt@edennc.us.

Luther Hodges Exhibit @ City Hall

The Eden Rotary Club and Eden Preservation Society previously submitted a letter of interest to the Home Trust Endowment for the future Luther Hodges exhibit at city hall. They have received tentative approval and will now move on to the next step of the application process.

Cars and Coffee

The next Cars and Coffee event will be Saturday, July 28 at Family Video. This event takes place on the last Saturday each month and will run through the month of September.

REAL Certification

Randy Hunt, Eden's Main Street Manager has now been certified as a facilitator through the REAL Institute (Rural Entrepreneurship through Action Learning). REAL Entrepreneurship is a recognized leader in entrepreneurship education. This will help us when providing assistance to aspiring and existing business owners as well as in the establishment of a SCORE chapter of retired executives helping such business owners.

Engineering Department

Street Resurfacing Projects - Update

The FY 2018-19 Street Resurfacing Contract, No. 1 was awarded to Waugh Asphalt, Inc. The scope of work includes the adjustment of structures, patching, asphalt milling, surface treatment, resurfacing and shoulder reconstruction. The availability date for this contract is July 16, 2018. Waugh Asphalt plans to start work by August 1. The completion date for this project is August 31, 2018. The estimated cost of the project is approximately \$488,000.

NCDOT/Highway 14, Kings Highway and Stadium Drive Interchange Improvements

NCDOT (North Carolina Department of Transportation) is collecting preliminary data to decide what type of improvements if any are needed at the interchanges along NC14/Van Buren Road to support future transportation improvement projects. The preliminary surveying is being completed along NC 14, Kings Highway and Stadium Drive for the planning of possible improvements to the NC14/Van Buren Road interchanges at Kings Highway and Stadium Drive. NCDOT has informed us that the City will be contacted when a recommendation is finalized.

Public Utilities

Southeast Connections is installing a new 8-inch plastic gas main for Piedmont Natural Gas along New Street and West Fieldcrest Road to replace an old gas main that was retired late last year. This project includes the installation of approximately 10,000 linear feet of plastic pipe. There will not be any services installed on the new main. The main is being installed to ensure sufficient supply can be provided during the winter months in high demand situations. Piedmont Natural Gas plans to have this new main installed and in operation by October 1, 2018.

Waterline Replacement Projects Update

Workers from Sam W. Smith, Inc. were able to get by some old and unexpected gas main piping near the intersection of Jackson Street and Farrell Street, before continuing west to install 6-inch ductile iron water main pipe along the south side of Farrell Street. During a temporary shutdown of the water to area residents on June 21, the crew was able to install a 6-inch valve on the existing 6-inch water main in Farrell Street. After closing the new valve and restoring water service, the crew was able to install the last 41 feet of new water main for this project and connect to the existing 6-inch main. Pressure testing and initial chlorination of the new 732 feet of pipe was completed the next day. Two crews were involved with making new water taps, with the last one completed on July 3. Asphalt pavement repairs were completed on July 9.

A Sam W. Smith, Inc. crew started work on the South Byrd Street waterline replacement project on June 18 by making a 2-inch tap off the existing 6-inch water main at the intersection with Stegall Street. They steadily installed the schedule 80 plastic pipe, heading north towards South Avenue. The crew was able to make a 2-inch tap off the existing 6-inch water main in South Avenue on June 26. The crew then left to assist with the Jackson & Farrell project. After installing a new 2-inch valve at the South Avenue intersection on July 10, the crew was able to get the hydrostatic pressure test for the new 664 feet of water main to pass shortly before lunch the next day. If the remainder of the required testing is passed in the following days, a crew from Collection and Distribution is expected to start making taps for customers during the week of July 16.

Finance & Human Resources Department

Increase in Delinquent Payment Penalty for Delinquent Water & Sewer Accounts

Effective July 1, 2018 the City of Eden will be increasing the delinquent payment penalty for delinquent water and sewer accounts from \$25.00 to \$40.00. Currently Water and Sewer customers have 20 days to pay their water bill. A \$10.00 late fee is added to accounts that are unpaid by the due date. If the account is still delinquent 10 days after the due date, we currently charge a \$25.00 delinquent payment penalty (increasing to \$40.00 effective July 1, 2018). We also pull or lock water meters, if the account is still delinquent 10 more days after the cutoff date and there is another \$25.00 fee charged to reestablish service. Due to the increase in delinquent accounts, effective July 1, 2018 the Billing & Collections Division will be applying a delinquent payment penalty of \$40.00 (instead of \$25.00) directly to the account when the cut off list is generated and \$25.00 directly to the account when the pull/lock meter lists are generated. Water and Sewer customers must pay their delinquent bill by 4:30 on the day prior to cutoff. A reminder notice will continue to be mailed out after the due date.

The Finance Department offers several convenient ways for you to pay many of your city bills, providing you with new levels of convenience, cash management and benefits from credit card reward programs along with providing a safe, secure and proven way to reduce paperwork, speed transactions and eliminate errors.

- Option I: Electronic payments for water bills, recreation payments and other miscellaneous payments using all major credit and debit cards, via the Internet at www.edennc.us
- Option II: MasterCard, Visa, and debit cards at the counter or MasterCard and Visa cards by telephone (623-2110, option 1)
- Option III: Automatic bank draft customers who prefer to pay by bank draft must come to the Finance Department to set up their account
- Option IV: Payment Drop Box is located in front of City Hall. Just drive up, fill out the envelope and insert your bill and payment. Finance Department personnel will be checking the box at 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. each business day to collect the payments.
- Note: The City of Eden has no connection with DOXO.com.

We hope you will take the time to consider each of these payment options and hopefully one will work for you. The city does not charge additional fees for these payment types. Our employees are eager to provide both service and information to those who request it. If you do not find the information you seek within our website, please stop by the Finance Department at City Hall or call 623-2110, option 1 for a personal response to your inquiry.

Information Technology Department

Congratulations to Taylor Rorrer, IT Specialist on his recent graduation from the Certified Government Chief Information Officer (CGCIO) program at the UNC School of Government. The CIO Certification Program involves 11-months of course work that lays the foundation for assessing and addressing the most critical issues facing information technology (IT) leadership in local governments. The purpose of the course is to equip IT personnel with the requisite tools to manage and improve their organizational technology assets. The course addresses major topics including IT governance, project management, risk assessment and management. Mr. Kevin Taylor, Director of Information Technology is a graduate of the 2007 CGCIO cohort.

Municipal Services Department

Klyce Street River Access and Draper Landing River Access

The City of Eden has been awarded a \$100,000 Duke Energy Water Resources Fund Grant for the development of a new river access at the Klyce Street and for improvements to the Draper Landing river access. We are currently in the process of surveying the property at Klyce Street in preparation for this project and are currently making arrangements to replace the steps at the Draper Landing river access.

Parks & Recreation Department

Parks & Recreation Grant

In the recently approved state budget the NC General Assembly included \$500,000 in funding for Eden to use towards Parks and Recreation. This \$500,000 grant will be used to help build the new Splash Pad complex that will be constructed within Freedom Park. Special thanks to Senator Phil Berger for his efforts and support in obtaining these funds for our community.

Community Accents Program & Parks & Recreation Radio Program

Staff will be participating in the Community Accents Program with WLOE (Wonderful Land of Eden) radio on July 13 and August 10. In addition, staff participated in the Parks & Recreation Radio Program with WLOE on June 27 and will participate again on July 25 to update the public on our recreational program offerings during the months of August and September. We remain involved in these community outreach efforts in an effort to update residents about the programs being offered by our Parks & Recreation Department.

North Carolina Dixie Youth Baseball Ozone State Tournament

The NC Dixie Youth Baseball Ozone State Tournament will get underway at Freedom Park on July 13 with a family pizza night and Opening Ceremonies, and tournament games will be held from July 14 – July 19 at Freedom Park. The winner will advance to the Dixie Youth Baseball World Series in Lumberton, NC in August, 2018.

Mill Avenue Swimming Pool

The Mill Avenue Swimming Pool is open for the summer season and will remain open through Labor Day Weekend. For more information please call 336-623-2110 Extension 3030 or email Ms. Georgette Spence at gspence@edennc.us.

Summer Day Camp Program

The Summer Day Camp Program is currently in progress and will run through August 17. For more information please call 336-623-2110 Extension 3030 or email Ms. Georgette Spence at gspence@edenc.us.

Concert in the Park Series & Cruise In

The next Concert in the Park/Cruise In event will be held on July 28 beginning at 5:30 p.m. in Freedom Park. These events will be held on the last Saturday of each month through October 2018. For more information please call 336-623-2110 Extension 3030 or email Ms. Georgette Spence at gspence@edennc.us.

Be Healthy Rockingham County

Staff continues to be involved with Be Healthy Rockingham. They will be attending the Be Healthy Rockingham meetings scheduled for July 17 and August 21.

Softball Tournaments

There are softball tournaments scheduled at Freedom Park on July 21 - 22, July 28 - 29, August 4 - 5, August 11 - 12, and August 18 - 19. These events bring visitors to our community who often end up spending money that helps our local economy.

Matrimony Creek Greenway Project - Update

A Ribbon Cutting has been scheduled for August 9, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the Matrimony Creek Greenway. Please join us and feel free to explore this new trail.

Planning & Inspections Department

Code Enforcement

As we prepare to turn over all abatement fees incurred since July 1, 2017 to the Rockingham County Tax Department, letters were mailed to all property owners that would be affected by this change. The letters gave them the opportunity to pay prior to the County taking over the collection. We have already received payments from 2 property owners.

CDGB Grant Application

Based upon advice from the PTRC (Piedmont Triad Regional Council) staff, the city intends to apply for a jurisdiction wide grant. This round of funding will allow us to do demolition work as well as rehabilitation work.

Police Department

Welcome to Officer Eric Gann & Retirement of Lieutenant Richie Jeffries

The Eden Police Department would like to welcome Officer Eric Gann. He was sworn in as an Eden Police Officer on July 12. In addition, we have advertised for a full-time position to replace the position being vacated by the retirement of Lieutenant Richie Jeffries, which became effective

on July 1. Again, thank you to Richie Jeffries for his years of dedicated service and congratulations on his well-earned retirement!

Men of Valor Excelling M.O.V.E. Program

During the week of July 16 - 19, the Eden Police Department will participate in the 'Men of Valor Excelling' M.O.V.E. program. This program will be based out of the Leaksville-Spray Elementary School and will include students in the 7th and 8th grade. Local individuals from Eden and the Rockingham County School system in leadership positions will be speaking to the students about decision-making and future decisions that may impact the rest of their lives. This program also includes the children visiting the library, UNC Rockingham Hospital, swimming at the YMCA and attending a robotics class. The Police Department will have officers with students during staggered times of the week to participate and interact with them in various activities. This will be the first year our department has participated in this program and we look forward to engaging with our youth.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approval and Adoption of the June 19, 2018 Minutes.
- b. Request for approval of an acceptance Resolution for EPA Sewer Projects Loan and Grant and Project Ordinance.

The City of Eden was officially awarded a State Loan and Grant Package of \$31,666,667 in January of 2017, for the Sewer Remediation Projects to satisfy EPA Administrative Order on Consent that we are under. This funding was possible by the passage of the Connect NC Bond Referendum. The \$31,666,667 would be funded by a \$15,000,000 zero interest loan and \$16,666,667 grant from the State's Water Infrastructure Fund. The City would have to pay \$2,216,667 from the City's Water and Sewer Fund to match the remainder of the grant being \$1,666,667 and also pay the closing costs on the loan/grant combination estimated at \$550,000. The Sewer Remediation Projects were designed to stop all the Sanitary Sewer Overflows such that we can satisfy the requirements of our EPA Administrative Order on Consent. By approval of this Resolution, the City Council will formally accept the State's Loan and Grant offer of funding our sewer remediation projects. This project is expected to be bid for construction in November 2018. Work on this project is expected to begin by April or May of 2019. It is estimated that the new debt service payments for this project will begin no sooner than May of 2022. Older debt service that will be paid off in this period (Budget 2022-2023) will be adequate to cover the new debt service of this \$15,000,000 loan.

Capital Project Ordinance

Be it ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the City of Eden, North Carolina, that pursuant to section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following capital Project Ordinance is hereby adopted.

Section 1: The Project authorized is the Eden Remediation Plan to address Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSOs) to be financed by a combination of a State Reserve Loan and State Reserve Grant financed through the Connect NC Bond and administered by the Division of Water Infrastructure of the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ) and reserves.

Section 2: The officers of this unit are hereby directed to proceed with the capital project within the terms of the board resolution, loan documents and the budget contained herein.

Section 3: The following amounts are appropriated for the project: Engineering \$ 4,962,237.83 Land \$ 324,973.10

Construction \$ 26,379,456.07 Closing Fees and Match for Grant \$ 2,216,667.00 \$ 33,883,334.00

Section 4: The following revenues are anticipated to be available to complete this project: State Reserve Loan (SRP) \$ 15,000,000
State reserve Grant (SRP) \$ 16,666,667
City of Eden Water and Sewer Fund \$ 2,216,667
\$ 33,883,334

Section 5: The finance officer is hereby directed to maintain within the capital project fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of the grantor agency, the grant agreements, and federal regulations. The terms of the bond resolution also shall be met.

Section 6: Funds may be advanced from the General Fund for the purpose of making payments as due. Reimbursement requests should be made to the grantor agency in an orderly and timely manner.

Section 7: The finance officer is directed to report, on a quarterly basis, on the financial status of each project element in section 3 and on the total grant/loan revenues received or claimed.

Section 8: The Budget Officer is directed to include a detailed analysis of past and future costs and revenues on this capital project in every budget submission made to this board.

Section 9: Copies of this capital project ordinance shall be furnished to the clerk to the Governing Board, and to the Budget Officer and the Finance officer for direction in carrying out this project.

Duly adopted this 17th day of July 2018.

By: Jim Burnette, Mayor Pro Tem

Certification:

I, Deanna Hunt, the duly appointed Clerk to the City Council of the City of Eden, North Carolina, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of which was adopted by the City Council at its regular meeting held on the 17 of July, 2018.

Deanna Hunt City Clerk

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDEN

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Clean Water Revolving Loan and Grant Act of 1987 has authorized the making of loans and grants to aid eligible units of government in financing the cost of construction of wastewater treatment works, wastewater collection systems, and water supply systems, water conservation projects, and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources has offered a State Loan and Grant from the Water Infrasructure Fund in the amount of \$31,666,667 for the construction of wastewater treatment works and wastewater collection system rehabilitation (DWI Project No. E-SRP-W-17-0026), and

WHEREAS, the City of Eden intends to construct said project in accordance with the approved plans and specifications,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDEN:

That City of Eden does hereby accept the State Loan and Grant offer of \$31,666,667.

That the City of Eden does hereby give assurance to the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources that all items specified in the loan and grant offer, Section II - Assurances will be adhered to.

That Brad Corcoran, City Manager, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the appropriate State agency may request in connection with such application or the project; to make

the assurances 'as contained above; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.

That City of Eden has substantially complied or will substantially comply with all Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances applicable to the project and to Federal and State grants and loans pertaining thereto,

Adopted this 17th day of July 2018.

By: Jim Burnette, Mayor Pro Tem

Certification:

I, Deanna Hunt, the duly appointed Clerk to the City Council of the City of Eden, North Carolina, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of which was adopted by the City Council at its regular meeting held on the 17 of July, 2018.

Deanna Hunt City Clerk

A motion was made by Council Member Moore to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Hampton seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Council Member Moore stated that he appreciated Parks and Recreation Director Johnny Farmer's email. Council Member Moore said he noticed that from 10 years ago until now one department had saved \$13,000 on fuel expenses and another one had saved \$11,000. Everyone appeared to be working together to improve costs.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette agreed.

Council Member Hampton wanted to say thank you to the staff. She appreciated everyone who came out to The Boulevard for Cars and Crabs. She said it was a success and she appreciated everything that City Hall did. Main Street Manager Randy Hunt worked hard all day for the event.

Council Member Ellis said Shaggin' on Fieldcrest was coming up Saturday evening from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. in downtown Draper. It was the sixth year for the event and everyone was excited about Jim Quick providing the music again. He appreciated all that Council Member Hampton had done for The Boulevard area with the two events already. He said the City Council had been working hard for the City. He appreciated Mayor Pro Tem Burnette, Mayor Hall and the City Manager who did a lot behind the scenes. He appreciated the department heads and their staff working hard. He said it was important for the City to keep working for the future.

Council Member Epps stated he appreciated the Main Street Program and the upgrades they had done in Draper and also Leaksville looked very good.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette reminded everyone of the North Carolina Dixie Youth Ozone State Tournament held at Freedom Park, which started the previous Friday and the championship game would be played Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

Council Member Grogan asked how many ball players in the tournament.

City Manager Corcoran answered about 130 ball players. The tournament was for 9 and 10 year olds and there were 9 different teams from around the state.

Council Member Hampton asked if anyone from the tournament was using the RV area at the park.

City Manager Corcoran said they had their first one-week RV resident the previous week.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette said he was sure once it became known about the RV area they would have more campers.

Council Member Grogan stated campers would share that information.

Mayor Pro Tem Burnette said next year when they had a splash pad there would be more campers.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by unanimous consent to adjourn.

	Respectfully submitted,
	Deanna Hunt
	City Clerk
ATTEST:	
Neville Hall Mayor	