

It was noted that grant funding could possibly be obtained since this section was identified as the #3 priority in the Bicycle Pedestrian Plan recently completed among the New London, Richfield, and Misenheimer communities.

Council was in favor of moving forward with the personnel policy review, a new website, a water tap at Gladstone and gravel for Lions Club Road. After reviewing the proposed expenses, Council decided to postpone the Fall Community BBQ another year.

10. Police Report – March, 2019: Erik McGinnis reported 176 traffic stops, 135 total charges, 1 vehicle crash, and 7 arrests.

11. Planning Board Term Expirations: Lane Peeler and Jon Byers Planning Board terms expire June 30, 2019. They are both willing to serve again. Peter Edquist moved to re-appoint Lane Peeler and Jon Byers for 3-year terms expiring June 30, 2022. Mike Burrage seconded the motion and it was approved by a 5/0 vote.

12. Spring Litter Sweep Waiver Approval: Micah Edquist moved to table the Spring Litter Sweep planned for April 13, 2019. Mike Burrage seconded the motion and it was approved by a 5/0 vote.

The cancelation was due to Pfeiffer University Student Acceptance Day scheduled for the same time coupled with a lack of public response and potential rain.

Council chose to move forward with approving the Waiver Form for future use. Mike Burrage moved to adopt the Waiver Form. Jeff Watson seconded the motion and it was approved by a 5/0 vote.

13. Resolution in Opposition of SB179 & HB278 – The North Carolina League of Municipalities recommended opposing SB179 and HB278 which is a proposed benefit for firefighters called a “special separation allowance,” without a state funding source. Municipal taxpayers would be forced to pay the entire cost of this new retirement benefit.

Micah Edquist moved to approve the “Resolution in Opposition of Senate Bill 179 and House Bill 278 Parity for First Responders. Mike Burrage seconded the motion and it was approved 5/0.

14. Other Business: Anita Blair presented sample signage for feedback from Council regarding a sign for Historic Gladstone. She will obtain a draft and pricing.

15. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm.

Mayor Michael “Frizbee” Herron

Date

Anita Blair, Administrator/Clerk

Date