



**REGULAR  
MEETING *MINUTES*  
MAYODAN TOWN COUNCIL  
April 8, 2024  
6:00 p.m.  
James A. Collins Municipal Building**

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL PRESENT:**

Mayor Dwight Lake  
Melanie Barnes  
Doug Cardwell  
John Miller  
Buck Shelton

**ABSENT:**

Letitia Goard

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Town Attorney Eugene Russell  
Interim Town Manager Richard Hicks  
Town Clerk Sarah Hopper

The Mayodan Town Council met at 6:00 pm on April 8, 2024, in the Council room of the James A. Collins Municipal Building, and with a quorum present, Mayor Lake called the meeting to order.

**INVOCATION:**

Invocation given by Reverend Tracy Schumpert, with Madison United Methodist Church, Madison.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor and Town Council members.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

No one wished to speak.

**PRESENTATION**

**A. Rockingham Outdoor Recreation Master Plan**

Lindsay Pegg with Rockingham County Economic Development, Small Business and Tourism and Anna Wheeler with Dan River Basin association presented a power point to Council requesting them to approve a resolution in support of the Outdoor Recreation Master plan for Rockingham County communities.

**Motion** by Councilmember Miller, seconded by Councilmember Shelton, to approve a Resolution to award support of the Outdoor Recreation Master plan for Rockingham County Communities.

Ayes: Councilmembers Barnes, Cardwell, Miller, and Shelton.

Nays: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Approval of Agenda, Regular and Special Meeting Minutes of March 7, 11 and 13, 2024**

**Motion** by Councilmember Cardwell, seconded by Councilmember Barnes, to approve the Agenda, Regular and Special Meeting Minutes of March 7, 11 and 13, 2024 as presented.

Ayes: Councilmembers Barnes, Cardwell, Miller, and Shelton.

Nays: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### **A. Contract for Planning and Zoning Services**

Interim Town Manager Richard Hicks spoke to Council regarding a potential contract with Piedmont Triad Regional Council for planning and zoning services. The contract would start July 1, 2024 and go for six months. During this time period the fee would be \$640 (which would be for 8 hours a month) a month to help with general zoning questions. At the end of the six months, it can be revisited to see if the services would need to continue.

**Motion by** Councilmember Cardwell, seconded by Councilmember Barnes, to contract with Piedmont Triad Regional Council for zoning services starting July 1, 2024 through January 2025.

Ayes: Councilmembers Barnes, Cardwell, Miller, and Shelton.

Nays: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **B. Scope of work for OSBM Park Grant**

Council has requested a proposal for the development of pickleball courts at Farris Park. Staff has received a proposal estimated at \$598,000 from HM KERN corp. This has been postponed waiting on, a second proposal.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **A. Proposal for Town Hall Fiber Connection**

Interim Town manager Mr. Hicks spoke to council regarding a proposal for town hall fiber connection. Mr. Hicks stated due to recent improvements Spectrum has reached out to the Town and advised that fiber is now available. With the additional cameras for the police department, more robust software and more computer programs, the basic fiber lacks the speed and reliability of fiber. Spectrum has proposed a single 100Mx100M dedicated fiber that would service both Town Hall and the Police Department for \$635 a month and would include firewall, break, and fix repairs and all necessary software. Currently the town hall and the police department are paying \$500 for internet. The service agreement would be for 60 months.

**Motion by** Councilmember Cardwell, seconded by Councilmember Shelton, to approve 500 meg fiber and fire wall for town hall and the police department.

Ayes: Councilmembers Barnes, Cardwell, Miller, and Shelton.

Nays: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **B. Selection of Fuel Provider**

Interim town manager Mr. Hicks stated that Chad Wall with Dan River Oil has reached out to the town inquiring about the Town's fuel business back since he is no longer the mayor. Mr. Hicks stated that staff had reached out to the current fuel provider Rentz-Eden Oil as well as Dan River Oil requesting information on how the fuel was being priced from each vendor. Mr. Wall with Dan River Oil was the only one that provided the information to the town. Currently Dan River Oil prices their fuel with a \$.20 per gallon markup. Mr. Hicks went on to state that the Town doesn't pay state or federal gas taxes. Mr. Hick's also stated that Mr. Wall offered to install a gasoline tank at Farris Park.

**Motion by** Councilmember Miller, seconded by Councilmember Cardwell, to approve Dan River Oil to provide fuel for the town.

Ayes: Councilmembers Barnes, Cardwell, Miller, and Shelton.

Nays: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **C. Award of Bids-Inflow & Infiltration Improvement**

Interim town manager Richard Hicks stated that bids were received on March 19, 2024 for the proposed Inflow and Infiltration improvements to the Town's Wastewater collection system. The low bidder was Citty's Plumbing and Pools, Inc. Their bid was in the amount of \$531,050.00. The Town's Engineer LKC Engineering Bill Lester has recommended to deduct \$29,750.00 and include the alternate bid item at \$99,200.00 which would bring the total bid amount to \$600,500.00. The alternate bid would be to replace certain manholes as opposed to rehabilitation of the manholes. Mr. Hicks stated the town has allocated \$1,000,000.00 for this project to include construction, engineering, bid assistance and inspections. Bill Lester with LKC, Engineering provided council with a recommendation of award.

**Motion by** Councilmember Cardwell, seconded by Councilmember Barnes, to approve, a Resolution to award the bid for Inflow and Infiltration improvements to Citty's Plumbing, and Pools, Inc.

Ayes: Councilmembers Barnes, Cardwell, Miller, and Shelton.

Nays: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **D. Paint A Hydrant Program**

Public Works Director Joey Hudy asked council to approve the paint a hydrant program. Applications are available to the community to turn fire hydrants on Main Street and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue into works of art. Mr. Hudy stated each participant would provide their own paint and would have to fill out an application with rules and regulations.

**Motion by** Councilmember Barnes, seconded by Councilmember Shelton, to approve paint a hydrant program.

Ayes: Councilmembers Barnes, Cardwell, Miller, and Shelton.

Nays: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **E. Budget Amendment #16 & #17**

Finance Director Brianna Cardwell asked Council to approve budget amendment #16 to recognize additional Water and Sewer Revenues and allocate capital expenses. Mrs. Cardwell also is asking approval for budget amendment #17 Unrestricted Cemetery funds to purchase Work Truck and Mower for Cemetery. Remaining Cemetery Fund Balance \$87,000.

**Motion by** Councilmember Barnes, seconded by Councilmember Miller, to approve budget amendment #16 & budget amendment #17.

Ayes: Councilmembers Barnes, Cardwell, Miller, and Shelton.

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

**Motion by** Councilmember Shelton, seconded by Councilmember Miller, to enter into closed session pursuant to [N.C.G.S 143-318.11(a)(6)] to consider personnel matter.

Ayes: Councilmembers Barnes, Cardwell, Miller, and Shelton.

Nays: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

Entered into closed session at 7:02 p.m.

**Motion by** Councilmember Barnes, seconded by Councilmember Cardwell, to return to open session.

Ayes: Councilmembers Barnes, Cardwell, Miller, and Shelton

Nays: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

Returned to open session at 7:12 p.m.

**MANAGER/ COUNCIL COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Upcoming events

NICA Race April 19-2, 2024

Arts and Craft Festival at Farris Park April 27,2024 8-2pm

Community Day June 1, 2024 at Elliott Duncan Park

Cars and Coffee at Farris Park will start June 15,2024

**Motion** by Councilmember Cardwell, seconded by Councilmember Barnes, to recess meeting to April 22,2024 at 6:00pm.

Ayes: Councilmembers Barnes, Cardwell, Miller, and Shelton

Nays: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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Sarah Hopper, Town Clerk

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E. Dwight Lake, Mayor

# Outdoor Recreation Mayodan, NC

Lindsay Pegg- Tourism Manager  
Anna Wheeler- Dan River Basin Association

## RoCo Outdoor Recreation Master Plan

There are currently 38 projects listed in the RC ORMP and 7 initiatives

Projects in Mayodan:

- Farris Memorial Park Trails
- Mayo River Access
- Mayodan/Stoneville/MRSP Connection



## Projects in Rockingham

Projects currently in progress:

- High Rock Ford
- Jacobs Creek Restoration
- Mayodan Greenway
- Matrimony Creek/Dan River Greenway extension
- Idol Park
- 704 Access
- Draper Landing
- Chingqua Penn Trail Enhancements
- Government Trail Network

Project Enhancements ongoing:

- Family Friendly Improvements
- Trails K12
- Lifejacket Borrow Stations
- Water Safety Check
- Climate Resiliency
- Anti-litter Campaigns
- Trail Culture

## CORE Program

*Creating Outdoor Recreation Economies*

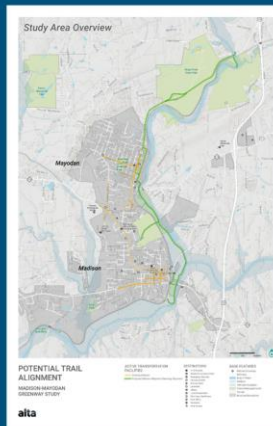
Rockingham County was one of thirty-four local governments from across the state selected to participate in the program.

- The CORE program offers strategic planning and technical assistance to help rural communities leverage North Carolina's abundant outdoor recreation assets to bolster local economic vitality.



## Madison-Mayodan Greenway Study

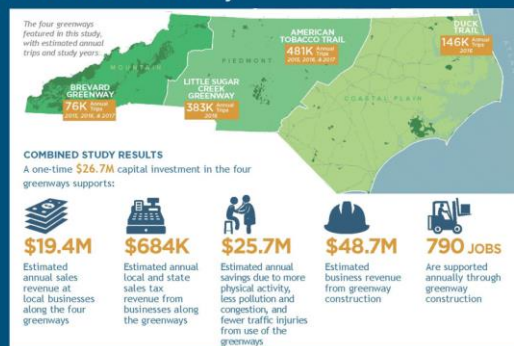
The Towns of Madison and Mayodan, Rockingham County, NC Parks, and the Piedmont Triad RPO are working together to study the feasibility of creating a greenway trail from Mayo River State Park to the Towns of Mayodan and Madison.



## Outdoor Recreation Economy

### RETURN ON INVESTMENT:

- Every \$1.00 of trail construction supports \$1.72 annually from local business revenue, sales tax revenue, and benefits related to health and transportation.



## The NUMBERS

What does the outdoor recreation economy look like for Rockingham County?

- Visitors spent a record \$88.19 million in 2022.
- Visit NC reported that visitors spent \$10.22 million in recreation.
  - Food & Beverage
  - Transportation
  - Lodging
  - Retail
- The overall increase across all sectors landed Rockingham County a spending growth rate of 13.2%, making it the 22nd fastest growing tourism revenue in the state for 2022.

## Available Funding Sources

GRANT	Notification of Funding (NOFO)	Application Deadline	Grant Selection
<a href="#">Parks &amp; Recreation Trust Fund (PARTF)</a>	November 1, 2023	May 1, 2024 *RRS review due March 15, 2024	Late Summer/Early Fall 2024
<a href="#">Accessible Parks (AP)</a>	January 2, 2024	May 1, 2024 *RRS review due March 15, 2024	August 23, 2024
<a href="#">Connecting Communities to State Trails Grants (CCST)</a>	January 24, 2024	May 29, 2024	Fall/Winter 2024
<a href="#">Great Trails State Program</a>	March 1, 2024	September 3, 2024	
<a href="#">Recreation Trails Program (RTP)</a>			

## Additional Grant Programs

GRANT	Notification of Funding (NOFO)	Application Deadline	Grant Selection
<a href="#">Land &amp; Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)</a>			
<a href="#">Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP)</a>			
<a href="#">NC Land &amp; Water Fund</a>			

Piedmont Legacy Trails - Partner Resources Page:

<https://www.piedmonttrails.org/partner-resources/>

## Partners

- Local:
  - Dan River Basin Association
  - Mayo River State Park
  - Resilient Trails Network
  - Piedmont Conservation Council
  - Piedmont Triad RPO (Rural Planning Organization)
  - Rockingham County TDA
- State:
  - Great Trails State Coalition
  - Piedmont Legacy Trails
  - NC Triad Outdoors
  - NC State Parks
  - Outdoor NC

