



# Town Council Meeting Recap

April 22, 2025

## Presentations

- Quarterly Financial Update

## Approved

- A design contract with Lawrence Associates for a new road at Chestnut Square Park not to exceed \$49,500. The plan would eliminate Shady Bluff and use those funds to construct a new roadway from the new parking lot area on the west side of the property through the newly acquired property that fronts Indian Trail Road. Staff recommend moving forward with the new roadway design now, rather than waiting for the community center analysis to be completed. Staff believe that regardless of how the Council decides to proceed with the Chestnut Square Park Phase 2B project, the new roadway should be built to maximize the overall property.
- An interlocal agreement with Union County for improvements at the Old Monroe Road/Hayes Road/Faircroft Way intersection. This will allow the Town to participate in another of the County's Critical Intersection Analysis projects. The Town will be responsible for a local match of \$4,000, with the County contributing the other \$4,000.00 for a concept design and cost estimate.
- To move forward with Option 2 for tennis and pickleball court facilities in the amount of \$480,000. This option includes keeping the tennis courts at Chestnut Square Park and installing new pickleball courts at Crooked Creek Park. The scope of work includes, but is not limited to, surveying, designing, and constructing hard court venue facilities, a shelter structure with a concrete pad, a sidewalk path, and the installation of a lighting system.
- Updating the Town's Pavement Condition database and a contract with ESP Associates, Inc., not to exceed \$45,515.
- A resolution opposing House Bill 765. The proposed bill takes away local control, fast-tracks development, retroactively voids local development ordinances, bans density by lot size, undermines the Town's commitment to transparency and accountability, and eliminates public hearings and citizen input for subdivision decisions.

## Discussed

- Law Enforcement update from Lt. Chad Evans.
- Director of Engineering Todd Huntsinger presented the public outreach results for Union County's 2023 Critical Intersection Improvement Program. The presentation focused on the Rogers Road and Wesley Chapel Road intersection, the three intersection alternatives, and the public survey response to these options.

## Manager's Report

- The Town is in the final stages of developing an Emergency Operations Plan to help the Town prepare a variety of potential emergency situations.
- The Union County Chamber is hosting two ribbon cuttings in April that are relevant to Indian Trail:
  - Grand opening of Eggs Up Grill on Friday, April 25, at 10:30 a.m. The address is 5124 Old Charlotte Highway.
  - Relocation celebration for Union County Crisis Assistance Ministry on Tuesday, April 29, at 1 p.m. The address is 216 N. Hayne Street in Monroe.

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- The Emerald Woods Waterline Completion Celebration, in collaboration with Union County, is scheduled for Wednesday, May 7, at 4 p.m. in the Emerald Woods neighborhood.
- The Mayor Tree Education Initiative saw another successful year. We visited eight schools and worked with 972 students over the last two weeks. Fourth-grade students learned about the importance of trees, planted a tree on their school campus, and received a tree to plant at home.
- Staff are continuing to make progress on the Public Works facility. At tonight's meeting, the Council approved a resolution to set a public hearing to annex the property for the facility. The public hearing will be at the May 13 meeting.
- The Town submitted a request to NCDOT for reimbursement for some of the right-of-way acquisition along Indian Trail Road.
- There are some road and stormwater issues at the entrance to Indian Trail Elementary School. The work is more extensive than the Town originally anticipated. We are working on a game plan and will provide an update once we determine a solution.
- At the next Council meeting the Town Manager will present the Manager's recommended FY26 budget. It will then become the Town Council's budget to review and modify. The Town also has a long list of capital projects. Before the budget is approved, we will need to hold a workshop with the Council Members to prioritize projects and determine a plan for funding.
- Budget Schedule:
  - May 13: Manager's recommended budget presented to the Town Council.
  - May 14-June 10: The FY26 budget will be available to the public.
  - May 27: Budget public hearing.
  - June 10: Budget adoption.
- At the upcoming **May 13 meeting**, the council will hear the formal FY26 budget presentation and a presentation from Centralina Regional Council, vote on a public hearing, several street acceptances, and a possible resolution of censure of Council Member Barber, and review the social media comment policy. These items are subject to change.

## Meeting Recording

- For more information about these items, watch the April 22 meeting recording at <https://youtu.be/52ltMKYgZ2U>.

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