

**CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA
April 12, 2022
6:30 p.m.**

- 1. Opening of meeting by John P. Hutchinson.**
- 2. Invocation.**
- 3. Amendments and Changes to Agenda.**
- 4. Consent Agenda:**
 - A. Disposition of Minutes of the March 8, 2022 Regular Meeting.**
 - B. Tax Collector’s Report. (See Pages 4-9)**

Informational Items:

- 1.) Monthly Collection Report**
- 2.) Uncollected Taxes as of March 31, 2022.**

Action Items:

- 1.) Refunds per County Assessor’s Office.**
- 2.) Discovery bills added to Tax Scroll.**
- 3.) Releases per County Assessor’s Office.**

- 5. Business by Planning Board.**
 - A. Set Public Hearing:**
 - 1. Request for Annexation: Set public hearing for a voluntary, contiguous annexation petition for approximately 51.96 acres located at 801 US Hwy 74 Business East and identified at Richmond County PIN 7482-01-15-3498. (See Pages 10-13 & Map Inserts)**
 - B. Hold Public Hearing: (None)**
 - C. Minutes from Various Boards : (None)**

- 6. Consideration of Approval of Audit Contract for Fiscal Year End June 30, 2022 with Anderson Smith & Wike, PLLC (Contract included separately in packet).**
- 7. Adoption of Ordinance for the SCIF/State Capital and Infrastructure Funds Grant. (See Page 14)**
- 8. Consideration of a Demolition Ordinance for the dilapidated dwelling located at 206 S. Brookwood Avenue and identified as Richmond County PIN # 7473-14-34-4082. (See Pages 15-17 & Insert)**
- 9. Business by Visitors.**
- 10. Business by City Clerk.**
- 11. Business by City Manager.**
- 12. Business by City Attorney.**
- 13. Items of discussion by City Council Members.**
- 14. Business by Mayor**
- 15. Adjournment.**

Rockingham, NC

City Council Agenda

SUPPORT DOCUMENTS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES

YEAR	AMOUNT	Mar-22
2021	129,701.02	
2020	14,537.23	
2019	8,252.72	
2018	6,781.31	
2017	6,017.90	
2016	5,435.13	
2015	5,903.59	
2014	6,112.28	
2013	7,963.05	
2012	6,196.47	
2011	5,783.62	
	129,701.02	Total Current Year
	72,983.30	Total Past Years
	202,684.32	Total All Years

CITY OF ROCKINGHAM
MONTHLY RELEASES REGISTER
MARCH 31, 2022

DATE	ACCOUNT	NAME	EXPLANATION	YEAR	BILL #	VALUE	CITY TAX	CITY LATE	INTEREST	DVERTISIN	SP. ASSESS.	RELEASED
3/7/22	33916	BOULDIN TRUCKING LLC	NOT IN CITY LIMITS	2021	5573	209,578	1215.55	121.56	4.25			1,341.36
3/7/22	10499301	SHEPPARD, TINA D	OWE UNDER \$1.00						0.11			0.11
3/8/22	41158201	REESE, KEITH	NOT IN CITY LIMITS	2021	9314	5,229	30.33	3.03	0.66			34.02
3/18/22	34415	CAREY, SHATEF JABIR	NOT IN CITY LIMITS	2021	5577	14,327	83.10	8.31	3.21			94.62
3/21/22	22588301	LIDL US	ADJUST AFTER APPEAL	2020	3137	1,813,231	10516.74					10,516.74
3/21/22	22588301	LIDL US	ADJUST AFTER APPEAL	2021	8559	1,813,231	10516.74					10,516.74
3/22/22	109587301	SMITH, MARTHA & GARRY	CHARGED TO WRONG TAXPAYER	2021	10416						207.33	207.33
												0.00
												0.00
		TOTALS				3,855,596	22,362.46	132.90	8.23	0.00	207.33	22,710.92

CITY OF ROCKINGHAM
MONTHLY REFUNDS REGISTER
MARCH 31, 2022

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
1	DATE	ACCOUNT	NAME	EXPLANATION	YEAR	AMOUNT	LATE LIST	TAGS	INTEREST	REFUNDED	CHECK #
2	3/22/22	47733561	ALICEA, CLAUDIA GRIGGS, DIANNA CHAVIS	VEH TAX REFUND	2022			15.90		15.90	81118
3	3/22/22	47615970		VEH TAX REFUND	2022			23.25		23.25	81124
4	3/22/22	40211837	PARKER, AMY LEE	VEH TAX REFUND	2022			19.09	0.96	20.05	81128
5	3/22/22	64477215	PERKINS, BARBARA	VEH TAX REFUND	2022			213.89		213.89	81130
6	3/22/22	33916	BOULDIN TRUCKING	OVERPMT	2021	1,215.55				1,215.55	81138
7	3/22/22	41158201	REESE, KEITH	OVERPMT	2021	14.39				14.39	81139
8	3/18/22	101876301	WALLACE, ANNETTE	SMALL OVERPMT UNDER \$1.00	2021	0.03				0.03	
9	3/25/22	22588301	LIDL US OPERATIONS LLC	OVERPMT	2021	21,033.48				21,033.48	81155
10										0.00	
11										0.00	
12										0.00	
13										0.00	
14										0.00	
15			TOTALS			\$22,263.45	\$0.00	\$256.23	\$0.96	\$22,536.54	

Staff Report to Planning and Zoning Board
Agenda Item: IV.A
May 3, 2022

Issue:

Request for Annexation: Goshen Medical Center, Inc. has submitted a voluntary, contiguous annexation petition for approximately 51.96 acres located at 801 US Hwy 74 Business East and identified at Richmond County PIN 7482-01-15-3498.

Background:

On April 1, 2022, Goshen Medical Center, Inc. submitted a voluntary, contiguous annexation petition for approximately 51.96 acres located at 801 US Hwy 74 Business East. The subject property is located immediately adjacent to the existing city limit boundary. The property owner plans to develop a medical office on the property and requested access to City services, specifically sewer service.

Staff Comments:

1. A copy of the annexation petition and map illustrating the location of the subject property are included in the agenda packet. A zoning map and an aerial map are also included for the Board's reference.
2. The subject property complies with the statutory requirements set forth in NCGS 160A-31 for voluntary, contiguous annexation by 100% petition.
3. As illustrated on the map included in the agenda packet, a portion of the subject property is located in Hamlet's ETJ. City staff recommends this portion of the property be zoned Highway Business (B-3) at the effective date of the annexation.
4. If the annexation is approved, an 8-inch gravity sewer line must be extended along US Hwy Business East to provide service to the property. The preliminary cost estimate for such extension is \$300,000. City water service is available to the subject property.

Staff Recommendation:

City staff recommends the Board review the request and recommend the City Council annex the property as requested by the applicant and zone the portion of the property currently located in Hamlet's ETJ Highway Business (B-3).

Planning Board Recommendation:

The Planning Board will review the requested annexation at their May 3, 2022 meeting date and provide a recommendation to the City Council prior to the public hearing on the request.

PETITION REQUESTING CONTIGUOUS ANNEXATION

To the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rockingham:

1. I/We, the undersigned owner(s) of real property, respectfully request annexation of the property described herein to the City of Rockingham.
2. The area requested for annexation is contiguous to the City of Rockingham and the boundaries of such territory are as follows:

All and Singular, that certain tract of land located in Richmond County, North Carolina identified by Richmond County parcel identification number 7482-01-15-3498 and more specifically described as follows:

Tract 1

BEGINNING at an existing iron stake located in the northern edge of the right-of-way of U.S. Highway 74 having North Carolina Grid Coordinates of N-423,767.23 and E-1,781,707.03; thence along such right-of-way N 56°16' W 195.52 feet to an existing right-of-way monument; thence continuing along said right-of-way N 53°35' W 838.04 feet to an existing iron stake; thence leaving said right-of-way N 19°37" E 517.46 feet to an existing iron stake; thence N 03°51' E 126.19 feet to a new iron stake; thence N 03°51' E 102.0 feet to a new iron stake; thence N 03°51' E 1544.88 feet to an existing iron stake; thence S 04°13' E 560.68 feet to an existing iron stake; thence S 04°16' W 884.46 feet to an existing iron stake; thence S 62°29" E 289.93 feet to an existing concrete monument; thence S 03°22' W 354.15 feet to an existing iron stake; thence S 86°12' E 315.58 feet to an existing iron stake; thence S 04°32' W 1045.86 feet to an existing iron stake; thence N 78°08' W 211.23 feet to an existing iron stake; thence S 30°50' W 373.25 feet to the point and place of BEGINNING, containing approximately 49.79 acres, more or less, and being the same property described as Tract 1 on the "Plat of Property Surveyed for Burgess O Johnson" date March 7, 1989, prepared by James L. Haines & Associates, R.L.S., to which reference is made for a more adequate description of the same.

Tract 2

BEGINNING at a new iron stake located N 15°16' E a distance of approximately 696.50 feet from the intersection of the northerly edge of the right-of-way of U. S. Highway 74 and the easterly edge of the right-of-way of U.S. Highway 74 and the easterly edge of the right-of-way of S.R. 1641 (now or formerly Clemmons Mill Road); thence S 74°47' E 936.63 feet to a new iron stake in the western line of Tract 1; thence along said western line, S 03°51' W 102.0 feet to a new iron stake; thence N 74°47' W 966.82 feet to a new iron stake in the easterly edge of the right-of-way of S.R. 1641; thence along such right-of-way N 15°16' E 100 feet to the point and place of BEGINNING, and containing 2.17 acres, more or less, and being the same property described as Tract 2 on the "Plat of Property Surveyed for Burgess O. Johnson" date March 7, 1989, prepared by James L. Haines & Associates, R.L.S to which reference is made for a more adequate description of the same.

Save and Except that portion of Tract 2 previously annexed inside the City Limits of Rockingham as illustrated on the "City of Rockingham Official Zoning Map".

3. A map is attached illustrating the area proposed for annexation in relation to the primary corporate limits of the City of Rockingham.

Property Owner Name: Goshen Medical Center, Inc. (Greg Bounds, CEO)

Address: 412 S. West Center St
Faison NC 28341

Property Owner Signature: Greg Bounds

Date: April 1, 2022

NORTH CAROLINA

Duplin COUNTY

I, a Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, certify that Greg Bounds personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged that he/she is the owner and/or duly authorized representative of the property owner, and that by authority duly given and as an act of the property owner, the foregoing instrument was signed requesting annexation of the above-described property by the City of Rockingham.

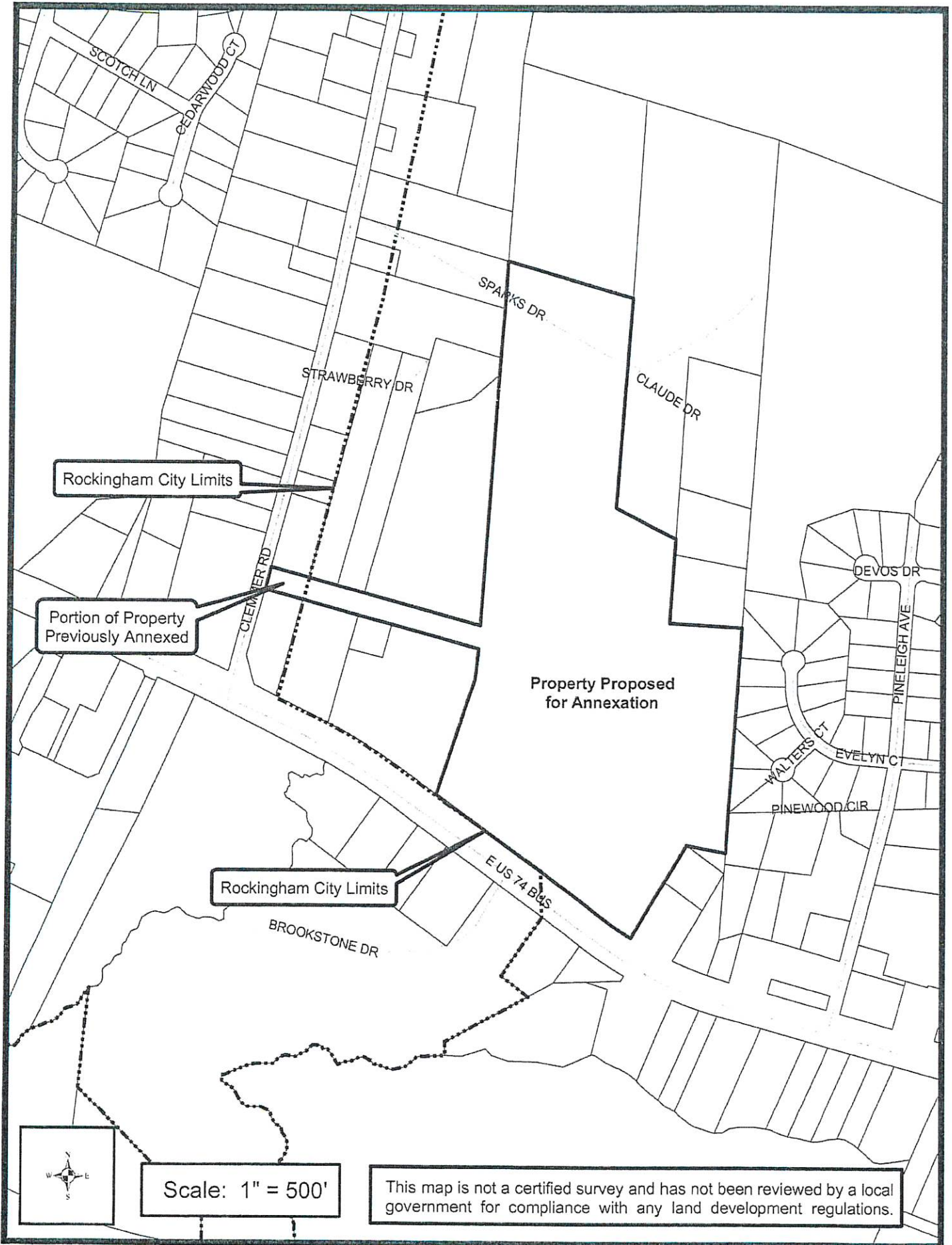
Witness my hand and official stamp or seal, this 1 day of April, 2022.

Maia G Bentz
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

August 25, 2024.





Rockingham City Limits

Portion of Property Previously Annexed

Property Proposed for Annexation

Rockingham City Limits



Scale: 1" = 500'

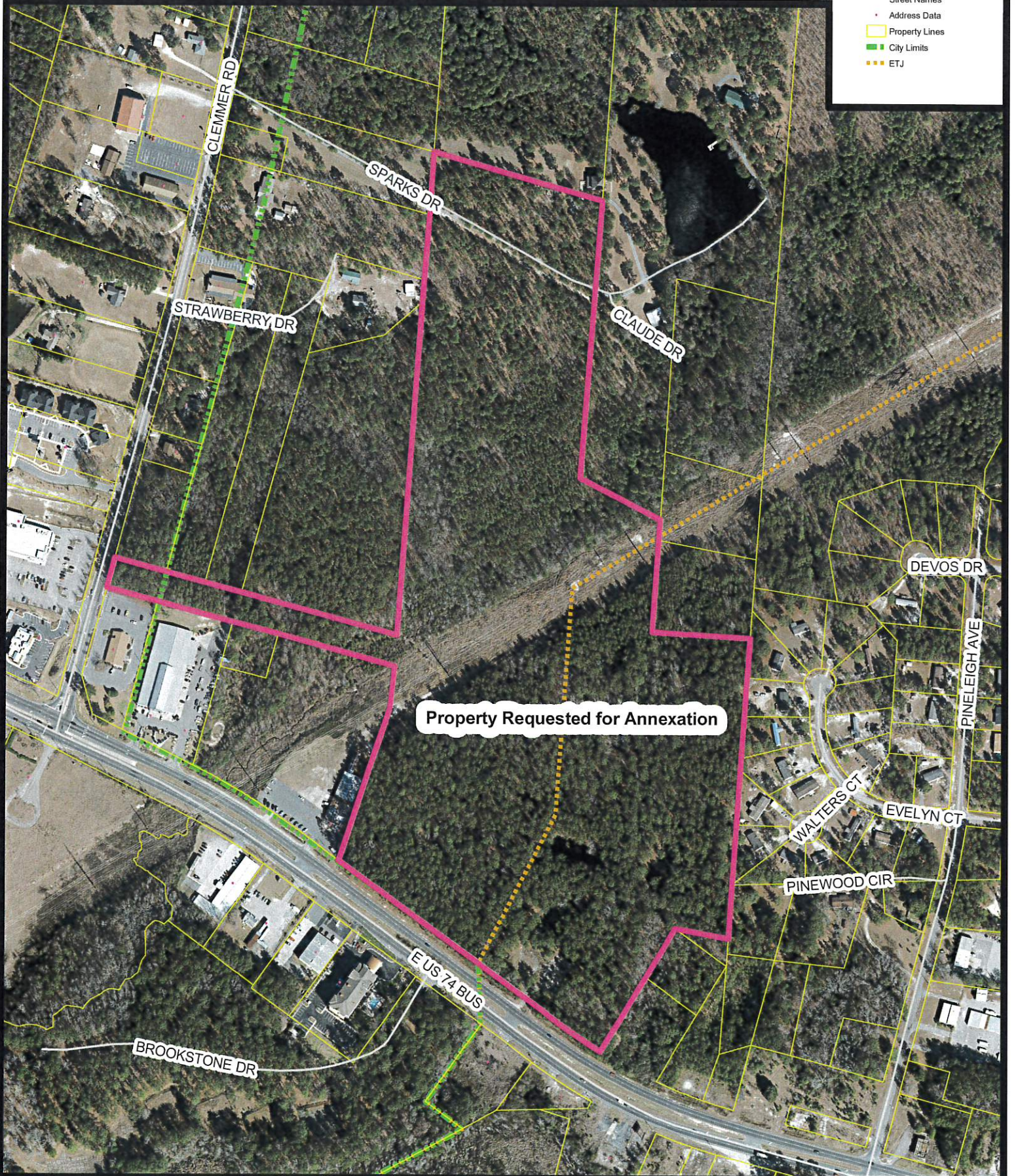
This map is not a certified survey and has not been reviewed by a local government for compliance with any land development regulations.

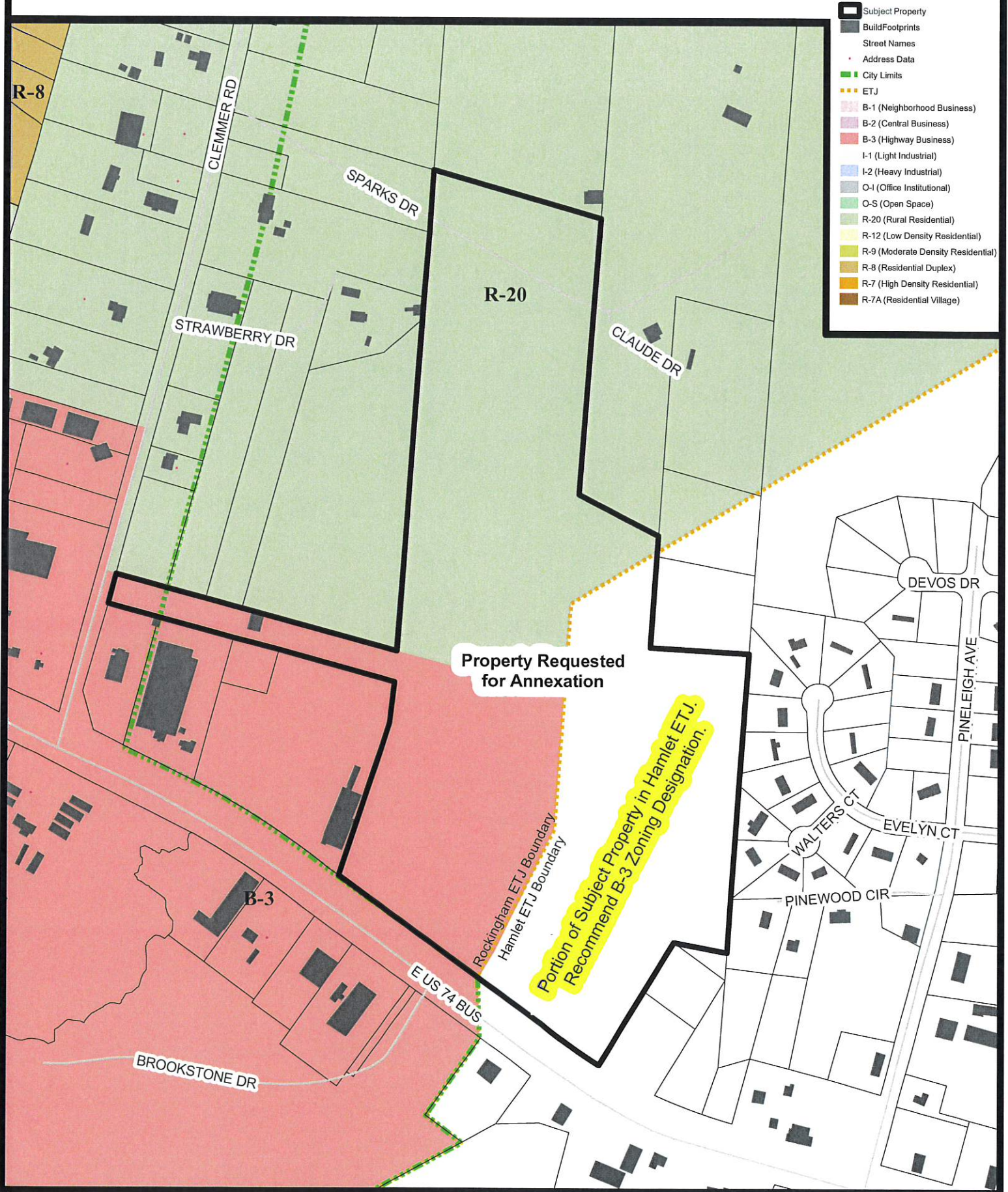
Goshen Medical Center, Inc. Request for Annexation



Scale:
1" = 400'

- Subject Property
- Street Names
- Address Data
- Property Lines
- City Limits
- ETJ







GRANT PROJECT ORDINANCE ADOPTING A SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TO TRACK STATE CAPITAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF STATE BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT FOR THE CITY OF ROCKINGHAM.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Rockingham, 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 funded by State Capital and Infrastructure Funds received from the North Carolina Office of State Budget and Management (SCIF). The City of Rockingham is allocated \$300,000;

SECTION 2: The Finance Officer and City Manager are hereby directed to approve all expenditures of SCIF to ensure funds are spent in accordance with the Scope of Work provided to the North Carolina Office of State Budget and Management and are not spent on prohibited purposes;

SECTION 3: The following amounts are appropriated for the project and authorized for expenditure:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
66-430-3450	Contracted Services	\$300,000

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

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
66-301-0000	SCIF Grant	\$300,000

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.

SECTION 6: Copies of this ordinance shall be furnished to the City Manager, City Clerk, and the Finance Officer.

SECTION 7: This grant project ordinance expires on June 30, 2023, or when all the SCIF funds have been obligated and expended by the City, whichever occurs sooner.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2022.

Signed: _____

John P. Hutchinson
Mayor

Sabrina Y. McDonald, CMC, City Clerk

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor John P. Hutchinson and City Council Members

From: John R. Massey, Jr., Assistant City Manager

Date: April 1, 2022

Re: Demolition Ordinance for Dilapidated Dwelling located at **206 S. Brookwood Avenue**

City staff recommends the City Council approve a demolition ordinance for the dilapidated dwelling located at 206 S. Brookwood Avenue and identified as Richmond County PIN 7473-14-34-4082. A copy of the demolition ordinance and photographs of the property are included in the agenda packet.

As background information, City staff initiated minimum housing proceedings in August of 2021. The property owner, Johnnie Thomas, and parties of interest were notified of a hearing with the Code Enforcement Officer regarding the condition of the dwelling. The notice was sent via certified and regular mail; published in the Richmond County Daily Journal; and posted on the subject property. No one attended the hearing with the Code Enforcement Officer. The Code Enforcement Officer issued his findings of fact and directed the property owners to either repair or demolish the dwelling by March 16, 2022. Again, the notice was sent via certified and regular mail; published in the Richmond County Daily Journal; and posted on the subject property. The property owner has taken no action to date to address the dilapidated dwelling.

AN ORDINANCE DIRECTING THE BUILDING INSPECTOR TO REMOVE OR DEMOLISH THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED AS UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION AND DIRECTING THAT A NOTICE BE PLACED THEREON THAT THE SAME MAY NOT BE OCCUPIED.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Rockingham finds that the dwelling described herein is unfit for human habitation under the City Housing Code, and that all the procedures of the Housing Code have been complied with; and

WHEREAS, this dwelling should be removed or demolished, as directed by the Building Inspector, and should be placarded by placing thereon a notice prohibiting use for human habitation; and

WHEREAS, the owner of this dwelling, Johnnie Thomas, has been given a reasonable opportunity to bring the dwelling up to the standards of the Housing Code in accordance with G.S. 160D-1203 pursuant to an order issued by the Building Inspector on December 16, 2021 and the owner has failed to comply with the order;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Rockingham, that:

- Section 1. The Building Inspector is hereby authorized and directed to place a placard containing the legend "*This building is unfit for human habitation; the use or occupation of this building for human habitation is prohibited and unlawful.*" on the building located at 206 S. Brookwood Avenue and identified by Richmond County PIN# 7473-14-34-4082.
- Section 2. The Building Inspector is hereby authorized and directed to proceed to remove or demolish the above-described dwelling in accordance with his order to the owner thereof dated December 16, 2021 and in accordance with the Housing Code and G.S. 160D-1203.
- Section 3. (a) The cost of removal or demolition shall constitute a lien against the real property upon which the cost was incurred. The lien shall be filed in the office of the City Tax Collector and City Clerk, and shall have the same priority and be collected in the same manner as the lien for special assessments in Article 10 of G.S. Chapter 160A.
- (b) Upon completion of the required removal or demolition, the Building Inspector shall sell the materials of the dwelling and credit the proceeds against the cost of removal or demolition. The Building Inspector shall certify the remaining balance to the Tax Collector. If a surplus remains after sale of the materials and satisfaction of the cost of removal or demolition, the Building Inspector shall deposit the surplus in the Superior Court where it shall be secured and disbursed in the manner provided by G.S 160D-1203.

Section 4. It shall be unlawful for any person to remove or cause to be removed the placard from any building to which it is affixed. It shall likewise be unlawful for any person to occupy or to permit the occupancy of any building therein declared to be unfit for human habitation.

Section 5. This ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2022

Mayor

Attest: _____
City Clerk

NORTH CAROLINA

RICHMOND COUNTY

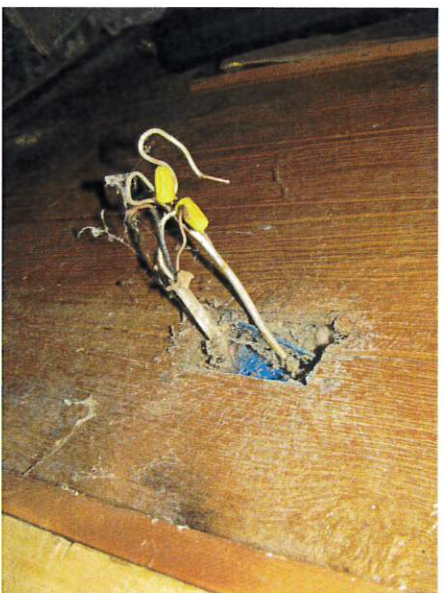
I, a Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, certify that Sabrina Y. McDonald personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged that she is City Clerk of the City of Rockingham, a North Carolina municipal corporation, and that by authority duly given and as an act of the corporation, the foregoing instrument was signed in its name by its Mayor, sealed with its municipal seal and attested by herself as its City Clerk.

Witness my hand and official stamp or seal, this _____ day of _____, 2022.

Notary Public

My Commission expires:

206 S. Brookwood Avenue



**DEPARTMENTAL
ACTIVITY REPORTS
for
COUNCIL'S INFORMATION**



George C. Gillenwater

Chief of Police

To: Monty Crump

From: G.C. Gillenwater
Chief of Police

Date: April 4, 2022
Ref: March Activity Report

On behalf of the Rockingham Police Department, I am pleased to submit this report for your consideration. The following activities have been undertaken by officers of the Rockingham Police Department.

Total Calls for the Month:	<u>1340</u>
Public Service Calls - INCLUDES <i>(Alarms, Escorts)</i>	<u>330</u>

Charges Generating Arrest:	
Felonies:	<u>18</u>
Misdemeanors:	<u>32</u>
Drug Violations:	<u>08</u>
Juvenile:	<u>11</u>
Warrants Served:	<u>108</u>
Citations:	<u>47</u>

Accidents Reported/Investigated:

Property Damage only:	<u>44</u>
Personal Injury:	<u>03</u>

Officer Hours Spent in Court:	<u>12</u>
Officer Training Hours Logged	<u>275</u>

To: Monty Crump, City Manager
From: Dave Davis, Recreation Director
Date: April 3, 2022
Subject: Activity Report

The following are activities that have been or are currently involving our department.

Indoor Soccer – This new program proved to be a very successful offering by our department with 137 children participating during the month of March. We had three leagues that played every weeknight concluding on Thursday, March 31st.

Spring Soccer – Due to Covid-19 restrictions this program has been on pause since the conclusion of the 2019 season. As we begin our 11th season we have 509 children registered to play. Our largest enrollment to date had been the 2019 season with 445 participants. So, the current number represents a 14% increase and coupled with the indoor number we'll have 646 children participating during March and April.

Baseball/Softball Registration – Like soccer these programs have been on pause since the 2019 season. Registration concludes on Friday, April 8th and thus far enrollment has been modest. We are cautiously optimistic but there are some concerns as to how much they will come back.

Browder Park (tennis courts) – With the assistance of public works our department is currently dismantling and restructuring this area. Our initial goal is to make this a multipurpose field that is flexible for a variety of use.

Hinson Lake – Yoga classes continue at this facility on Monday evenings from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. Additionally, weekend bookings are steady through the spring months.

FIRE CHIEF
HAROLD ISLER
ADMIN. ASST.
KRISTY PLAYER



March

We are pleased to submit the monthly fire report on the activities undertaken by the Rockingham Fire Department during the month of March 2022.

Total Alarms:	<u>58</u>	In Town:	<u>58</u>	Out of Town:	<u>0</u>
Turn In Alarms:	<u>0</u>	Silent Alarms:	<u>58</u>	Structure fire:	<u>0</u>
Wrecks:	<u>8</u>	Alarm Malf:	<u>11</u>	Good Intent:	<u>9</u>
Service Call:	<u>10</u>	Assist Police:	<u>0</u>	Trash/outside fire:	<u>7</u>
Power line down:	<u>3</u>	Assist Ems:	<u>0</u>	Unauthorized burn:	<u>0</u>
Smoke scare:	<u>1</u>	Cooking fire:	<u>0</u>	Vehicle fire:	<u>1</u>
Electrical:	<u>6</u>	Bomb Threat:	<u>0</u>	Spill/Leak:	<u>2</u>

Hours Spent on Calls: 11 hours 16 minutes

Total Property Exposed to Fire:	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total Property Damaged by Fire:	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total Property Saved:	<u>\$0.00</u>

During the month of March members of the fire department averaged 44 training hours per person; part-paid members averaged 4 hours per person for the month.

Respectfully Submitted,


Harold Isler
Fire Chief