

**WISE TOWN COUNCIL CONTINUED MEETING  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2021; 7:00 P.M.  
WISE MUNICIPAL BUILDING COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
501 WEST MAIN STREET - WISE, VIRGINIA 24293**

**Minutes**

**Members Present:**

Teresa Adkins, Mayor  
Laura Taylor-Baugh, Vice Mayor  
Ben Conway  
Jeffery Dotson  
Caynor Smith, Jr.

**Members Absent:**

None

**Public Expression:**

There being no one from the public audience wishing to comment, Mayor Adkins closed public expression.

**Public Hearing – Ordinance #11, 2021:**

Mayor Adkins opened the public hearing on “AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA TO AMEND AND REENACT ‘STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES-WISE MUNICIPAL CEMETERY ADDITION’ ESTABLISHING THE PRICE OF A BURIAL LOT IN 2010 ADDITION TO THE WISE MUNICIPAL CEMETERY”. Responding to a question regarding the number of lots remaining in the ‘old’ section of the cemetery, Town Manager Beverly Owens stated that the cemetery bylaws required that 25 grave sites be reserved for correction of potential deed errors and other mistakes. There being no one from the public audience wishing to comment, and no additional discussion, the public hearing was closed. Following the public hearing, Vice-Mayor Laura Taylor-Baugh made motion to approve Ordinance #11, 2021 as presented. Councilman Ben Conway seconded the motion. The vote was recorded by roll call:

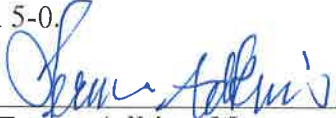
Teresa Adkins, Mayor	“Aye”
Laura Taylor-Baugh, Vice-Mayor	“Aye”
Ben Conway	“Aye”
Jeffery Dotson	“Aye”
Caynor Smith, Jr.	“Aye”

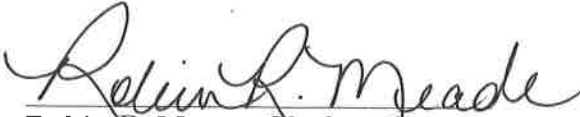
**Staff/ Manager Comment:**

Beverly Owens asked for direction in the public advertisement of the opening of the last section in the cemetery. Following a brief discussion, Laura Taylor-Baugh suggested that the names on the town’s cemetery waiting list be contacted first. Caynor Smith, Jr. voiced his opinion that there be no public advertisement, but rather, let the public become aware by “word of mouth”. Council concurred that only those people on the waiting list be contacted and no additional public advertisement be provided.

**Adjournment:**

There being no additional business to come before the governing body, Laura Taylor-Baugh moved to adjourn the meeting. Ben Conway seconded the motion that carried 5-0.

  
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Teresa Adkins, Mayor

  
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Robin R. Meade, Clerk of Council