

1 **PRESENT:** Mayor William L. Lewis, Jr.; Commissioners Jim Kohr, Josh Kohr, Karen  
2 Lewis, Danny Walsh, and Brenda Wilson  
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4 **STAFF**

5 **PRESENT:** City Manager Christopher McGee; Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Cindy  
6 Morgan; City Attorney Troy Smith; Information Technology Director Chad  
7 Ives; Police Chief Chris Morning; Fire Chief Tom Dorn; Recreation Director  
8 Travis Adams; Public Works Director Patrick Lee; Public Utilities Director Rick  
9 Day; Finance Director Lee Tillman; Planning Director Katrina Marshall; TEC  
10 Sales Manager Pam Holder; and Deputy City Clerk Mary Weigl  
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12 Mayor Will Lewis called the regular meeting of the Havelock Board of Commissioners to order  
13 at 7:01 p.m. on September 26, 2022 at the Havelock City Hall with a quorum present. At this  
14 time, Mayor Lewis called for a moment of silence, followed by the pledge of allegiance.  
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16 **REGULAR & CONSENT AGENDA**

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18 City Clerk Cindy Morgan presented the Board of Commissioners with the Regular Agenda and  
19 the Consent Agenda for their review and approval. Commissioner Lewis made a **motion to**  
20 **adopt the consent agenda and regular agenda as presented.** Commissioner Wilson seconded  
21 and the motion carried unanimously. (5-0) The motion included the following approvals:  
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23 **Regular Agenda as presented**

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25 **Consent Agenda as presented:**

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28 **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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30 Prior to discussing the agenda topics, Mayor Lewis stated he would like to give the public an  
31 opportunity to address the Board of Commissioners on any issue. Anyone providing a public  
32 comment was asked to speak their name and address for the record and noted that comments  
33 would be limited to five (5) minutes. In summary, it was further explained that the Board would  
34 take all comments and questions very seriously and would assign follow-up as necessary to City  
35 staff. As a result, the following appeared before the Board:  
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37 **Jerry Bennett, 423 Chadwick Avenue, Havelock, NC** Mr. Bennett stood before the Board  
38 this evening to express his appreciation of them and the Mayor, saying that they are doing a  
39 really good job for the City, and went on to thank them for what they do daily. He then thanked  
40 the police chief and his officers for their tireless work during recent events that have happened  
41 at the strip mall that his wife owns.  
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43 **Albert Lester, 706 Badger Lane, Havelock, NC** Mr. Lester stood before the Board this  
44 evening to say that he appreciates all the work that everyone does keep the City running  
45 smoothly. From the concerts to the movies, the recreation department had something for  
46 everyone to do. He thanked the Public Works department for keeping the roads clean and the  
47 grass cut.  
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49 Mr. Lester ended by saying that he especially enjoyed every minute of the Chili Festival this  
50 past weekend and thanked all of the volunteers that worked so hard in making sure that it was a  
51 success.  
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53 **Michele Leo, 200 Poplar Road, Havelock, NC** Ms. Leo stood before the Board this evening  
54 to say congratulations to the City Manager for coming in third place in the Chili competition  
55 this past weekend during the Chili Festival.  
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57 Ms. Leo also asked if it was possible to have lighting installed at the Woodhaven Bridge. Public  
58 Works Director Patrick Lee stated that he would look into that possibility.  
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60 **Jack Dunaway, 116 S. Forest Drive, Havelock, NC** Mr. Dunaway stood before the Board  
61 this evening to thank offer his thanks to, and recognize Officer Alicia Heath of the police  
62 department. Mr. Dunaway stated that he and his wife were traveling out of state and received a

63 text from a neighbor that there was a potential prowler. He relayed that he had the neighbor call  
64 the police and Officer Heath responded and, in the end, she called Mr. Dunaway about 30  
65 minutes later and reported that she had done a thorough search of the property and found nothing  
66 out of the ordinary. He was very impressed with her prompt response to his home and her  
67 investigation. He stated that in the end it all turned out to be a misunderstanding. Officer Heath  
68 and her professionalism made the rest of their travels home, okay.

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70 **REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

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72 **RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS:**

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74 **Shop with a Cop Donation**

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76 On September 10, 2022, the Havelock Moose Lodge and "Kats fer Kidz" held a fish fry with all  
77 proceeds received being donated to the "Havelock Police Department – Shop with a Cop"  
78 program.

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80 The citizens of Havelock demonstrated overwhelming support for the program, with \$1,247  
81 being collected. This donation will assist the department in reaching their goal of \$3,600. It was  
82 also noted that the donation will cover the cost of four (4) children. The "Shop with a Cop"  
83 program is a Christmas fundraiser that provides selected Havelock students with money to  
84 spend, on items of their choosing, during a shopping trip with local law enforcement.

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86 Havelock Police Sergeant Gaylan Finney and his wife from "Kats fer Kidz" were in attendance  
87 this evening and officially presented the City of Havelock with a donation check for this  
88 worthwhile cause.

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90 **National Night Out 2022**

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92 Police Chief Chris Morning appeared before the Board of Commissioners this evening to  
93 provide an overview of the events/activities planned for National Night Out.

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95 Proclamation #22-P-11 was presented to recognize the Havelock/MCAS Cherry Point National  
96 Night Out (NNO) Event, which will be held on Tuesday, October 4, 2022 beginning at 4:00  
97 p.m. at Walter B. Jones Park.

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99 The 2022 NNO event will mark the 13th year that the City of Havelock and MCAS Cherry Point  
100 have co-hosted the event, the 24th year that Havelock has participated in the event, and the 38th  
101 year for NNO nationally.

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103 Mayor Lewis read Proclamation #22-P-11 as:

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105 *City of Havelock, North Carolina Proclamation No. 22-P-11*  
106 *National Night Out 2022*

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108 *WHEREAS, the National Association of Town Watch is sponsoring a unique, nationwide crime, drug*  
109 *and violence prevention program entitled “National Night Out;” and*

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111 *WHEREAS, the “38th Annual National Night Out” provides a unique opportunity for Havelock to join*  
112 *forces with thousands of other communities across the country in promoting cooperative, police-community*  
113 *crime prevention efforts; and*

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115 *WHEREAS, the Havelock Community plays a vital role in assisting the Havelock Police Department*  
116 *through joint crime, drug and violence prevention efforts in Havelock and is supporting “National Night Out*  
117 *2022” locally; and*

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119 *WHEREAS, it is essential that all citizens of Havelock be aware of the importance of crime prevention*  
120 *programs and the impact that their participation can have on reducing crime, drugs and violence in Havelock;*  
121 *and*

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123 *WHEREAS, police-community partnerships, neighborhood safety, awareness and cooperation are*  
124 *important themes of the “National Night Out” program.*

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126 *NOW, THEREFORE, I, William L. Lewis, Jr., Mayor of the City of Havelock, do hereby proclaim October 4,*  
127 *2022 as:*

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130 **“NATIONAL NIGHT OUT IN HAVELOCK”**  
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132 *and encourage all citizens to participate and join the Havelock Police Department and the National Association*  
133 *of Town Watch in supporting the 38th Annual National Night Out.*  
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135 *IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Havelock to*  
136 *be affixed this the 26th day of September 2022.*  
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138 **2022 Brave Enough to Wear Pink Campaign**  
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140 Fire Chief Tom Dorn appeared before the Board of Commissioners this evening to provide a  
141 briefing on the department’s fundraising efforts for their annual “Brave Enough to Wear Pink”  
142 campaign, beginning on October 1, 2022. All proceeds from this fundraiser will go to the  
143 Havelock Fire/Rescue Cancer Center Fund managed by Carolina East Foundation. In addition  
144 to the adult pink t-shirts, children’s t-shirts will also be available. This year’s design features  
145 the Havelock High Schools very own ram mascot. All items are \$20 each and may be purchased  
146 at both Havelock fire stations and City Hall, as well as online at [www.havelocknc.us](http://www.havelocknc.us) and  
147 Havelock's Official Facebook Page.  
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149 It was pointed out the department has raised over \$143,000 during the last 14 years. Being a  
150 very worthwhile department fundraising event, the Board agreed to wear their pink shirts at the  
151 October 24th meeting to show their support.  
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153 **ORDINANCE AMENEDMENT – CHAPTER 90: ALLOWANCE OF CHICKENS**  
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155 The Board has discussed the proposed text amendment to allow chickens in the city limits at  
156 two recent workshops, June 13th and September 12th. In summary, the proposed text includes  
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- 159 A. The number of chickens allowed per the zoning district per single–family parcel and  
160 when a parcel is two (2) acres or larger, the maximum number of chickens allowed is  
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163 B. No roosters are permitted.  
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165 C. Slaughter is not permitted.  
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167 D. Chickens shall be confined in the rear yard of the property within a fenced area.  
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169 E. Any associated structure (i.e. coop) shall be restricted to the rear yard, and shall meet  
170 the required setback of seven (7) feet from the side and rear property lines. Enclosures  
171 shall allow a minimum of three (3) square feet per fowl.  
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173 Furthermore, a chicken coop permit and the associated fee shall be required for any coop. For a  
174 chicken coop with any dimension exceeding 12 feet, a building permit and associated fee shall  
175 be required. In a yard abutting a street, any coop requiring a Building Permit must meet the  
176 same setback as the house. A fence permit will also be required if a fence is added.  
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178 A Commissioner's motion and a second was sought to adopt Ordinance Amendment #22-O-03,  
179 an ordinance permitting chickens for personal domestic use in the corporate limits to include a  
180 maximum number of chickens allowed per single–family parcel within a zoning district; and  
181 the inclusion of a chicken coop permit fee of \$20.00 within the City's Fee Schedule, effective at  
182 12:01 a.m. on September 27, 2022.  
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184 At this time, Commissioner Josh Kohr **made a motion to adopt Ordinance Amendment #22-**  
185 **O-03, an ordinance permitting chickens for personal domestic use in the corporate limits**  
186 **to include a maximum number of chickens allowed per single–family parcel within a**  
187 **zoning district; and the inclusion of a chicken coop permit fee of \$20.00 within the City's**  
188 **Fee Schedule, effective at 12:01 a.m. on September 27, 2022.** Commissioner Lewis seconded  
189 and the motion carried unanimously. (5-0)  
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191 Ordinance Amendment #22-O-03 reads as:

CITY OF HAVELOCK  
 CODE OF ORDINANCES TEXT AMENDMENT  
 No. 22-O-03  
 PERMITTED ANIMALS – ALLOWANCE OF CHICKENS

BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Havelock, North Carolina that the following revisions be made to **“Chapter 90: Animals, Sections 90.16 and 90.17 Permitted Animals”** of the City of Havelock Code of Ordinances as follows:

**Please Note: “Blue indicates text to be added”**

General Provisions

- 90.01 Animals owned or kept at Cherry Point Marine Corps Air Station exempt
- 90.02 Enforcement
- Animals; Generally
- 90.15 Definitions
- 90.16 Prohibited animals
- 90.17 Permitted animals
- 90.18 Animals declared vicious
- 90.19 Animals declared dangerous
- 90.20 Inoculation against rabies; licensing of dogs, cats, ferrets, and miniature pigs
- 90.21 Dog feces
- 90.22 Trap, Neuter/Spay, Return (TNR) Program

§ 90.16 PROHIBITED ANIMALS.

(A) Prohibition. It shall be unlawful to own, keep, harbor, maintain, care for, or otherwise possess within the municipal limits of the City any wild animals, barnyard animals (excluding chickens, further identified in Section 90.17(6)), or any animal with a poisonous or toxic bite. The prohibition of this section shall not apply to any animal within the municipal limits of the City while in the possession of a duly licensed veterinarian for the purpose of care or treatment by the veterinarian, or while in transport directly to or from the office or place of business of a duly licensed veterinarian for such purpose.

§ 90.17 PERMITTED ANIMALS.

(A) Conditions. Those animals not specifically prohibited by § 90.16(A) shall be permitted subject to the following conditions.

(6) Chickens. Chickens are permitted for personal domestic use in the corporate limits as provided herein:

(A) The maximum number of chickens allowed per single-family parcel with a zoning district in the corporate limits is provided in Table 90.1.

(1) Roosters are not permitted.

Table 90.1 MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CHICKENS ALLOWED

Zoning District	Maximum Number of Chickens Allowed
R-7, R-10, R-12, & R-13	4
R-20 & R-20A	6
R-M & R-MH (Single-family Detached Dwellings ONLY)	4
Two (2) acre or greater lot in any Zoning District	12

(B) Fencing and coops.

(1) Chickens shall be confined in the rear yard of the property within a fenced area.

(2) A fence exceeding four feet in height and abutting a public or private street right-of-way must be set back at least 15 feet from the right-of-way.

(3) A fence permit will be required and the associated fee paid if a fence does not exist.

(4) For any coop, a permit must be obtained through the Planning and Inspections Department and a fee paid as listed in the City’s Fee Schedule.

(5) Coops shall be located in the rear yard and shall be set back at least seven (7) feet from the property line and inside the fence except as in paragraph (6) below.

(6) Any chicken coop with any dimension exceeding 12 feet will require a Building Permit and the associated fee and shall meet the setback requirements. In a yard abutting a street, the coop requiring a Building Permit shall not be closer to the street than the house.

(7) Coops shall allow a minimum of three (3) square feet per fowl.

(C) Slaughter is not permitted.

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*(D) Other domestic fowl, such as (but not limited to) peafowl, geese, and turkeys, are prohibited.*

*(E) The provisions of § 90.16(A) prohibiting barnyard animals and wild animals within the municipal limits of the City shall not apply to chickens only to the extent the chickens are permitted pursuant to this section.*

*This ordinance shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on September 27, 2022.*

*Adopted this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022.*

Mayor Lewis stated that any citizens who are currently in violation do have a 90-day grace period to come in to the Planning Department and complete the proper paperwork, and pay the required fees to become compliant.

Mr. Tyrone Cantey addressed the Board to ask if someone currently has a rooster, what would they need to do? The City Manager replied that the citizen would need to rehome the rooster outside of the City limits within 90-days from today.

**MONTHLY FINANCIAL PRESENTATION: AUGUST 2022 REPORT**

Finance Director Lee Tillman appeared before the Board of Commissioners this evening to present the August 2022 monthly financial report. The Finance Officer noted that sales tax still remains strong. August's Budget-to-Actual report shows that the department is at the high level of normal. The Department will continue to be monitored the next several months in case additional funding is necessary. Ms. Tillman noted the following items of interest to the Board:

- The audit is complete and the auditor will be at the televised October meeting to present his findings to the Board.
- The final Woodhaven project vendor payment was made today.
- With neighboring municipalities recently in the news about not reconciling their financial reports in a timely manner, the Finance Officer wanted to assure the Board that this is not the case with Havelock; she does reconcile the finance report every month, usually by the second working day of the month.

The Board's questions and comments on the report are solicited and welcomed. The report was presented as follows:

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**CITY OF HAVELOCK  
 BUDGET VERSUS ACTUAL  
 AUGUST 2022  
 GENERAL FUND**

**Revenues**

Source	Budget	Actual	Percentage
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 5,311,211	74,654	1.41%
Sales Tax	3,370,275	548,081	16.26%
Powell Bill	450,000	-	0.00%
Intergovernmental Revenues	1,539,549	67,762	4.40%
Permit Fees	122,148	58,397	47.81%
Rents & Concessions	209,250	72,551	34.67%
EMS Revenues	1,308,500	304,163	23.25%
Interest	12,153	7,610	62.62%
Other	3,234,751	13,929	0.43%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>15,557,837</b>	<b>1,147,147</b>	<b>7.37%</b>

**Expenditures**

Departments	Budget	Actual	Percentage
Governing Body	167,745	19,461	11.60%
ACT Expenses	19,270	10,000	51.89%
Economic Development	99,811	0	0.00%
Administration	1,012,022	10,756	1.06%
Finance & Revenue	267,307	(408,033)	-152.65%
Legal	85,000	12,768	15.02%
Information Technology	694,111	158,894	22.89%
Planning	447,431	103,444	23.12%
Police	3,355,670	678,260	20.21%
Animal Control	111,215	19,351	17.40%
Fire & EMS	2,742,657	649,881	23.70%
Public Works	337,812	77,408	22.91%
Street Lighting	161,500	16,730	10.36%
Garage	143,050	56,903	39.78%
Streets-Nonpowell	1,852,273	202,755	10.95%
Powell Bill	955,816	78,532	8.22%
Public Buildings	1,124,497	138,563	12.32%
Recreation	945,142	555,895	58.82%
Interfund/Hurricane	1,035,508	346,155	33.43%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>15,557,837</b>	<b>2,727,722</b>	<b>17.53%</b>
<b>Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (1,580,575)</b>	

Actual expenses include encumbrances some of which are for the entire year.

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**CITY OF HAVELOCK  
 BUDGET VERSUS ACTUAL  
 AUGUST 2022  
 WATER FUND**

**Revenues**

Source	Budget	Actual	Percentage
Water Revenue	\$ 2,866,205	\$ 451,732	15.76%
System Development Fees	-	-	0.00%
Reconnect Fees	35,000	7,722	22.06%
Interest	8,050	925	11.49%
Other	25,000	7,146	28.58%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>2,934,255</b>	<b>467,525</b>	<b>15.93%</b>

**Expenditures**

Departments	Budget	Actual	Percentage
Plant	3,146,631	1,140,348	36.24%
Distribution	682,581	145,137	21.26%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>3,829,212</b>	<b>1,285,485</b>	<b>33.57%</b>
<b>Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (817,961)</b>	

Actual expenses include encumbrances some of which are for the entire year.

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**CITY OF HAVELOCK  
 BUDGET VERSUS ACTUAL  
 AUGUST 2022  
 SEWER FUND**

**Revenues**

Source	Budget	Actual	Percentage
Sewer Revenue	\$ 4,337,750	\$ 662,775	15.28%
System Development Fees	-	-	0.00%
Reconnect Fees	25,000	5,438	21.75%
Interest	7,200	313	4.35%
Other	320,000	4,084	1.28%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>4,689,950</b>	<b>672,609</b>	<b>14.34%</b>

**Expenditures**

Departments	Budget	Actual	Percentage
Plant	2,882,518	1,135,733	39.40%
Collection	1,807,432	430,842	23.84%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>4,689,950</b>	<b>1,566,575</b>	<b>33.40%</b>

**Excess of Revenues Over  
 (Under) Expenditures**      **\$ -**      **\$ (893,966)**

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**CITY OF HAVELOCK  
 BUDGET VERSUS ACTUAL  
 AUGUST 2022  
 SOLID WASTE**

**Revenues**

Source	Budget	Actual	Percentage
Solid Waste Revenue	1,271,714	\$ 194,574	15.30%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>1,271,714</b>	<b>194,574</b>	<b>15.30%</b>

**Expenditures**

Departments	Budget	Actual	Percentage
Solid Waste	1,271,714	917,170	72.12%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>1,271,714</b>	<b>917,170</b>	<b>72.12%</b>

**Excess of Revenues Over  
 (Under) Expenditures**      **\$ -**      **\$ (722,596)**

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**CITY OF HAVELOCK  
 BUDGET VERSUS ACTUAL  
 AUGUST 2022  
 TOURIST AND EVENT CENTER**

**Revenues**

Source	Budget	Actual	Percentage
Building Rent	100,000	\$ 11,948	11.95%
ABC Sales	14,250	2,711	19.02%
Exhibit Revenue	24,750	4,901	19.80%
Transfer from General Fund	210,455	191,051	90.78%
Other	123,708	1,563	1.26%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>473,163</b>	<b>212,174</b>	<b>44.84%</b>

**Expenditures**

Departments	Budget	Actual	Percentage
Center	418,163	90,248	21.58%
Exhibits	55,000	6,241	11.35%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>473,163</b>	<b>96,490</b>	<b>20.39%</b>

<b>Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 115,684</b>	
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**Prior Year Revenue:**

Source	Budget	August 2021 Actual	Percentage
Building Rent	52,500	\$ 36,645	69.80%
ABC Sales	14,250	-	0.00%
Exhibit Revenue	24,750	670	2.71%
Transfer from General Fund	191,051	-	0.00%
Other	236,725	7,887	3.33%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>519,276</b>	<b>45,203</b>	<b>8.70%</b>

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**GOVERNING BODY APPOINTMENTS: Recreation Advisory Board**

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314 The terms of Recreation Advisory Board members Consuelo Colvin, Pam Holder, Jennifer  
 315 Taylor-Sabdo, Sharon Knapp (Township #5) and Gary Odle (Township #6) expire on  
 316 September 30, 2022. All members except for Ms. Colvin wish to be considered for  
 317 reappointment. As of this writing, the City has only received one (1) application from a City  
 318 resident interested in serving on the Recreation Advisory Board.

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320 After a vote by written ballot, Commissioner Wilson made a **motion to reappoint Pam Holder**  
 321 **(City); Jennifer Taylor-Sabdo (City); Sharon Knapp (Township #5); Gary Odle**  
 322 **(Township #6); and to appoint Madeliene Butcher (City) to the Recreation Advisory**  
 323 **Board for a term beginning October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2024.**  
 324 Commissioner Lewis seconded and the motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

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**CITY MANAGERS REPORT**

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328 The City Manager had no report, noting that nothing has changed since the September 22<sup>nd</sup>  
 329 Workshop.

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**CITY ATTORNEYS REPORT**

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333 The City Attorney had no report.

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**COMMISSIONERS REPORTS/COMMENTS**

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337 Commissioner Jim Kohr thanked all of the citizens who were present this evening and spoke to  
 338 the Board. He said the he appreciates their time. He continued on that the Chili Festival was  
 339 great this year with a wonderful turn out. He was pleased to see the City's new street sweeper  
 340 being shown off.

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342 Commissioner Kohr thanked the TEC staff for a superb job they did for the God and Country



343 banquet. Everyone who attended had great reviews of the Tourist Center and the staff.

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345 He ended by saying that the Mayor and Commissioners were going to be heading to Raleigh for  
346 the ADC Conference to represent Havelock and Cherry Point tomorrow. He asked for prayers  
347 of traveling mercies and a productive time while in Raleigh.

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349 Commissioner Lewis echoed Commissioner Kohr's comments about the Chili Festival and said  
350 that the City Manager did an outstanding job on his chili.

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352 Commissioner Wilson thanked all who came out to the Chili Festival and stated that they had  
353 over 90 vendors. She concluded by saying that she hopes to see everyone in a week at National  
354 Night Out.

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356 Commissioner Josh Kohr thanked everyone for coming out to the Chili Festival. He also  
357 encouraged everyone to attend the candidate's forum on Monday October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6 p.m. at the  
358 TEC. Also, this Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, he is hosting a meeting, called the Havelock  
359 "Roundtable on Homelessness, Addiction and Mental Illness" (RHAM) at 6 p.m. at the  
360 recreation center, in the gymnasium. He said that this will be just a conversation between the  
361 different groups and invited everyone to attend.

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363 Commissioner Walsh stated that the Chili Festival was a great time and it was nice to see it that  
364 full.

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366 **MAYOR'S REPORTS/COMMENTS**

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368 Mayor Lewis stated what he likes about events such as the Chili Festival is what it brings out  
369 in people. For instance, the Public Works crew cleaned the streets, mowed the grass and then  
370 washed all of their equipment. The Chili Festival is not a City event, but they have great pride  
371 and wanted their equipment to be clean and look it's best, because we support the event. Mayor  
372 Lewis also said it was an honor to have Sara Crocker at the Chili Festival, playing the National  
373 Anthem on her trumpet, during the opening session. He was very impressed by the size and  
374 longevity of the event, and reiterated that the crowd didn't thin out until it ended. The Mayor  
375 applauded everyone for doing a phenomenal job.

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377 Lastly, Mayor Lewis relayed that the old First Citizens Bank building on Jaycee Street officially  
378 belongs to the City now. He explained that the City has to go through the asbestos remediation  
379 process before the building can be demolished. Mayor Lewis is hopeful that the building will  
380 be gone by the Christmas Tree Lighting Jubilee.

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382 **ADJOURNMENT/RECESS**

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384 With there being no other business to discuss, Commissioner Josh Kohr made a **motion to**  
385 **adjourn**. Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

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387 The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

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389 Date approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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William L. Lewis, Jr., Mayor

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Mary C. Weigl

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396 Deputy City Clerk