

**TOWN OF COWPENS
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
5330 N. Main St.
October 23, 2023, 5:00 p.m.**

The Town of Cowpens held a special meeting on Monday, October 23, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Michael D. Hamrick, Mayor Pro-Tem Jarred S. Spencer, Council Members Pam Camp, Thomas Voelker and Erin P. Wofford. Mayor Michael D. Hamrick called the meeting to order, and Jarred S. Spencer held prayer.

The agenda for the October 23, 2023, meeting was presented to the town council. Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to approve the agenda deleting the ordinance update and the Municipal Judge Agreement, seconded by Erin P. Wofford, and carried.

The Town Council reviewed and proposed the following plans for the Cowpens Middle School Property, which the mayor plans to present to Spartanburg School District Three at their November 2023 meeting:

Two Year Plan:

- \$2.7 million (2024-2025 budget year):
 - \$400,000 demolition
 - Remaining \$2.3 million spent on finalizing two baseball fields, football field, parking above Middle School (library side)
- \$2.7 million (2025-2026 budget year):
 - \$2 million on two lower baseball fields
 - \$700,000 additional parking, walking trails.
- Get Parks and Recreation to allocate a total of \$700,000 to renovation of gym, cafeteria, offices and band rooms, of which they may allocate \$200,000 in 2024-2025, and \$500,000 in 2025-2026.

Three Year Plan:

1. \$1.8 million (2024-2025 budget year):
 - a. \$400,000 demolition (I left this out at the luncheon in error at the lunch the other day)
 - b. \$1.4 million for two baseball fields
2. \$1.8 million (2025-2026 budget year):
 - a. \$1.8 million for carryover expenses from phase one on initial upper baseball fields and football fields
 - b. Build a 3rd baseball field.
3. \$1.8 million (2026-2027 budget year)
 - a. Build a 4th baseball field, additional parking.
 - b. Any extra money for walking trails.
4. Get Parks and Recreation to allocate a total of \$700,000 to renovation of gym, cafeteria, offices, and band rooms, of which they may allocate \$200,000 in 2024-2025, and \$500,000 in 2025-2026.

Mayor Hamrick is still waiting to hear from Spartanburg County Parks and Recreation. He is also waiting on the drawings which he hopes to receive prior to the November 2023 meeting at Spartanburg School District Three.

Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to accept the title of the property contingent upon funding, seconded by Pam Camp, and carried.

Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Erin P. Wofford, and carried.

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Mayor Michael D. Hamrick

Mayor Pro-Tem Jarred S. Spencer

Council Member Pam Camp

Attest:

Council Member Thomas Voelker

Teresa Carter, Town Clerk

Council Member Erin P. Wofford