REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

Date of Meeting: December 2, 2024

10.A. NCDOT ROW Maintenance Abandonment and ROW Maintenance Acceptance

To: Mayor and Board of Commissioners

From: Rox Burhans, Planning DIrector

Action Requested:
The Town has received a ROW abandonment request for portions of the previous Barnhardt ROW alignment near Hough High School. Barnhardt Road was realigned on or around 2010 with the Bailey Forest development. The road realignment left a portion of ROW that is no longer needed. The abandonment request was submitted by Mr. Jeffrey Ramsey, who owns property abutting the ROW in question (18025 Barnhardt Road).

The ROW abandonment process (involving previous NCDOT Roads) is a two step process. Step 1 is for NCDOT to abandon its maintenance responsibilities. The resolution associated with this agenda item would formally request abandonment of said maintenance responsibility. The Town is also asking NCDOT to reserve easements for maintenance of existing stormwater and utility infrastructure.

As part of this request, NCDOT has asked that portions of the realigned Barnhardt Road that are currently Town maintained to be transferred over to NCDOT for maintenance. The intent of this transfer is to ensure a more consistent road maintenance boundary. Town staff is supportive of this transfer. Please refer to Exhibit A: Reference Map for the location of the ROW that is part of this resolution.

The NCDOT Division 10 will process this abandonment and acceptance request and forward to the full NCDOT Board of Transportation for final approval.

Once the NCDOT maintenance responsibility is abandoned, the Town may move forward with the ROW abandonment process, which does not require NCDOT participation.

Manager's Recommendation:
Approve a Resolution requesting NCDOT ROW Maintenance Abandonment and ROW Maintenance Acceptance.

ATTACHMENTS:
Resolution ROW Maintenance Abandonment Request_Barnhardt
Exhibit A: Reference Map