



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Board of Commissioners
From: Percy T. Crutchfield, Chief of Police
CC: Bryan Gruesbeck, Town Manager
Alice Lloyd, Town Clerk
Ref: Golf Cart Ordinance Update

Date: July 24, 2015

Background: During the May 11, 2015 board meeting the town was asked to consider implementing and ordinance that would allow golf carts to be operated on the Towns Streets. This request was submitted by Casey Mann pursuant to a provision in the North Carolina General Statutes that allows towns to permit golf carts to be operated on municipal streets. The town was also provided with a sample/draft ordinance for consideration by Ms. Mann. The Board requested that I and the Manager consider this matter and bring it back to the board sometime around August.

Update: We are working on the matter and should have a completed proposal by next month. I have received some information from the Legal Department at the League of Municipalities. I have also obtained ordinances and application processes from other towns and municipalities in North Carolina that allow golf carts to be operated on their streets. I have talked to representatives from other jurisdictions to see what recommendations they have. I have also been contacted by citizens and businesses in town since this matter has been introduced and received input from them. I have also obtained information on the current NC statutes regarding Low Speed vehicles being operated on state highways.

Action requested: None at this time. We will have a completed report next month and any recommended ordinance will be submitted to Mr. Messick for his input and recommendations prior to the Board Meeting.