

Town of Mint Hill

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The Town

- ❖ Municipality = city, town, village
- ❖ In Mecklenburg County
 - One city - Charlotte
 - Six towns - Cornelius, Davidson, Huntersville, Matthews, Mint Hill and Pineville
- ❖ No legal difference between a city, town or village – is preference of the residents

- ❖ Residents and businesses settle in 1700s
- ❖ Town incorporates in 1971
- ❖ Population
 - 3,000 citizens in 1971
 - 22,000 citizens today
- ❖ Area
 - 25 square miles

❖ Town Council

- Mayor and Town Board of Commissioners
- Nonpartisan election every 2 years

❖ Council-Manager Government

- Elected Town Council sets policies
- Professional Town Manager administers policies and manages town government

❖ Codes and Ordinances (local laws/rules)

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Town services

❖ Planning

- Zoning, planning and land use

❖ Public Works

- Sidewalks, streets, garbage, recycling, stormwater

❖ Parks & Recreation

- Parks, athletics, arts programs, festivals

❖ Public Safety

- Police, Animal Control
- EMS/Fire

❖ Town Government

- Operations, Finance

Budget

❖ FY2014 = \$10,492,662

❖ Sources of funds= Taxes, fees, other

- Property tax=27 cents/\$100 of property

❖ Where each dollar goes*

- 31 cents – Police and public safety
- 18 cents – Solid waste
- 17 cents – Fire and rescue
- 8 cents – Streets and transportation
- 7 cents – Debt service (including water and sewer)
- 7 cents – Other
- 6 cents – General government and Governing Board
- 3 cents – Planning
- 3 cents – Parks and Recreation

Powell Bill = funds from NC to be used for town streets, sidewalks, bike lanes

Source: Mecklenburg County FY13-14 Tax Brochure

Who runs the town?

The Mayor and Town Board



Elected, nonpartisan

- Mayor and Town Board
- Establishes priorities on community needs, sets policy, establishes the budget, levies taxes, creates ordinances

Town Manager

Brian Welch

and

- **Hired** by Town Council
- Responsible for daily operations of the town

Town Council Meetings

- ❖ Town Council Meetings
 - 2nd and 4th Thursday each month
 - 7PM at Town Hall
 - Who can attend? Anyone
- ❖ Website: www.minthill.com
- ❖ Follow town government meeting agendas, minutes and news
 - <http://www.minthill.com/index.aspx?nid=54>