

**Stoneville Town Council**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**April 4, 2023**  
**7:00 PM - Council Chambers**

**Closed Session §143-318.11 (4) & (6):** Present were Mayor Kathy Stanley-Galvan, Councilmen Henry Thornton, Chuck Hundley, Jerry Smith, Johnny Farmer, and Curtis Bennett. Also present were Interim Town Manager Perry Webster, and Town Attorney Eugene Russell.

Councilman Thornton made the motion to enter into closed session. Councilman Hundley seconded. Motion carried.

Motion to come out of closed session made by Councilman Thornton. Councilman Farmer seconded. Motion carried.

**Regular Meeting:**

Present were Mayor Kathy Stanley-Galvan, Councilmen Jerry Smith, Henry Thornton, Chuck Hundley, Johnny Farmer, and Curtis Bennett. Also present were Interim Town Manager Perry Webster, Town Clerk Deleia Hutcherson, Finance/HR Officer Shannon Tucker, Fire Chief Joel Freeman, Police Chief Frank Moore, Parks and Recreation Director Dillon Brown, and Town Attorney Eugene Russell.

**Welcome:** Mayor Galvan welcomed the assembly and called the meeting to order after the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

Mayor Galvan stated that during the closed session, personnel and economic development items were discussed.

**Minutes:** Mayor Galvan asked for a motion to approve the Minutes from the March 7th meeting. Councilman Thornton made the motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Farmer seconded. Motion carried.

**Agenda:** Mayor Galvan asked for a motion to approve the April 4th Agenda. Councilman Hundley made the motion to add item 8 under new business – Public Hearing to expand ETJ and approve agenda submitted. Councilman Farmer seconded. Motion carried.

**New Business:**

1. **Presentation of service plaque for Jackie Blackard** – Councilman Bennett spoke and presented Jackie Blackard with his plaque and thanked him for his service as the prior Parks and Recreation Director.
2. **Western Rockingham Salvation Army** – Major Curtis Kratz spoke on behalf of the Western Rockingham Salvation Army and services offered in this area of the county.
3. **Request to use Stoneville Memorial Park** – Councilman Farmer made the motion for two additional teams to practice at the Stoneville Memorial Park Ball Field based on a schedule set by the Parks and Recreation Director. Councilman Smith seconded. Motion carried.
4. **Consideration for Downtown May Day Festival** – Councilman Hundley made the motion to approve a Downtown May Day Festival on May 20, 2023, from 10:00am-9:00pm. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.

- 5 **Resolution approving the 2023 Water Shortage Response Plan** – Councilman Farmer made the motion to approve the 2023 Water Shortage Response Plan Resolution as submitted. Councilman Hundley seconded. Motion carried.
- 6 **Consideration to support DOE’s Renew America’s Schools Grant** – A letter of support was requested to help Stoneville Elementary obtain funds for energy improvements and electric vehicle charging stations. Councilman Farmer made a motion approving a letter of support for the DOE Renew America’s Schools Grant for Stoneville Elementary. Councilman Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- 7 **Budget Amendments for OSBM PD and ADMIN Grant** – Shannon Tucker presented two budget amendments for the OSBM grants received for PD and ADMIN. Councilman Farmer made the motion to approve the budget amendments. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.
- 8 **Public Hearing to expand ETJ** – As stated above, in agenda section, a motion was made to amend the agenda and add this item. Councilman Farmer explained State Law allows the ETJ to extend one mile outside the town limits and Stoneville has not pursued this opportunity. Councilman Farmer made the motion to call for a Public Hearing to expand the ETJ at the May Council Meeting. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

1. **Present price quotes for consideration to survey cemetery property and construct a driveway** – Councilman Farmer made the motion to move forward with the survey and when received, they can award bid for construction of driveway. Councilman Hundley seconded. Motion carried.
2. **Provide further detail on using PEGG Grant to promote town and businesses** – Quotes were requested by Town Mgr Webster but not received yet. Councilman Hundley made the motion to table this item until May pending quotes. Councilman Smith seconded. Motion carried.
3. **Present price quotes for consideration of pressure tank project on N. Glenn, Kellam, Dalton Street, and Highland Avenue** – Possible Grant pending and should know something in 30-60 days on status of grant. Councilman Smith made the motion to table old business Item 3 until we get an update on the Grant. Councilman Farmer seconded. Motion carried.

**Public Comments:** None**Departmental Reports:**

1. **Fire** – Chief Freeman provided update on McMichael Grant and using the funds to purchase extrication equipment to save time and manpower on calls. These would be battery operated and he is in the process of obtaining three quotes.
2. **Police** – Chief Moore provided updates on calls and renovations for Police Dept. He also advised they are still trying to hire officers.
3. **Parks and Recreation** – Director Dillon Brown provided updates. He is working on getting sports programs going again. T-Ball registration will start this month. He is also focused on improvements to Stoneville Memorial Park and obtaining quotes for playground mulch. Basketball goals and nets have been replaced.
4. **Public Works** – Town Manager Webster provided update. They are still battling numerous sewer issues due to aged lines. Toilets and sinks were replaced at Stoneville Memorial Park and they will be busier than normal this month due to the upcoming free clean-up week.

**Town Manager Report:**

1. **Public Works Building** – Waiting on grading plan from Bill Lester and quotes from General Contractors.
2. **Renovation of restrooms at Stoneville Memorial Park** – Toilets and sinks were replaced along with installing hand dryers. Petitions are being priced to update stalls.
3. **Events for April were announced.**

Motion to adjourn made by Councilman Smith. Seconded by Councilman Thornton. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 7:50pm

  
Mayor, Kathy Stanley-Galvan

  
Town Clerk, Deleia Hutcherson

