Stoneville Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes October 1, 2024 7:00 PM – Council Chambers

Regular Meeting

Present were Mayor Kathy Stanley-Galvan, Council members Johnny Farmer, Curt Bennett, Henry Thornton, Lee Shelton, and Daisy Smith. Also present were Town Administrator Barbara Hollerand, Finance Officer Shannon Tucker, Town Clerk Deleia Hutcherson, Fire Chief Joel Freeman, Public Works Director Byron Curry, and Town Attorney Eugene Russell.

Welcome: Mayor Galvan welcomed the assembly and called the meeting to order after the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation at 7:00pm. She announced that the Council met at 6:00pm for a Closed Session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a) (3) to Consult with the Town Attorney.

Minutes: Mayor Galvan asked for a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from September 10, 2024, and special meeting minutes from September 26, 2024. Councilman Shelton made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.

Agenda: Mayor Galvan asked for a motion to approve the October 1, 2024, agenda. Councilman Shelton made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilwoman Smith seconded. Motion carried.

New Business:

Stoneville Christmas decorating and events — The Grinch made an appearance and then turned the floor over to Jodi Lester to speak on Christmas decorating and events coming up in the Town of Stoneville. Ms. Lester shared all the events planned for Stoneville's Hometown Christmas 2024 and encouraged everyone to get involved and be part of something wonderful in our community. She also asked everyone to share the events and invite people to come out and experience the joy of Christmas in our hometown.

Consideration of quotes for a roof repair or replacement at the former Fidelity bank building (103 S. Henry Street) - Town Administrator, Barbara Hollerand presented quotes to replace or repair the roof at the former Fidelity bank building. The Council discussed and a motion was made by Councilman Thornton to move forward with the quote from Big Dog Roofing and replace the roof at a cost of \$17,400. Councilwoman Smith seconded. Councilman Bennett opposed and stated he was in favor of a roof repair versus a replacement. Motion carried by a majority vote of 4/1. Council members Smith, Thornton, Shelton, and Farmer voted yes and Council member Bennett voted no.

Consideration of a continuing service contract with B/Mac Electric, Inc. - Town Administrator, Barbara Hollerand requested approval to enter into a Continuing Service Contract with B/Mac Electric for miscellaneous Town projects and repairs. She explained the challenges in securing three quotes for electrical services due to the limited number of companies providing bids in the area and this would allow the town to move forward with electrical projects in a timelier manner under the state micropurchase threshold of \$10,000. She stated if other firms were identified that could provide competitive electrical services, staff would bring contracts for those companies to the Council for consideration. There was back and forth discussion between the Council and they decided to keep the process as is and not move forward with a continuing service contract.

Old Business: None

Public Comments: The following signed up for public comments:

Mary Martin of 702 W Adolph St, Madison, NC - Ms. Martin spoke on different events in the area. She also announced that Mayor Galvan and Councilwoman Smith will be recognized for their accomplishments and service to the town at Debbie's event center on December 14th at 5:00 p.m.

Vanessa Redd of 2531 Kingsgate Drive, Winston-Salem, NC – Ms. Redd spoke about the property at 101 Taylor St. Councilman Farmer requested the Town Administrator and Public Works Director look into the situation.

Tammy Evans of 103 Glendale St, Stoneville, NC – Ms. Evans topics were the Fall Festival and Fire Dept.

Town Administrator Report – Town Administrator, Barbara Hollerand introduced our new Police Chief, Rebecca Dixon. Chief Dixon spoke and invited everyone to her swearing-in ceremony.

Ms. Hollerand stated she and the Mayor met with NC Representative, Reece Pyrtle and shared some of the priorities the town has identified in case there are any state funds available for our area. She also mentioned the town received the state grant funds into the bank account and would be having conversations with Capital Management Trust on options for gaining interest until the funds are ready to use on designated water and sewer infrastructure projects.

Ms. Hollerand mentioned to the Council that she would be scheduling an upcoming work session to discuss items such as the open Parks and Rec. position and code enforcement. She stated no action is taken at these work sessions but it allows open discussion on topics that may need to be on an upcoming agenda and the sessions are open to the public.

Mayor Galvan stated there was one more item to be addressed. She said after consulting with the Town Attorney, a vote needed to be taken on this item in open session. She stated on Friday, September 27th, Perry Webster was advised his services are no longer needed. She said the Council appreciates everything Mr. Webster has done for the town. Councilman Thornton made a motion to approve the action of letting Mr. Webster go as his services are no longer needed. Councilman Farmer seconded. Motion carried.

Upcoming October events were announced along with the next Council Meeting scheduled for November 5, 2024, at 7:00pm.

Mayor Galvan thanked everyone for coming out to the meeting

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Councilman Thornton. Councilman Bennett seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Mayor, Kathy Stanley Galvan

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Town Clerk, Deleia Hutcherson