

**AGENDA**  
**STONEVILLE TOWN COUNCIL**  
**5:00 PM \*Closed Session §143-318.11(a)**  
**(3) To Consult with Town Attorney, and (6) Personnel**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**February 3, 2026 – 6:00 PM**  
**Council Chambers at 101 Smith St.**

**CALL TO ORDER – MAYOR GALVAN**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & INVOCATION**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 3, 2026 AGENDA**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Regular Meeting – January 6, 2026

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Western Rockingham Chamber of Commerce (WRCC) Non-profit update – Ms. Mavis Dillon, Executive Director
2. Consideration of Resolution R-2026-01 to Adopt the Northern Piedmont Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan
3. Consideration to purchase administrative laptops and software for remote access
4. Petition for Voluntary Annexation of Parcel 185849/Tax Pin 793919603137
  - a) Adopt Resolution R-2026-02 Directing the Town Clerk to Investigate Petition
  - b) Accept the Certificate of Sufficiency
  - c) Adopt Resolution R-2026-03 Fixing Date of Public Hearing on Annexation
5. Consideration to amend the Personnel Policy – Section 32.058 Safety

**OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

**NEXT COUNCIL MEETING – THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2026, AT 6:00PM**

**CLOSING REMARKS BY MAYOR GALVAN**

**ADJOURNMENT**

CLOSED SESSION  
NCGS 143-318.11

**(a) Permitted Purposes.** – It is the policy of this State that closed sessions shall be held only when required to permit a public body to act in the public interest as permitted in this section. A public body may hold a closed session and exclude the public only when a closed session is required:

**(1)** To prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to the law of this State or of the United States, or not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes.

**(2)** To prevent the premature disclosure of an honorary degree, scholarship, prize, or similar award.

**(3)** To consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the public body, which privilege is hereby acknowledged. General policy matters may not be discussed in a closed session and nothing herein shall be construed to permit a public body to close a meeting that otherwise would be open merely because an attorney employed or retained by the public body is a participant. The public body may consider and give instructions to an attorney concerning the handling or settlement of a claim, judicial action, mediation, arbitration, or administrative procedure. If the public body has approved or considered a settlement, other than a malpractice settlement by or on behalf of a hospital, in closed session, the terms of that settlement shall be reported to the public body and entered into its minutes as soon as possible within a reasonable time after the settlement is concluded.

**(4)** To discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by the public body, including agreement on a tentative list of economic development incentives that may be offered by the public body in negotiations, or to discuss matters relating to military installation closure or realignment. Any action approving the signing of an economic development contract or commitment, or the action authorizing the payment of economic development expenditures, shall be taken in an open session.

**(5)** To establish, or to instruct the public body's staff or negotiating agents concerning the position to be taken by or on behalf of the public body in negotiating (i) the price and other material terms of a contract or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchase, option, exchange, or lease; or (ii) the amount of compensation and other material terms of an employment contract or proposed employment contract.

**(6)** To consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee; or to hear or investigate a complaint, charge, or grievance by or against an individual public officer or employee. General personnel policy issues may not be considered in a closed session. A public body may not consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, appointment, or removal of a member of the public body or another body and may not consider or fill a vacancy among its own membership except in an open meeting. Final action making an appointment or discharge or removal by a public body having final authority for the appointment or discharge or removal shall be taken in an open meeting.

**(7)** To plan, conduct, or hear reports concerning investigations of alleged criminal misconduct.

**(8)** To formulate plans by a local board of education relating to emergency response to incidents of school violence or to formulate and adopt the school safety components of school improvement plans by a local board of education or a school improvement team.

**(9)** To discuss and take action regarding plans to protect public safety as it relates to existing or potential terrorist activity and to receive briefings by staff members, legal counsel, or law enforcement or emergency service officials concerning actions taken or to be taken to respond to such activity.

**(10)** To view a recording released pursuant to G.S. 132-1.4A. (b) Repealed by Session Laws 1991, c. 694, s. 4. (c) Calling a Closed Session. – A public body may hold a closed session only upon a motion duly made and adopted at an open meeting. Every motion to close a meeting shall cite one or more of the permissible purposes listed in subsection (a) of this section. A motion based on subdivision (a)(1) of this section shall also state the name or citation of the law that renders the information to be discussed privileged or confidential. A motion based on subdivision (a)(3) of this section shall identify the parties in each existing lawsuit concerning which the public body expects to receive advice during the closed session.

(d) Repealed by Session Laws 1993 (Reg. Sess., 1994), c. 570, s. 2. (1979, c. 655, s. 1; 1981, c. 831; 1985 (Reg. Sess., 1986), c. 932, s. 5; 1991, c. 694, ss. 3, 4; 1993 (Reg. Sess., 1994), c. 570, s. 2; 1995, c. 509, s. 84; 1997-222, s. 2; 1997-290, s. 2; 2001-500, s. 2; 2003-180, s. 2; 2013-360, s. 8.41(b); 2014-79, s. 9(a); 2016-88, s. 3.)

**Stoneville Town Council**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**January 6, 2026**  
**6:00 PM – Council Chambers**

**Regular & Organizational Meeting**

Present were Mayor Kathy Stanley-Galvan, Council members Jessica Smith, Curt Bennett, Lee Shelton, Henry Thornton and Daisy Smith. Also present were Town Administrator Michael Sands, Town Clerk Deleia Hutcherson, Fire Chief Joel Freeman, Public Works Director Byron Curry and Town Attorney Eugene Russell.

**Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Invocation:** Mayor Galvan welcomed the assembly and called the meeting to order after the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation at 6:00 p.m.

**Agenda:** Councilwoman Daisy Smith made a motion to approve the January 6, 2026 agenda. Seconded by Councilman Thornton. Motion carried unanimously.

**Minutes:** Councilman Shelton made a motion to approve the December 2, 2025 regular and organizational meeting minutes. Seconded by Councilwoman Jessica Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

**Legislative Update:** Senator Phil Berger addressed the Council and provided a legislative update. He reaffirmed his office's willingness to assist the Town of Stoneville and its residents with state-level matters. Senator Berger discussed North Carolina's sustained economic growth and emphasized recent progress in Rockingham County and the Piedmont Triad, particularly as it relates to infrastructure improvements.

Senator Berger also discussed transportation issues, focusing on long-planned upgrades to US-220. He explained that the project had stalled due to the high cost of completing it as a single large project. To address this, the Department of Transportation is conducting an engineering study funded by a \$2 million allocation. The project will be divided into smaller segments that may be more feasible to fund and construct. He cited similar progress made on US-29. Council members were encouraged to contact his office regarding legislative needs, particularly local bills, ahead of short-session deadlines expected in late spring.

During the question-and-answer portion, Council members raised concerns regarding significant delays and long wait times at the Department of Motor Vehicles. Senator Berger acknowledged these challenges, attributing them to staffing shortages, leadership issues, and increased workload related to Real ID requirements. He noted that additional staffing, audits, and new leadership are in place but cautioned that improvements will take time.

**Public Comments:** Ms. Melody Holley of 112 White Pine Drive, Stoneville, NC spoke on Sunshine and Rainbows, a local community initiative designed to connect residents with resources and support services. Ms. Hawley reported on the recent "Coats and Kindness" drive, which resulted in the collection of approximately 40 coats, additional winter clothing items, and

several food baskets. She stated that distribution is ongoing in coordination with Stoneville Elementary School and Social Services. Ms. Holley also announced plans for a "Bridge to Better Expo" scheduled for May 30, 2026, aimed at bringing together nonprofits, schools, health providers, and community organizations to provide centralized access to resources.

Council members asked clarifying questions regarding nonprofit status, donation handling, and outreach methods. Ms. Holley explained that she is in the process of establishing nonprofit status and developing a website and intake forms.

**Old Business: None**

**New Business:**

**Consideration of Ordinance 0-2026-01 to Remove or Demolish Structure at 104 W. Matthews St.** - State Code Enforcement Officer Eric Clem presented Ordinance 0-2026-01 authorizing the removal and demolition of a structure located at 104 West Matthew Street. He explained that the property owners had been notified of violations, attended a prior hearing, and were given 90 days to repair or demolish the structure but failed to comply. Attempts to use the structure for fire training were unsuccessful due to safety concerns and the likelihood of asbestos. The owners were properly notified of the meeting but did not appear. Following discussion, Councilman Shelton made a motion to approve Ordinance O-2026-01 for the demolition and removal of the structure at 104 West Matthews Street. Seconded by Councilwoman Daisy Smith. Motion carried unanimously. Copy incorporated into minutes.

**Update on Nuisance Violation at 300 Lee Street** - Mr. Clem reported on the condition of this property and the steps taken in accordance with the town nuisance ordinance. He has obtained a quote of \$850.00 from a local contractor to clean up the property. Councilman Thornton made a motion to authorize the cleanup of the property located at 300 Lee Street at the cost of \$850.00. Councilwoman Daisy Smith seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Copy incorporated into minutes.

**Active Housing and Non-Residential Cases** - Mr. Clem reviewed ongoing code enforcement cases and explained the prioritization process based on hazard level, visibility, and complaints. Council discussed budget constraints and agreed that cases should be addressed on a case-by-case basis, beginning with the highest priority properties. Clarification was provided regarding an address correction on Gerry Street. Mr. Clem also recommended consideration of daily civil penalties for a high-value property on South Glenn Street that does not meet demolition thresholds. Staff will continue to prioritize cases and bring recommendations and cost estimates to the Council before proceeding.

**Consideration of quotes for front winch and mount on fire truck** - The Council considered three quotes for the purchase and installation of a front bumper mount on the fire truck. Fire

Chief Joel Freeman recommended a vendor that had prior experience and was familiar with the truck despite a higher cost. Following discussion, Councilman Bennett made a motion to approve the quote from Anchor-Richey EVS in the amount of \$4,750.00 as presented by staff. Seconded by Councilman Thornton. Motion carried unanimously. Copy incorporated into minutes.

**Consideration to appoint Mr. Joe Rose as an alternate member of the Planning Board/Board of Adjustment** – Councilwoman Jessica Smith inquired about public awareness of board vacancies. Staff explained that vacancies are posted on the Town website and announced at Planning Board/Board of Adjustment meetings but acknowledged opportunities for improved visibility. Councilwoman Jessica Smith made a motion to approve the appointment of Joe Rose as an alternate member of the Planning Board/Board of Adjustment. Seconded by Councilwoman Daisy Smith. Motion carried unanimously. Copy incorporated into minutes.

**Town Administrator Report:** Town Administrator Michael Sands provided updates including a review of the budget-to-actual report, noting ongoing adjustments related to new financial software. Council was informed that the annual audit was completed and submitted for state review. Additional updates included concerns from citizens regarding traffic signal timing at Main Street and Stone Street, and a request for evaluation of a downtown crosswalk near Debbie's Restaurant. It was also noted that senior bingo activities will be suspended in January and February and resume in March. Updates were provided on the post office building renovation and the near completion of the credit union project. The Council asked staff to coordinate with NCDOT regarding traffic signal timing and crosswalk evaluation. A towing contract was discussed to address nuisance related junk vehicles and a proposed contract will be presented at a future meeting.

Mayor Galvan announced the next regular meeting scheduled for February 3, 2026.

Motion to adjourn made by Councilman Thornton. Seconded by Councilwoman Daisy Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

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Mayor, Kathy Stanley-Galvan

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Town Clerk, Deleia Hutcherson