

**Stoneville Town Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
February 3, 2026  
4:30 PM – Council Chambers**

**Regular Meeting**

Present were Mayor Kathy Stanley-Galvan, Council members Jessica Smith, Curt Bennett, Henry Thornton and Daisy Smith. Councilman Lee Shelton participated remotely. Also present were Town Administrator Michael Sands, Finance Officer Mary Ann Greer, Town Clerk Deleia Hutcherson, Public Works Director Byron Curry, Police Chief Rebecca Dixon, 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 4:30 p.m. She announced the Council met at 3:30 p.m. for Closed Session pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a) (3) to Consult with the Town Attorney, and (6) Personnel.

**Agenda:** Councilman Bennett made a motion to approve the February 3, 2026 agenda. Seconded by Councilwoman Jessica Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

**Minutes:** Councilman Thornton made a motion to approve the January 6, 2026 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Councilwoman Daisy Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comments:** None

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

**Western Rockingham Chamber of Commerce (WRCC) Non-profit update** – Ms. Mavis Dillon of the Western Rockingham Chamber of Commerce presented information regarding the formation of the Western Rockingham Alliance, a proposed 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization to operate under the umbrella of the Chamber of Commerce. The nonprofit structure will allow the organization to pursue grant funding not available to the Chamber's 501(c)(6) designation. The organization plans to focus on community engagement activities tied to the 250th anniversary of the United States, including school involvement, patriotic themes, business recognitions, decoration contests, and potential fireworks events. Seed funding efforts are underway, including proposed contributions from local financial institutions. Grant opportunities through Duke Energy, State Employees Credit Union, the Department of Commerce, and other entities are being explored. Ms. Dillon also announced the ROCO Home Chili Cook-Off scheduled for March 14<sup>th</sup> in Madison and the Chamber's annual dinner on April 16<sup>th</sup> at White Oak Terrace. She informed everyone that the Chili Cook-Off will rotate annually among communities and Stoneville is looking to host the event in 2027.

**Consideration of Resolution R-2026-01 to Adopt the Northern Piedmont Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan** - The Council considered adoption of the updated 2025 Northern Piedmont Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan. This plan replaces the 2020 plan that expired during Fiscal Year 2025. Adoption of the updated plan ensures eligibility for state and federal emergency funding. Councilwoman Daisy Smith made a motion to adopt Resolution R-2026-01. Seconded by Councilman Thornton. Motion carried unanimously, with Councilman Shelton participating remotely and voting in favor. Copy incorporated into minutes.

**Consideration to purchase administrative laptops and software for remote access** - The Council discussed the purchase of two new administrative laptops, external monitors, and Splashtop remote access software to allow secure access to office desktops when working remotely. This will also allow staff to access information during offsite meetings and training classes. The total project cost will not exceed \$5,500. Discussion included security protections, equipment replacement due to outdated devices, and leasing versus purchasing options. Councilman Bennett made a motion to approve the purchase of administrative laptops, monitors, and remote access software as presented by staff. Seconded by Councilwoman Daisy Smith. Motion carried unanimously, with Councilman Shelton participating remotely and voting in favor. Copy incorporated into minutes.

**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** - The Council reviewed a voluntary annexation request for Parcel 185849/Tax PIN 793919603137, recently rezoned for residential use. The property's current tax value is \$188,000, generating approximately \$1,300 in annual tax revenue, with potential for increased revenue if developed. Discussion included municipal service obligations and fire district considerations as the property is currently assigned to the Shiloh Fire District. Councilman Thornton made a motion to proceed with the annexation process, including adoption of Resolution R-2026-02 directing the investigation, accepting the certification of sufficiency, and adoption of Resolution R-2026-03 setting a public hearing date. Seconded by Councilwoman Daisy Smith. Motion carried unanimously, with Councilman Shelton participating remotely and voting in favor. Copy incorporated into minutes.

**Consideration to amend the Personnel Policy – Section 32.058 Safety** – The Council considered an amendment to the personnel policy to formalize procedures related to bloodborne pathogens, including exposure control measures, access to protective equipment, and offering Hepatitis B vaccinations to applicable employees in fire, police, and public works departments. Councilwoman Jessica Smith made a motion to approve the amendment to the Personnel Policy Section 32.058 Safety. Seconded by Councilman Bennett. Motion carried unanimously, with Councilman Shelton participating remotely and voting in favor. Copy incorporated into minutes.

**Town Administrator Report:** Town Administrator Michael Sands provided a status update regarding Acclaim Federal Credit Union. He noted that the final inspection is currently pending due to minor corrections, which are expected to be completed within the next few days. The anticipated soft opening date is February 17, 2026. Mr. Sands also expressed his appreciation to the Public Works and emergency services personnel for their hard work and support during the winter weather over the past two weeks.

Mayor Galvan announced the next regular meeting scheduled for March 5, 2026.

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

The meeting adjourned at 5:09 p.m.

  
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Mayor, Kathy Stanley-Galvan

  
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Town Clerk, Deleia Hutcherson

