

AGENDA
STONEVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
5:00 PM *Closed Session §143-318.11(a)
(3) To Consult with Town Attorney, and (5) Contract Negotiations
Regular Meeting
September 1, 2026 – 6:00 PM
Council Chambers at 101 Smith St.

CALL TO ORDER – MAYOR GALVAN

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & INVOCATION

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2026 AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Regular Meeting – August 4, 2026

PROCLAMATIONS

1. Constitution Week (Janice Tate - James Hunter Chapter, NSDAR) – Mayor Galvan

INTRODUCTIONS

1. Mrs. Christy Albertson, Principal at Stoneville Elementary School
2. Mr. Harold Dunn, SRO Officer at Stoneville Elementary School

RECOGNITIONS

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration of Resolution R-2026-07: Award of Construction Contract for the US 220 & NC 770 Water Main Extension Project
2. Consideration of Ordinance O-2026-13 Declaring a Temporary Road Closure for Christmas Parade
3. Consideration of Budget Amendment 090126 – Fire Department State Grant OSFM

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Labor Day Holiday - Town Hall Closed Monday, September 7th
- Senior Bingo – Thursday, September 10th from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- Rotary Fall Festival – Saturday, September 26th from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- Next Council Meeting – Tuesday, October 6th at 6:00 p.m.

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
August 4, 2026
6:00 PM – Council Chambers**

Regular Meeting

Members Present: Mayor Kathy Stanley-Galvan and Council members Curt Bennett, Henry Thornton, Daisy Smith, and Lee Shelton. Absent: Jessica Smith (excused). Staff Present: Town Administrator Michael Sands, Town Clerk Deleia Hutcherson, Finance Officer Mary Ann Greer, Police Chief Rebecca Dixon, 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: Councilman Thornton made a motion to approve the August 4, 2026 agenda. Seconded by Councilwoman Daisy Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes: Councilman Thornton made a motion to approve the June 2, 2026 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Councilwoman Daisy Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

Recognitions:

Life-Saving Award – Chief Rebecca Dixon recognized Officer Gary Burnette for his life-saving actions following an ATV accident on Price Grange Road on May 25, 2026. Officer Burnette responded within approximately two minutes, located the injured child in the woods, provided emergency assistance, stabilized the child until fire and EMS personnel arrived, and assisted with the child's removal from the woods. In recognition of his prompt response, professionalism, and service to the community, Officer Burnette was presented with a Life-Saving Award.

Good Samaritan Award – Mayor Galvan presented a Good Samaritan Award to Mrs. Laura Williams in recognition of her immediate and compassionate assistance during a medical emergency involving a fellow citizen on June 16, 2026. She commended her courage, selflessness, and commitment to helping a neighbor in need.

Old Business:

Presentation of Rockingham County Comprehensive Transportation Plan with Town of Stoneville Revisions - Emily Stupka, NCDOT Transportation Engineer, presented the updated Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) recommendations applicable to Stoneville. She explained that the CTP is a long-range, multimodal, needs-based plan intended to identify transportation needs over approximately 25–30 years and assist in prioritizing future transportation projects and funding.

Ms. Stupka reviewed revisions resulting from Stoneville's June 16, 2026 public engagement. Based on public feedback, the proposed Church Street/Stone Mountain Road highway modernization project was removed. The CTP continues to recommend expansion of SCAT service, with public feedback generally supporting improved transportation to medical services,

grocery stores, and surrounding communities. Bicycle and pedestrian recommendations were also revised: the proposed Church Street bicycle lane and Henry Street improvements were removed due to public feedback and right-of-way limitations, while improvements along West Main Street and Priddy Road were added to improve connectivity to Stoneville Memorial Park. A safety recommendation remains for the NC 135/Stone Mountain Road intersection.

Council also discussed deteriorated roadways and pavement concerns, including Bryan Street. NCDOT staff agreed to forward the Bryant Street concern to the appropriate NCDOT division for further review.

Consideration to Adopt Resolution R-2026-06 Adopting the Rockingham County Comprehensive Transportation Plan for the Town of Stoneville with Revisions - Councilman Thornton made a motion to adopt the Rockingham County Comprehensive Transportation Plan as presented, including the revisions discussed. Seconded by Councilman Shelton. Motion carried unanimously. Copy incorporated into minutes.

Public Hearings

Public Hearing and Consideration of Demolition Ordinance O-2026-06 – Consideration of adopting a demolition ordinance for the residential structure located at 300 S. Glenn Street (Parcel No. 170275) pursuant to Minimum Housing Standards. Councilman Shelton made a motion to open the Public Hearing. Seconded by Councilman Thornton. Motion carried. Ms. Kelly Howell of State Code Enforcement reported that the property owner had completed substantial repairs, including work on the porch, roof, and windows, and had responded to Town notices. The property no longer met the 51 percent deterioration threshold for demolition. She recommended issuing another notice identifying the remaining violations and allowing additional time for repairs.

A neighboring resident, Mr. Hugh Belton of 103 Randolph Street, signed up for public comments. He raised concerns regarding unlicensed vehicles, accumulated materials, overgrown grass, the general condition of the property, and potential fire hazards. Council directed that these concerns be addressed in the follow-up notice.

There being no further public comments, Councilman Thornton made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Seconded by Councilman Shelton. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Thornton made a motion to proceed with the Code Enforcement recommendation by issuing an additional notice identifying the remaining violations and concerns raised during the hearing. Seconded by Councilwoman Daisy Smith. Motion carried unanimously. Staff will continue to monitor the property and determine whether further enforcement is necessary.

Public Hearing and Consideration of Demolition Ordinance O-2026-10 – Consideration of adopting a demolition ordinance for the non-residential structure located at 108 N. Henry Street (Parcel No. 184762) pursuant to Unsafe Building Provisions. Councilwoman Daisy Smith made a motion to open the Public Hearing. Seconded by Councilman Thornton. Motion carried. Ms. Kelly Howell of State Code Enforcement reported that the case had been open since November 2025, with no meaningful improvements made. The property has deteriorated

areas, boarded or broken windows, and missing brick. Previous notices had been provided to the owner, and a compliance date of June 17, 2026 had passed without compliance.

Staff explained that adoption of a demolition/repair ordinance would not require immediate demolition and could provide for a repair plan, timeline, fines, periodic updates, and other enforcement measures.

The property owner was not present and no one signed up for public comments. Councilman Thornton made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Seconded by Councilwoman Daisy Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

The Council discussed approval of the ordinance and the appropriate next steps regarding the property. Following discussion, Councilman Thornton made a motion to approve Ordinance O-2026-10 and send a formal letter to the property owner notifying them of the ordinance and providing thirty (30) days to respond and/or address the matter. Councilwoman Daisy Smith seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

After the thirty-day period, Council will review any response received and consider the appropriate next steps, including further enforcement of the ordinance. Copy incorporated into minutes.

Public Hearing and Consideration of Demolition Ordinance O-2026-11 – Consideration of adopting a demolition ordinance for the non-residential structure located at 116 N. Henry Street (Parcel No. 126837) pursuant to Unsafe Building Provisions. Councilman Thornton made a motion to open the Public Hearing. Seconded by Councilman Shelton. Motion carried. Ms. Kelly Howell of State Code Enforcement reported exterior violations, including deteriorated brick, boarded windows, rotten window frames, flaking paint, and a deteriorated door frame. She stated that the June 17, 2026, compliance deadline had passed without the property being brought into compliance.

Curtis Jones Bennett III was present and signed up for public comments. Mr. Bennett stated that repairs had been made to the buildings, including replacement windows, door repairs, and removal of an awning. Mr. Bennett also raised concerns that the structure being addressed by Code Enforcement may not have been correctly identified as 116 North Henry Street. Mr. Bennett stated that he had no objection to correcting or addressing any violations associated with the property; however, he emphasized the importance of ensuring that everyone is in agreement regarding the issues and that the violations have been properly identified and documented.

Discussion focused on the identification and legal status of a separate structure located behind the primary building that reportedly lacked a separate address or tax identification. Council and staff agreed that the property and applicable violations should be clarified before further enforcement action.

With no further public comments, Councilman Thornton made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Seconded by Councilwoman Daisy Smith. Motion carried.

Councilman Thornton made a motion to continue the matter for 30 days to clarify the building identification/address and obtain additional information. Seconded by Councilman Shelton. Motion carried unanimously.

Code Enforcement, in coordination with the tax office and planning staff, will verify the structure's identification, address, and property records; work with Mr. Bennett to clarify the applicable violations; and return the matter to Council following the 30-day continuation period.

Public Comments: None

New Business:

Second Reading and Final Adoption of Ordinance O-2026-09 Amending the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance to Specify Criminal Penalties Pursuant to N.C.G.S. §160A-175 - Staff explained that an ordinance containing criminal penalties required a second reading and vote before final approval. The ordinance received its first approval at the June 2, 2026 meeting. Councilman Thornton made a motion to approve the second reading and final adoption of Ordinance O-2026-09. Seconded by Councilwoman Daisy Smith. Motion carried unanimously. Copy incorporated into minutes.

Code Enforcement Update on Commercial Property (105 N. Henry Street) - Code Enforcement provided an update regarding 105 North Henry Street. Staff reported that numerous violations remain, including concerns involving a rear downspout, and that no significant improvements have been made since the previous review. Staff will issue another certified notice and attempt to establish communication with the property owner before preparing a demolition/repair ordinance for future Council consideration.

Consideration of Rotary Fall Festival Sponsorship- Council considered the Town's annual sponsorship of the Rotary Club Fall Festival. Staff confirmed that funding had been included in the Town's budget and remained available. Councilwoman Daisy Smith made a motion to approve a \$500.00 donation to the Rotary Fall Festival. Seconded by Councilman Shelton. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Ordinance O-2026-12 Declaring a Temporary Road Closure for Downtown Trick or Treat - Councilman Shelton made a motion to approve Ordinance O-2026-12 authorizing the temporary road closure. Seconded by Councilwoman Daisy Smith. Motion carried unanimously. Copy incorporated into minutes.

Consideration to Approve Updates to the Internal Purchasing Policy and the Uniform Guidance Procurement Policy to Align with Recent Legislative Updates - Council considered updates to the Town's Internal Purchasing Policy and Uniform Guidance for Procurement Policy to incorporate recent legislative and State requirements applicable to procurement and federally or grant-funded projects. Council agreed that the revisions were necessary to maintain compliance. Councilman Thornton made a motion to approve the policy updates.

Seconded by Councilwoman Daisy Smith. Motion carried unanimously. Copy incorporated into minutes.

Consideration of Budget Amendment 080426 – Finance Officer Mary Ann Greer presented proposed budget amendments to appropriate unspent grant-related and other designated funds that had transferred to fund balance at the end of the prior fiscal year. The amendments will return the applicable funds to the appropriate expenditure accounts so they may be used for their intended purposes during the current fiscal year. Councilman Bennett made a motion to approve the budget amendments. Seconded by Councilman Thornton. Motion carried unanimously. Copy incorporated into minutes.

Town Administrator Report: No items to report

Mayor Galvan announced upcoming events and meetings.

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Mayor, Kathy Stanley-Galvan

Town Clerk, Deleia Hutcherson