

**Stoneville Town Council
Meeting Minutes
December 5, 2017
7:00 PM**

Present: Present were Mayor Ricky Craddock, Councilwoman Lori Armstrong, Councilmen Henry Thornton, and Jerry Smith. Mayor Pro-Tem Chuck Hundley and Councilman Bill Farris were absent. Newly elected Councilman Johnny Farmer was present and seated after being sworn in.

Also, present were Town Manager Ken Gamble, Human Resource/Finance Officer Joanna Dalton, Town Clerk Sherri Darnell, Police Chief Frank Moore, Police Captain Brandon Rivera, Police Officer Matt Michaels, Police Administrative Assistant Perry Webster, Public Works Director Mark Malloy, Fire Chief Tim Brown and Town Attorney Lisa Arthur.

Welcome: Mayor Ricky Craddock welcomed the assembly. After the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation, Mayor Craddock called the meeting to order.

Minutes: Mayor Ricky Craddock asked if there were any corrections to the minutes from the last meeting. With no corrections, Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Councilwoman Armstrong made the motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Thornton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Agenda: Mayor Ricky Craddock asked for a motion to approve the Agenda. Councilman Smith made the motion to approve the Agenda. Councilman Thornton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Installation of Council Members:

The Honorable Stan Allen administered the oath of office to Councilwoman Lori Armstrong. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

The Honorable Stan Allen administered the oath of office to Councilman Johnny Farmer. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Mayor Craddock announced a brief recess for refreshments in the lobby.

Mayor Craddock called the meeting back to order.

New Business:

Council Organizational Meeting:

Mayor Craddock asked if there were any nominations for Mayor Pro tem. Councilman Farmer nominated Councilwoman Armstrong. Councilwoman Armstrong nominated Councilman Hundley. There were no other nominations. Mayor Craddock asked for votes for Councilwoman Armstrong. Councilman Farmer and Councilman Thornton voted in favor. Mayor Craddock asked for votes for Councilman Hundley. Councilwoman Armstrong voted in favor. Councilman Smith abstained.

Councilwoman Armstrong received the majority of votes cast and was sworn in as Mayor Pro Tempore by the Honorable Stan Allen. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Proclamation Recognizing Service of Councilman Bill Farris:

Mayor Craddock read the proclamation to everyone in attendance and asked for a motion of approval. Councilman Thornton made the motion with Councilman Farmer seconding. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Proclamation for Town of Stoneville School Choice Week:

Mayor Craddock read the proclamation to everyone in attendance and asked for a motion of approval. Councilman Thornton made the motion. Councilman Farmer seconded, noting that Ricky should be added in before Craddock in the last paragraph. With that correction. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Grant Applications for Fire Chief Vehicle:

Fire Chief Brown asked Council for approval to apply for grants to obtain a Fire Chief's take home vehicle. One grant application will be through the NC Office of the Fire Marshall and the other through USDA. Chief Brown stated that he anticipates 100% of the costs to be covered if both grants are approved. Councilman Smith made the motion to proceed with application for both grants. Councilwoman Armstrong seconded. Motion carried.

Town Council Meeting Schedule for 2018:

Town Clerk Darnell presented the schedule stating that the only deviation from the first Tuesday, would be in November due to elections the meeting would be held on the second Tuesday. Councilwoman Armstrong made the motion to accept the meeting schedule. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

FY 2018-2019 Budget Calendar:

Town Manager Gamble stated that incorporating budget meetings into the regular meeting dates worked well last year and proposed continuing the process; therefore, allowing the budget ordinance to be passed at the June meeting. No vote was required on this item. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Get Fit Rockingham Partner Grant:

Town Manager Gamble explained the municipalities had a meeting with the Kate B. Reynolds Foundation staff to expand the Get Fit Eden program model throughout Rockingham County. Mr. Gamble would like for Stoneville to be included in the grant and would like to be able to expend \$1,000.00 if the grant is either late or not approved. Councilman Farmer made the motion to approve. Councilman Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

Chief Moore stated that Mr. Barry Stuart had made a comment to him that he would like to Sponsor next year's parade.

Town Manager's Report:

Town Manager Gamble stated that the Christmas stroll, parade and tree lighting were all well attended and after costs, profited \$700.00 for Parks and Recreation.

The NC Realtors Revitalized Communities will be shooting stories across the state about communities making their downtowns successful. The Stoneville Downtown Core Group will be a part of this story with interviews and stories being shot on December 14th.

Senior Christmas Treat bags will be delivered on December 14th.

Executive Session:

Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to enter into executive session.

Councilman Thornton made the motion. Councilwoman Armstrong seconded. Motion carried.

Regular Session:

Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to return to regular session. Councilman Thornton made the motion. Councilwoman Armstrong seconded. Motion carried.

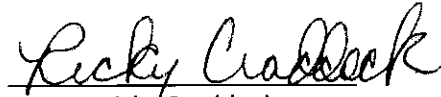
Mayor Craddock stated that during Executive Session an economic development matter was discussed with no action taken.

Councilman Smith made the motion to increase Town Manager Gamble's salary by 3% for his attainment of the ICMA certification. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.

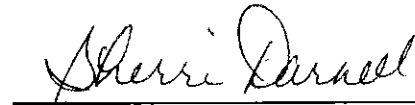
Councilman Farmer made the motion to give the 10 Full Time employees a \$400.00 bonus, and the 12 Part Time employees a \$200.00 bonus effective immediately. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.

Adjourn:

Mayor Craddock asked for a motion of adjournment. Councilman Thornton made the motion. Councilwoman Armstrong seconded. Motion carried.



Mayor, Ricky Craddock



Town Clerk, Sherri Darnell,
CMC, NCCMC

