

AGENDA
Stoneville Town Council Meeting
January 3, 2017
7:00 PM

Call to Order-Mayor Craddock
Pledge of Allegiance
Invocation
Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting
Approval of Agenda

New Business:

1. Resolution Requesting a New Roof for the Stoneville Elementary School Gymnasium – Ken Gamble
2. Stoneville Branding & Motto Presentation – Kathy Stanley-Galvan
3. Request for Approval to Apply for OSFM 50/50 Matching Grant – Chief Tim Brown
4. Budget Amendment 2 – Joanna Dalton
5. Approval of FY 17-18 Budget Calendar

Public Comments:

Old Business:

1. Request to Close Section of Oakdale Street – Jodi Lester
2. Resolution of Intent to Close a Portion of Oakdale Street – Ken Gamble

Town Manager Report:

1. Meter Replacement/Refresh Project Update
2. Oakdale Street Storm Drain Replacement
3. Sustainable Utility Management 01-14-17 / 9a-3p

Executive Session Into:

Executive Session Out Of:

Adjourn/Recess:

**Stoneville Town Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
December 1, 2016
7:00 PM**

Present: Present were Mayor Ricky Craddock, Mayor Pro-tem Chuck Hundley, Councilwoman Lori Armstrong, Councilmen Bill Farris, Henry Thornton and Jerry Smith.

Also present were Town Manager Kenneth Gamble, Human Resource/Finance Officer Joanna Dalton, Town Clerk Sherri Darnell, Public Works Director Mark Malloy, Police Chief Frank Moore, Police Administrative Assistant Perry Webster and Town Attorney Lisa Arthur of Smith, Moore, Leatherwood.

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

Minutes: Mayor Craddock asked if there were any corrections to the minutes from the last meetings. With no corrections, Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Mayor Pro-tem Hundley made the motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Thornton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Agenda: Mayor Craddock asked if there were any adjustments to the originally submitted Agenda. With no adjustments Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to approve the Agenda. Councilwoman Armstrong made the motion to approve the Agenda. Councilman Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business:

Proclamation Honoring the Service of Town Clerk Marilyn Smith:

Mayor Craddock read the proclamation to everyone in attendance. He then asked for a motion to approve this proclamation. Councilman Smith made the motion. Councilman Farris seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Recognition of Citizen Contributions to Downtown Christmas Decorations:

Mayor Craddock recognized and thanked Cathy Brown, Jodi Lester, Betsy Shively and Linda Priddy for their contributions to the downtown Christmas decorations, each received a small token of appreciation.

Request to Close a Section of Oakdale Street:

Mrs. Jodi Lester of 200 Lee Street asked Council to consider closing the section of Oakdale Street which joins her property. Mrs. Lester stated that this road originally ended at the corner of her home on Lee Street until Mr. and Mrs. Mark Brown built their home and made this area the driveway to their home and maintain this section.

Mr. Charles Rakestraw spoke opposing the closure, stating that it would pose a hardship to reach some of the property owned by his business.

Mrs. Dixie Brown spoke stating that this area was made to be their driveway and motorists are thinking it is a throughway and turn around there.

Mr. Cliff Lester stated that he was also for the closure because of the same reasons.

After much discussion, Councilman Smith made the motion to table this discussion until the January 3, 2017 meeting to allow Council to investigate the area. Councilman Thornton seconded the motion. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Resolution of Intent to Close a Portion of Oakdale Street:

Not acted upon due to tabling of item.

Replacement of Storm Drain Pipe on Oakdale Street:

Mr. Ed Brown of 109 Oakdale Street stated that he felt the storm drain pipe was adequate and would not need to be replaced; therefore, not tearing into his well-maintained yard. After some discussion, Town Manager Gamble advised letting our Town Engineer look into the problem and go with his advice. By consensus, Council tabled this discussion until consultation with the Town Engineer.

Request for Approval of Major Subdivision Plat:

Mr. Charles Rakestraw approached Council for approval of the second phase of his subdivision. Town Manager Gamble stated that several issues needed to be addressed before approval. 1. The proposed plat will add 14 additional lots. The ordinance requires a ½ acre set aside for recreation for every 10 lots, however, the downtown trail that runs through this section could account for approximately half of this requirement. 2. The ordinance requires that hydrants be not more than 400 feet apart with the state standard being 600 feet. 3. Several items need to be added to the plat, size of the sewer line, the zoning of all property adjacent to the subdivision and an updated date of submission. After much discussion, Mayor Pro-tem Hundley made the motion that the preliminary plat would be approved on the condition that the Fire Chief would advise the number and placement of any additional hydrants to be sufficient, the current trail meets the ½ acre recreation requirement, the sewer size, zoning and date of submission must be updated. Councilman Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried with a vote of 4 to 1 with Councilwoman Armstrong voting No. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Outdoor Fitness Project-Downtown Core Group:

Mrs. Kathy Stanley Galvan described the project and the possible locations of the equipment. Mrs. Galvan also stated that this project will not cost the Town any money, but permission was needed to place the equipment on Town property including Friendship Park, Memorial Park and the future Rotary Park. Councilman Smith made the motion to continue with this project. Mayor Pro-tem Hundley seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

2017 Town Council Meeting Dates:

Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to approve these dates for the 2017 Council meetings. Councilman Farris made the motion. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Order of Collection of Delinquent Nuisance Abatement Fees:

Town Manager Gamble presented the list of delinquent nuisance abatement fees to council for approval. Councilwoman Armstrong made the motion to approve. Councilman Farris seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Recognition of Joanna Dalton for Earning IPMA-SCP Certification:

Town Manager Gamble presented Ms. Dalton with her certification in Human Resources.

Public Comments: All persons signed up were for proposed street closure and were heard during the topic.

Old Business:

Resolution of Approval of Final Plans and Specs for USDA Project:

Town Manager Gamble stated that the USDA requires this resolution in order to proceed with this project. Councilman Smith made the motion to adopt the resolution. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Town Manager's Report:

Town Manager Gamble stated that the water meter pilot project is on line and the customers that are on the project can sign up on Eye on Water. The Downtown Stroll, Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting was a great success. The addition of the Christmas Stroll was a great idea and Perry Webster did an outstanding job of putting it together. We had around the same number entries in the parade. The event cleared \$1625.00 for Parks and Recreation which was a 250% increase from last year. Distribution of Senior Treat Bags will be December 16th and a reminder of the Sustainable Utility Management Training on January 14, 2017 9AM – 3 pm.

Executive Session:

Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to enter into executive session. Councilwoman Armstrong made the motion. Councilman Farris seconded. Motion carried.

Regular Session:

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

Mayor Craddock stated that during executive session a contract matter was discussed with no changes made. Also, and economic development matter was discussed with no action taken.

Adjourn:

Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Farris made the motion. Mayor-Pro tem Hundley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Ricky Craddock

Town Clerk Sherri Darnell

**Stoneville Town Council
Emergency Meeting
Minutes December 14,
2016
5:00 PM**

Present: Present were Mayor Ricky Craddock, Mayor Pro-tem Chuck Hundley, Councilwoman Lori Armstrong, Councilmen Bill Farris, Henry Thornton and Jerry Smith.

Also present were Town Manager Kenneth Gamble, Human Resource/Finance Officer Joanna Dalton, Town Clerk Sherri Darnell, Police Chief Frank Moore, and Town Attorney Lisa Arthur of Smith, Moore, Leatherwood via telephone.

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

Agenda: Mayor Craddock asked if there were any adjustments to the originally submitted Agenda. With no adjustments Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to approve the Agenda. Councilman Thornton made the motion to approve the Agenda. Councilman Farris seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business:

Proposed Revision to Town of Stoneville Personnel Ordinance

Town Manager Gamble stated that upon reviewing our Personnel Ordinances with Human Resource Director Dalton, it was discovered that the ordinance regarding Maternity Leave needed to be revised.

Town Attorney Arthur stated that legally the ordinance should remove female employee and change some of the other language to cover both parents. Also, changing six months period to twelve weeks.

Executive Session:

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Regular Session:

Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to return to regular session. Councilwoman Armstrong made the motion. Mayor Pro-tem Hundley seconded. Motion carried.

Town Manager Gamble read the changes to the ordinance:

1. Change Maternity leave to Parental Leave
2. Remove female in the first sentence of section A
3. Section B change is entitled to may, change maternity to parental, change six months to twelve weeks, also adding a sentence Employees may be granted an extension by the Town

Manager when medically necessary.

4. Add a third paragraph, Section C, stating A Parental Leave Request, including the tentative duration of the leave requested, must be submitted to the department head in advance of the leave, preferably 30 days ahead of the leave unless the need is a sudden one.

Mayor Craddock asked for a motion of approval as described. Councilman Farris made the motion. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Adjourn:

Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Thornton made the motion. Councilwoman Armstrong seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Ricky Craddock

Town Clerk Sherri Darnell



R-2017-01

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING A NEW ROOF FOR THE STONEVILLE
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYMNASIUM**

WHEREAS, Stoneville Elementary School is a vital part of the Stoneville community and the Town Council recognizes and appreciates the investments made at the school in 2016; and

WHEREAS, Stoneville Elementary School and the Town of Stoneville Parks & Recreation Department have partnered to provide youth sports for children in Western Rockingham County; and

WHEREAS, Use of the Stoneville Elementary School gymnasium is essential in offering affordable Fall, Winter and Spring youth sports opportunities; and

WHEREAS, The gymnasium roof regularly leaks and is in immediate need of replacement; and

WHEREAS, Generous Stoneville residents have supported Stoneville Elementary School and Stoneville Parks and Recreation Programs by donating new basketball backboards in 2015; and

WHEREAS, A Stoneville resident has committed to replacing the gym floor if the roof is replaced.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Stoneville Council hereby requests the Rockingham County School System and Rockingham County Board of Commissioners to authorize funds for the replacement of the roof of the Stoneville Elementary gymnasium.

RESPECTFULLY submitted this the _____ day of _____, 2017.

Ricky Craddock, Mayor

Sherri Darnell, CMC/NCCMC

(SEAL)



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To: Mayor Craddock, Mayor Pro-Tem Hundley, Councilwoman Armstrong, Councilmen Farris, Thornton and Smith

From: Ken Gamble – Manager

Date: 12/21/2016

Subject: Calendar for FY 17-18 Budget Process

FY 2017-2018 Budget Calendar

Budget Retreat -	Saturday February 11 th 9:00 am
Department Head Budgets to Administrator -	Tuesday February 28 th 5:00 pm
1 st Draft Delivered to Council & Department Heads -	Monday March 13 th 5:00 pm
Public Budget Meeting / Department Head Requests -	Tuesday April 4 th 6:00 pm
2 nd Draft Delivered to Council & Department Heads -	Friday April 21 st 5:00 pm
Public Budget Meeting – Final Budget to Council	Tuesday May 2 nd 6:00 pm
Budget Available for Public Inspection -	Wednesday May 3 rd 12:00 pm
Amendments to Council -	Friday June 2 nd 5:00 p.m.
Public Hearing on Budget – Adopt Budget Ordinance -	Tuesday June 6 th 6:00 pm

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BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the Town of Stoneville, North Carolina that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017:

Section 1. To amend the General Fund, the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

<u>Account Number</u>		<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
4310399	PD Misc. (Walmart Donation)	\$1,000.00	
4310353	PD Vehicle Maintenance	\$2,447.90	
6120550	Recreation Capital Outlay	\$25,000.00	

This will result in an increase of \$28,447.90 in the expenditures of the General Fund. To provide for the change in expenditures, the following revenues will be increased:

<u>Account Number</u>		<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Increase</u>
3431890	PD Misc. (Walmart Donation)		\$1,000.00
3431890	PD Misc. Revenue (Traveler's Ins.)		\$2,447.90
3434434	NC Community Foundation		\$25,000.00

Section 2. Copies of this budget amendment shall be furnished to the Clerk to the Governing Board and to the Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2017.

Town Clerk

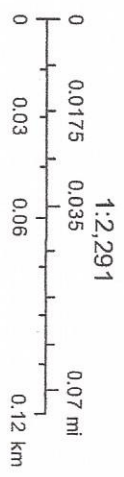
Mayor

Rockingham County, NC WebGIS



December 6, 2016

- Roads
- <all other values>
- US
- NC
- SR
- Parcels
- County Boundary
- Adjacent Counties
- Roads_Labels



Urban advantages. More green space within a city's boundaries can improve the urban environment. Green space advantages help regulate air quality and climate...reducing energy consumption by countering the warming effects of paved surfaces....recharging groundwater supplies and protecting lakes and streams from polluted runoff.

Water quality protection. Proper landscaping reduces nitrate leaching from the soil into the water supply and reduces surface water runoff, keeping phosphorus and other pollutants out of our waterways and preventing septic system overload.

- **Oakdale Street is currently 13 feet wide. Wide enough for only one car.**
- **From the Brown home to the edge of the existing Oakdale Street is 22 feet.**
- **From the Lester home to the edge of the existing Oakdale Street is 40 feet.**
- **Current Stoneville road ordinances require a width of 50 feet for town roads. That is 25 feet from center line to the town's right of way. If the road is to be improved for traffic that will only leave 3.5 feet from the edge of the right of way to the Brown home.**
- **How can this be improved for both vehicular and pedestrian traffic?**
- **Cars fly down around that corner thinking that it is an open street only to skid to a stop before hitting the woods and the creek. There is a very deep drop off just beyond Lee Street. IT IS A HUGE SAFETY ISSUE!!!!**
- **Walking trail easement is in place and will have to be crossed by vehicles for Oakdale Street to be extended to Price Street.**
- **The development of Stoneville should be carefully and educationally considered to protect green space and the lovely, historic characteristics that make up this beautiful town. Natural resources should be protected above all else.**
- **Price Street is less than ½ mile long. There is not any reason why there needs to be more than 2 ways to access it.**
- **The Browns have maintained that section of Oakdale St. paving it and with snow removal. The town has never maintained that section of street.**

Under G.S. 160A-299, a municipality may permanently close a street or public alley within the municipal limits or extraterritorial jurisdiction. This applies to streets and alleys that have been opened and maintained as public, as well as property that was offered for dedication to the public by plat but never accepted or maintained by the municipality.

Council may adopt an order closing the street or alley if council is satisfied "that closing the street or alley is not contrary to the public interest, and that no individual owning property in the vicinity of the street or alley or in the subdivision in which it is located would thereby be deprived of reasonable means of ingress and egress to his property." For NCDOT-controlled streets or alleys, NCDOT must consent to the closing.

Private Withdrawal

Under certain circumstances a dedication that has not been opened and used may be withdrawn by private parties.

If property dedicated for a street is not actually opened and used by the public within 15 years of dedication, the dedication is presumed abandoned and certain property owners may withdraw the dedication. G.S. 136-96. The dedicator or an individual claiming rights under the dedicator must record with the register of deeds a declaration withdrawing the dedicated property. There are limitations, however. Where dedicated property is necessary "to afford convenient ingress or egress to any lot or parcel of land sold and convey by the dedicator," the dedication may not be abandoned and withdrawn. Additionally, property dedicated to be part of a future street shown on an adopted street plan pursuant to G.S. 136-66.2 may not be abandoned and withdrawn.

*The right to withdraw is not enjoyed generally by lot purchasers. The statute authorizes withdrawal by "the dedicator or some one or more of those claiming under him." Those claiming rights under the dedicator will depend upon the rights conveyed to lot purchasers and the organizational structure of the developer and/or homeowners association. In one case, the court of appeals found that because the dedicator was an individual and retained fee interest in the streets, the individual lot owners only had an easement and could not withdraw the dedication of the underlying fee interest. *Town of Atl. Beach v. Tradewinds Campground, Inc.*, 97 N.C. App. 655, 389 S.E.2d 276 (1990). By contrast, if the dedicator had been a corporation that became defunct, then the lot owners may have had more rights under G.S. 136.96.*

Private Rights

*It is worth noting that even if a public right-of-way is closed or withdrawn, private rights for the use of that property may still apply. In *Stephens v. Dortch*, for example, a property owner sought to withdraw dedication of a certain segment of street from an old subdivision. Neighbors objected. The court upheld the withdrawal of dedication, as the area was never accepted by a government entity for maintenance nor used by the general public, but the court also found that neighbors had an easement appurtenant (and more rights than the general public). 148 N.C. App. 509, 510, 558 S.E.2d 889, 890 (2002).*

Conclusion

Closing the un-opened street? The property owner possibly may seek withdrawal, but it will depend on the rights of that owner under the original dedicator. Alternatively, the town could initiate a closure under G.S. 160A-299. Again, if the town followed the proper procedure and made the requisite findings, it could formally close the unopened street.



Oakdale Street