Stoneville Town Council
Meeting Minutes
August 14, 2018
7:00 PM

Present: Present were Mayor Ricky Craddock, Mayor Pro tem Lori Armstrong, Councilmen Chuck Hundley, Henry Thornton, Jerry Smith and Johnny Farmer.

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 Officers James Pulliam and Matt Michaels, Police Administrative Assistant Perry Webster, Public Works Director Mark Malloy, Town Engineer Bill Lester and Town Attorney Lisa Arthur.

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

Minutes: Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to approve the Minutes from the last meetings. Councilman Thornton made the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Armstrong seconded. Motion carried.

Agenda: Mayor Ricky Craddock asked for a motion to approve the Agenda with the addition of items # 2 and # 14. Councilman Smith made the motion to approve the Agenda with the additions. Councilman Thornton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business:

Friendship Park Mural Project:

Town Manager Gamble explained that the Downtown Core Group has been working several months on a mural project to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the tornado that changed our Town and lives forever. Brandon Hardison, Core Group member and local artist, has created a design depicting aspects of our history and environment. The cost of the project is $5,000.00. The Stoneville Rotary Club has pledged $1,500.00, Town Façade improvement money of $2000.00 in the 2018/2019 budget would be used and the last $1,500.00 will be funded by grants and donations. Mr. Hardison unveiled the artwork for everyone and explained his concept. Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to move forward with the project. Mayor Pro tem Armstrong made the motion. Councilman Hundley seconded. Motion carried. Photo of artwork incorporated into the minutes.

No Pipeline Rockingham Committee:

Ms. Lyn Carlisle presented information regarding the proposed pipeline that will cross through Rockingham County carrying fracked gas. After some discussion, no action was taken at this time. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Fall Festival Support:

Mr. Bobby Stanley spoke regarding the upcoming Rotary Fall Festival event and the many local and global services that the club provides. Mr. Stanley asked the Town to donate to this annual event. Councilman Farmer made a motion to contribute $300.00 to the event. Councilman Smith made a motion to contribute $400.00 to the event. Since there was

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already a motion on the floor, Councilman Farmer rescinded his motion. Mayor Craddock asked for a second to Councilman Smith's motion to contribute $400.00. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.

Amendment to Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Ordinance:

Town Manager Gamble explained that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board is requesting two changes to the ordinance. First, the Parks and Recreation Director should be an ex officio member of the board, not the Chairman. Second, the Chairman should be the elected Town Councilmember appointed. After some discussion, Mayor Craddock asked for a motion adopt this amendment. Councilman Smith made the motion. Councilman Hundley seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Appointment:

Town Manager Gamble explained that Curt Bennett was brought in to fill the vacancy left by Tommy Wright and Chris Frye's one year term is expiring. These two individuals wish to be re-appointed until June 2021. Councilman Hundley made the motion to appoint Curt Bennett and Chris Frye. Councilman Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Amendment to Schedule of Fees:

Town Manager Gamble stated that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board has decided to offer discounts to families with multiple children playing sports through our program. This amendment reflects the changes to the sports program fees. After some discussion, Councilman Hundley made the motion to adopt this amendment. Councilman Smith seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Budget Amendment 1:

Finance Officer Dalton explained that this budget amendment will authorize the movement of $59,840.00 of funds allocated in the FY 2017/2018 budget but not yet spent to the 2018/2019 budget. After some discussion, Mayor Craddock called for a motion to approve the budget amendment. Councilman Smith made the motion. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Approval of Professional Administrative Services Contract for CDBG Project:

This was presented to Council on May 1, 2018 with a recommendation to approve after CDBG training in June and meeting in August. Mayor Craddock asked for a motion of approval. Councilman Farmer made the motion. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Approval of Professional Engineering Services Contract for CDBG Project:

This was presented to Council on May 1, 2018 with a recommendation to approve after CDBG training in June and meeting in August. Mayor Craddock asked for a motion of approval. Councilman Farmer made the motion. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

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CDBG Resolution for Check/Requisition Signatures & Administration:

Town Manager Gamble stated that this document gives the Mayor, Finance Officer and Town Manager the authority to sign off on CDBG documents. Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to adopt this resolution. Councilman Thornton made the motion. Mayor Pro tem Armstrong seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

CDBG Project Ordinance-O-2018-03:

Town Manger Gamble explained that this is a requirement of CDBG; establishing an ordinance for project revenues and expenditures for accounting purposes. Mayor Craddock asked for a motion of adoption. Councilman Smith made the motion. Mayor Pro tem Armstrong seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

CDBG Section 3 Fair Housing Requirements:

Town Engineer Lester explained that this is just one of many requirements that must be met under this type of grant; Section 3 is a directive for creating economic opportunities for low and very low income persons residing in the community, even if for a short time. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

USDA Funding Application for Pocket Park:

Town Manager Gamble asked Council for permission to submit an application to USDA Rural Business Development Grant to fund future phases of the pocket park project. Mayor Craddock asked for a motion of approval. Mayor Pro tem Armstrong made the motion. Councilman Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Authorization for Pump Repair at Simpson Street Lift Station:

Public Works Director Malloy asked for permission to repair the pump at the Simpson Street pump station at a cost of $8000.00. Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to allow the repair. Councilman Farmer made the motion. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.

Executive Session Into:

Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to enter into executive session. Mayor Pro tem Armstrong made the motion. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.

Executive Session Out:

Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to return to regular session. Councilman Hundley made the motion. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.
Mayor Craddock stated that a legal matter was discussed with no action taken.

Public Comments:

Rabron Wiggins inquired about allowing chickens inside the town limits and a deer roundup.
Chief Frank Moore introduced new Officer James Pulliam.
Paul Ewing inquired about flooding problems they are experiencing at Southern View Mobile Home Park during heavy rains.
Jerry Smith inquired about looking into getting golf cart signage to warn motorists to watch out for golf carts.

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Old Business:

USDA Project Progress:

Town Manager Gamble stated that the project is progressing; due to the heavy rains, the Glendale Street section is delayed. The school property section is complete. The section of Mebane Street at Charlie's Soap is temporarily held up due to a slope problem at the driveway but should be done before school starts. The Oaklawn Street section is still waiting for TV work and lateral lines to be laid. Any additional yard work that needs to be completed will be done in the early fall.

Town Manager Report:

Town Manager Gamble stated that due to dedicated staff and extra time spent, the new water billing software project is on target for the September 1st billing. New billing examples were sent in the newsletter in order for customers to be familiar with them.
The Pocket Park concrete compass had to be dug up and the contractor will re-pour.
The Cruise In will be August 17th from 5 – 8 pm.
The Senior Breakfast is September 8th from 7 – 11 am.
The final Get Fit Rockingham timed walk will be September 15th at 9 am.

Executive Session:

Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to enter into executive session. Mayor Pro tem Armstrong made the motion. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.

Regular Session:

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

Mayor Craddock stated that a business and personnel matter were discussed with no action taken.

Adjourn:

Mayor Craddock then asked for a motion of adjournment. Mayor Pro tem Armstrong made the motion. Councilman Farmer seconded. Motion carried.

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Mayor, Ricky Craddock

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Town Clerk, Sherri Darnell,
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