

**Stoneville Town Council
Meeting Minutes
October 6, 2020
7:00 PM via Zoom and In
Person**

Present: Present were Mayor Kathy Stanley-Galvan, Councilmen Chuck Hundley (via Zoom), Bill Farris (via Zoom), Henry Thornton, Jerry Smith and Johnny Farmer. Also, present were Town Manager Lori Armstrong, Human Resource/Finance Officer Joanna Dalton, Town Clerk Sherri Darnell, Police Chief Frank Moore, Administrative Assistant Perry Webster, Public Works Director Mark Malloy, Parks & Recreation Director Jackie Blackard and Town Attorney Lisa Arthur.

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

Minutes: Mayor Galvan asked for a motion to approve the Minutes from the September 1, 2020 meeting. Councilman Thornton made the motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Smith seconded. Motion carried.
Mayor Galvan asked for a motion to approve the Minutes from the September 9, 2020 meeting. Councilman Farmer made the motion. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.

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

New Business:

Proclamation in Recognition of National American Indian Heritage Month:

Mayor Galvan read the proclamation into the record and asked for a motion to approve. Councilman Thornton made the motion. Councilman Farmer seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Recognition of Town Beautification Participants:

Mayor Galvan recognized the participants: Paige Frye, Denise Wilson, Mitzi Evans, Barbara Belton, Mark Malloy, Lori Armstrong as well as herself; thanked them and stated that they are working on a mission statement to respect the Town and remove litter. Next meeting will be October 27th at 4:30 pm.

Fee Schedule Amendment:

This amendment increases the parking fine from \$5.00 to \$10.00 and also removes section 70.02 vehicle registrations through the Town; made ineffective with the June 2016 decision to levy a \$5.00 per licensed vehicle tax through the County. Councilman Farmer made the motion to approve with the correction of the word Administrator in the definitions section to another word that would not be so confusing. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Driveway Egress and Ingress:

Community residents are questioning the town's role with driveways and installation of pipe,

repairing concrete, etc. After much discussion, Council directed the Public Works Director and Town Manager to discuss charging, not charging or not doing it at all and bring decision back to the November meeting.

PTRC Salary Study:

Terri Rivers with PTRC presented the findings for the salary study. After much discussion, Council was directed to have any additional questions to the Town Manager by Monday at noon.

Budget Amendments:

Three budget amendments were presented for grant funds received. Councilman Thornton made the motion to approve. Councilman Farmer seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Purchasing Policy:

A draft of the purchasing policy was given to the Council. After some discussion, decision was made to table until November meeting.

Meeting Restrictions:

Mayor Galvan requested input regarding banning backpacks, purses, bags and the like during Public Meetings. Councilman Farmer made the motion to approve. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.

Public Works Building, Parks & Recreation:

Ray Wiggins spoke regarding the slow start of the Public Works Building. Park is still unsuitable. Fire Department and Police Departments are underpaid. Suggested that the Parks & Recreation Director should have been furloughed in March.

Public Comments:

Lupo Galvan spoke regarding spending by the Town and accountability.

Old Business:

Public Works Building:

Town Manager Armstrong stated that after the last meeting she and Perry Webster met with Mark Langel with the County. January informal bids were requested with a projected budget of \$100,000.00. March COVID hit with policies and procedures that had to be met and put into place. With this pandemic came price increases; therefore in August Council approved a total of \$150,000.00 to be placed into the budget for capital buildings outlay. We began looking for a general contractor with only 1 willing to work on the project. After much discussion, Councilman Farmer made a motion to table until we have site specific plans or have a special meeting with the general contractor or the November meeting. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.

Nuisance and Abatement Information:

Rockingham County Inspections will work with us with nuisance and abatement for habitual offenders and hard to handle cases with harsher penalties. After some discussion, Councilman Farmer made a motion to gather the pertinent information. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.

NCDOT Milling and Paving Update:

NCDOT began milling last week and plans to have paving complete in approximately two weeks.

Town Manager Report:

Nuisance and Abatements for this year 13 letters sent, some were duplicates. Town action on only 2. Graph incorporated into the minutes

The lot on Stone Street and Golden Eagle owned by the Town had received a quote for clearing at \$5,000.00.

USDA site visit on September 28th. Very complementary on the use of funds.

Letter from Senator Philip Berger thanking everyone for their service and commitment to the community during COVID-19. Incorporated into the minutes.

Executive Session:

Motion to enter made by Councilman Thornton. Second by Councilman Farmer. Motion carried.

Regular Session:

Motion made by Councilman Hundley. Second by Councilman Thornton.

Mayor Galvan stated that a legal issue was discussed with no action taken.

Adjourn:

Mayor Galvan then asked for a motion of adjournment. Councilman Thornton made the motion. Councilman Farmer seconded. Motion carried.


Mayor, Kathy Stanley-Galvan


Town Clerk, Sherri Darnell, CMC, NCCMC



**Stoneville Town Council
Special Meeting Minutes
October 15, 2020
5:10 PM**

Present: Present were Mayor Kathy Stanley-Galvan, Councilmen Henry Thornton, Jerry Smith and Johnny Farmer. Councilmen Bill Farris and Chuck Hundley were absent. Also, present were Town Manager Lori Armstrong, Finance Officer Joanna Dalton, Town Clerk Sherri Darnell, Police Chief Frank Moore and Administrative Assistant Perry Webster.

Welcome: Mayor Galvan asked Councilman Smith to lead the Pledge of Allegiance and Mayor Galvan gave the Invocation and called the meeting to order.

Agenda: Mayor Galvan asked for a motion to approve the Agenda. Councilman Thornton made the motion. Councilman Farmer seconded. Motion carried.

Public Works Building:

Town Manager Armstrong gave a timeline of the project and 2 recommendations as follows:

January-Vision Retreat-gathered information and ideas

February-quotes for demolition

March-inventoried and demolition scheduled-COVID

April-research continued, vendors restricted- COVID

May-continued research, vendors restricted- COVID

June-continued research- COVID -cut 10% from budget

July-new fiscal year- COVID

August-tentative budget of \$150,000.00 with recommendations-COVID

September-report to council-survey completed-COVID

October-Council placed on hold until November meeting-COVID

Option 1: Hire a general contractor to oversee entire project.

Option 2: Start over keeping in mind that all construction material prices are increasing.

Councilman Thornton stated to get a general contractor or put it on hold but when we proceed that we consider curb appeal.

Councilman Farmer stated not to do anything until we get plans.

Councilman Smith stated to start over since site specific plans are at least 12 weeks away.

Discussion

Councilman Thornton made a motion to start over with a general contractor. Motion died for lack of a second.

Discussion

Councilman Smith asked the Town Manager to call Mr. Hawks for a meeting with Council or Councilman Smith will call Mr. Hawks himself.

Councilman Farmer stated that he would not vote for anything without plans, he then got up and left the meeting at 6:20 pm. Meeting ended.

Kathy Stanley-Galvan

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