# Stoneville Town Council Special Meeting Minutes May 20, 2021 4:00 PM

Present:

Present were Mayor Kathy Stanley-Galvan, Councilmen Chuck Hundley, Jerry Smith, Bill Farris and Johnny Farmer. Henry Thornton was absent.

Also present were Town Manager Perry Webster and Finance Officer Joanna Dalton.

After the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation, Mayor Galvan called the meeting to order.

# **Executive Session:**

Mayor Galvan asked for a motion to enter into executive session. Councilman Hundley made the motion. Councilman Farris seconded. Motion carried.

# **Regular Session:**

Upon return to regular session, Mayor Galvan stated that a legal matter was discussed with action taken giving Town Manager Webster the authority to negotiate a purchase price.

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn made by Councilman Hundley. Seconded by Councilman Farmer. Motion carried.

Mayor, Kathy Stanley-Galvan

Town Clerk, Sherri Darnell, CMC, NCCMC



# Stoneville Town Council Meeting Minutes May 4, 2021 Executive Session 6:00 PM 7:00 PM

# **Executive Session:**

All Members present.

Enter into executive session motion made by Councilman Thornton. Seconded by Councilman Farris. Motion carried.

Present:

Present were Mayor Kathy Stanley-Galvan, Councilmen Chuck Hundley, Jerry Smith, Henry Thornton, Johnny Farmer and Bill Farris. Also, present were Interim Town Manager Perry Webster, Human Resource/Finance Officer Joanna Dalton, Town Clerk Sherri Darnell, Police Chief Frank Moore, Public Works Director Mark Malloy, Downtown Core Group President Amy Hardison and Town Attorney Lisa

Arthur (via Zoom).

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 last meetings. Councilman Thornton made the motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Hundley seconded. Motion carried.

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

#### **Council Comments:**

Mayor Galvan along with Councilman Farmer expressed their appreciation for the hard work by the beautification committee (Mitzi Evans, Denise Wilson and Paige Frye) for getting planters for Town Hall and the downtown area. Councilman Farmer also stated that 573 Grill had been reopened and encouraged people to visit this establishment as well as the park.

#### **New Business:**

# Proclamations for Municipal Clerk's Week, Police Week & Public Works Week:

Clerk Darnell read all 3 proclamations. Mayor Galvan then asked for a motion to approve. Councilman Hundley made the motion. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried. Copies incorporated into the minutes.

# Resolution R-2021-01 - Opposing SB349/HB401 & HB496 Zoning Reform:

Town Manager Webster explained that this resolution was opposing the zoning reform proposed stating that a one size fits all approach will not work here. Also, this resolution opposes the restrictions that are trying to be implemented regarding trees on private property. Councilman Farmer made the motion to adopt this resolution. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

## Resolution R-2021-02 - Contract with Stoneville Health Insurance Store:

Town Manager Webster explained this resolution makes it possible for the Town to contract with

Councilman Smith as our health insurance agent. Councilman Farmer made the motion to approve. Councilman Farris seconded. Councilman Smith recused. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

# **Howard Coble Center for Children with Special Needs:**

Mr. Michael Jackson, accompanied by Mrs. Judi Price, spoke to council regarding the beginnings of this program and the help it provides for special needs children. Mr. Jackson also stated that they are bringing another one of these programs to Stoneville with a tentative opening date of July 2021.

#### **Budget Amendment:**

Finance Officer Dalton explained this budget amendment was to account for unanticipated revenues from tax monies and donations in the amount of \$4,250.00. Councilman Farmer made the motion to approve the budget amendment. Councilman Hundley seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

# Public Hearing for Rezoning Request at 158 Deaton Loop:

Councilman Hundley made the motion to open the public hearing. Councilman Farris seconded. Motion carried.

Town Manager Webster stated that the Planning/Zoning/Board of Adjustment had heard this request on April 21, 2021 and had determined that this request was approved. Copy of Approval Motion for Rezoning Hearing incorporated into the minutes. After some discussion by council and no one signed up for comments, Councilman Smith made a motion to close the public hearing. Councilman Hundley seconded. Motion carried.

Councilman Hundley made the motion to accept the rezoning of the property at 158 Deaton Loop. Councilman Farmer seconded. Motion carried.

#### **Public Comments:**

Mr. Norman Pike and Mr. Scott Vaden asked council about the creek behind the properties on Clark Street and if anything could be done to help control flooding during heavy rains.

Mrs. Sherry Hancock spoke (via Zoom) regarding the Youth Council and what needed to be done to get this program started.

# **Old Business:**

# Nuisance/Abatement Contract with Rockingham County:

Town Manager Webster presented an example of the Interlocal Agreement that we would have to sign if we contract with the County on our more extensive cases with the County charging the Town \$300.00 per case. After some discussion, Councilman Hundley made the motion to move forward and have the Town Attorney review the agreement. Councilman Smith seconded. Motion carried.

# Leslie & Haywood Street Update:

Public Works Director Malloy stated that everything on the site is clear and once all the paperwork is completed, it will be wrapped up.

#### **Property on Stone Street:**

Councilman Smith asked that this item be tabled.

#### **American Tower Contract:**

Town Manager Webster asked if Council would like to renegotiate this contract per American Tower's suggestions. After much discussion, Councilman Farmer made the motion to leave as is for now. Councilman Hundley seconded. Motion carried with Councilman Smith voting No.

# **Auditor Contract:**

Town Manager Webster stated that we have 2 proposals for auditor; one from Gibson & Company and one from Rouse, Rouse, & Gardner. Gibson & Company is our present auditor and has been for several years and Rouse, Rouse, Rouse, & Gardner is a new proposal. After much discussion, Councilman Smith made the motion to go with Rouse, Rouse, & Garner on a 1 year basis of \$24,950.00 per their agreement. Councilman Smith stated that they are based in Rockingham County and he would like to keep business local. Councilman Hundley seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

# FY 2021-2022 Budget:

Town Manager Webster stated that is a balanced budget. After some discussion, Councilman Farmer made the motion to approve as presented with the addition of \$1.07 added to recycling. Councilman Smith seconded. Motion carried. Copy placed for public inspection.

#### **Town Report:**

Town Manager Webster reported that the Duke Energy Lighting Contract had increase from \$866.00 per year to \$1291.32 per year.

Our Water/Sewer payments are on schedule and anyone that is on a payment plan is keeping up on the payments.

Concerning online payments and bank drafts the decision has been made to conduct business as usual at this time.

The Beautification Committee has ordered more planters to be delivered and installed as well as more trash cans.

The CDBG grant will hold a pre-construction meeting on May 11<sup>th</sup> at 10 am and the bid opening will be on May 25<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm. The winning contract will be awarded at the June 1<sup>st</sup> meeting.

Public Works Director Malloy requested that he be included in any discussion regarding the creek on Clark Street.

Mayor Galvan called for a short recess before resuming Executive Session.

# Regular Session:

Councilman Farris made the motion to return to regular session. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.

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

Adjourn: Councilman Thornton made the motion appropriate formula and the motion carried.

Mayor Wathy Stanlow Calvan

Clerk, Sherri Darnell, CMC, NCCMC