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

## **Executive Session:**

Councilman Thornton was absent and excused.

Enter into executive session motion to discuss a personnel matter made by Councilman Farris. Seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion carried.

### Close Executive Session:

Motion made to close executive session made by Councilman Hundley. Seconded by Councilman Farmer. Motion carried.

### **Regular Session:**

**Present:** Present were Mayor Kathy Stanley-Galvan, Councilmen Chuck Hundley, Jerry Smith, Johnny Farmer and Bill Farris. Councilman Henry Thornton was absent and excused. Also, present were Interim Town Manager Perry Webster, Town Clerk Sherri Darnell, Public Works Director Mark Malloy, Police Chief Franklin Moore and Town Attorney Eugene Russell.

**Welcome:** Mayor Galvan welcomed the assembly. After the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation, called the meeting to order. Mayor Galvan stated that during executive session a personnel issue was discussed with no action taken.

**Minutes:** Mayor Galvan asked for a motion to approve the Minutes from the last meeting. Councilman Farris made the motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Hundley seconded. Motion carried.

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

#### **Council Comments:**

Mayor Galvan thanked everyone in attendance and reminded everyone about the Rotary Fall Festival to be held Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. Councilman Farmer expressed his gratitude to Merea Bridges for always putting the flags up downtown and invited everyone to attend the last Cruise In of the year on September 17<sup>th</sup>.

## **New Business:**

**Proclamation in Recognition of Constitution Week:** Clerk Darnell read the proclamation into the record for Mayor Galvan.

**STEM Student Project Idea:** Hannah Cardwell, student at McMichael High School, presented a proposal to plan and design an Arboretum and have it located within the Town. Copy incorporated into the minutes. Consensus of Council to use the Memorial Park and walking trail if Miss Cardwell's teacher approves.

**Consideration to Advertise Public Hearing:** Town Manager Webster asked Council if they wanted to proceed with advertising the public hearing to adopt the Amendment to Ordinance Chapter XV, Building: Construction and Related Activities. Councilman Hundley made the motion to

advertise the public hearing. Councilman Farmer seconded. Motion carried. Copy of proposed amendment incorporated into the minutes.

Water Samples for Lemons, Simpson and N Glenn Streets: Public Works Director Malloy stated that the lab results for water quality issues revealed no problems found. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Construction of New Water Line on Lemons Street: Town Manager Webster and Public Works Director Malloy stated that the new 2 inch water line will be from the 6 inch on E Main to the 6 inch line on Oak Street, and the cost would be approximately \$28,000.00. Town Manager Webster stated that this should be covered with the ARP funds for water/sewer infrastructure. Councilman Smith made the motion to proceed. Councilman Farris seconded. Motion carried.

**Consideration to Purchase Phone System for 107 S. Henry Street:** Town Manager Webster stated that the cost to purchase a phone system for the new Town Hall location would be \$2,378.00. Councilman Farmer made the motion to proceed with the purchase. Councilman Hundley seconded. Motion carried.

**Consideration to Purchase Chrome Books:** Town Manager Webster stated that in order to reduce the paper usage and reduce the time that it takes the Police Department to deliver hard copy packets to Council, he would recommend purchasing Chrome Books for the Council, Attorney and Clerk. The cost would be \$2,200.00 and training would be provided. Councilman Farris made the motion to proceed with the purchase. Councilman Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Consideration to Purchase Point of Sale System for 107 S Henry Street: Town Manager Webster explained that this would be a contactless system between the customers and staff and the same convenience fee would apply that we are charging now. The cost of this system would be \$84.00 per year. Councilman Farmer made the motion to approve this purchase if it also allowed over the phone payments to be applied through it. Councilman Farris seconded. Motion carried.

**Surplus Property:** Town Manager Webster stated that there are 6 cash register safes that we will not need for the Town Hall property and would like to have them deemed surplus. Councilman Hundley made the motion to have these deemed as surplus and sell at the Town Manager's discretion. Councilman Farmer seconded. Motion carried.

**Public Comments:** Jerry Smith stated that Stoneville Elementary School is aging and suggested we invite Dr. Shotwell to a meeting, ask "when is our turn for a new school" or send a resolution to the school board.

#### Old Business:

Park Playground Equipment Update: Councilman Smith stated rather than moving the playground equipment to consider opening up the area. Councilman Smith suggested removing the fencing around the tennis court, clear trees and debris from the entrance and spruce up around the area. Councilman Farmer suggested using the STEM project for a plan. Consensus of Council, Town Manager Webster should get back in touch with Council regarding the price of these changes.

## **Town Report:**

- 1. Town Manager Webster presented the request from Southern Finishing to establish a wood finishing plant at 302 S Henry St. This location is already zoned as Industrial so it would be allowed and up to Southern Finishing to comply with State regulations
- 2. Town Manager Webster stated that Cycle NC will be here on October 4<sup>th</sup>. They will have approximately 600 to 900 cyclists that will be using our Town as a pit stop. The municipal parking lot will be block off on that day for cyclists to park, eat, shop, rest and then continue on to their final destination of the day which is Reidsville Park. We will need extra Police Department personnel on duty that day along with volunteers.
- 3. Town Manager Webster stated that a sewer issue was experienced by a resident and he called a plumber who stated the problem was on the Town and to send us the bill. We have declined the bill because the Town was never contacted regarding the issue.

There were no department head comments.

**Adjourn:** Motion for adjournment was made by Councilman Farris. Seconded by Councilman Hundley. Motion carried.

Mayor, Kathy Stanley-Galyan

Town Clerk, Sherri Darnell, CMC, NCCMC

