

**Stoneville Town Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 16, 2024
7:00 PM – Council Chambers**

Regular Meeting

Present were Mayor Kathy Stanley-Galvan, Council members Johnny Farmer, Curt Bennett, Henry Thornton, Lee Shelton, and Daisy Smith. Also present were Town Administrator Barbara Hollerand, Finance Officer Shannon Tucker, Town Clerk Deleia Hutcherson, Fire Chief Joel Freeman, Parks and Recreation Director Dillon Brown, Public Works Director Byron Curry, and Town Attorney Eugene Russell.

Welcome: Mayor Galvan welcomed the assembly and called the meeting to order after the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation at 7:00pm. She announced the Council met at 5:00pm for Closed Session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a) (3) to Consult with the Town Attorney, (4) Economic Development, and (6) Personnel.

Minutes: Mayor Galvan asked for a motion to approve the Special Meeting Minutes from May 21, 2024, and Regular Meeting Minutes from June 4, 2024. Councilman Thornton made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilwoman Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Agenda: Mayor Galvan asked for a motion to approve the July 16, 2024, agenda with an amendment to remove item 1 under new business - Consideration of \$300.00 annual donation to the Stoneville Community Cemetery. She informed everyone that the speaker on this item was unable to attend the meeting and the item would be moved to the August agenda. Councilman Farmer made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Councilman Bennett seconded. Motion carried.

New Business:

Rezoning Consideration of Case Z-2024-02/Parcel 183318Z1 from Residential Suburban/Residential Agriculture to Residential Suburban/Conditional District (Continued from June 4, 2024, Regular Meeting at the request of the applicant) – Mr. Charles Rakestraw spoke and presented his revised subdivision plans with the main entrance off of Priddy Road instead of Price Street. He informed the Council he had met with many of the neighbors on Price Street and they seemed agreeable to the change. He stated he would answer any questions and also introduced Greg Garrett that works with him on projects. He said he was available to answer any technical questions. Mr. Rakestraw confirmed that NCDOT approved the entrance off of Priddy Road. He also commented on the short public street off of Price Street that will provide access to three homes. Councilman Farmer thanked Mr. Rakestraw for considering the traffic concerns of Price Street residents and for making the entrance change. Mayor Galvan opened up Public Comments for this item.

The following spoke in favor of the project and thanked Mr. Rakestraw for making the entrance change: Dean Ratledge of 350 Price Street, Ann Roodhof of 330 Price Street, and Ed Ford of 325 Price Street. They reiterated their statement from the last meeting that they are not opposed to growth as long as the proper development safeguards are in place.

Councilman Farmer stated that based on the revisions made by Mr. Rakestraw and the recommendation of the planning board, he would like to make a motion. A motion was made by Councilman Farmer to approve the rezoning request for parcel 183318Z1 from residential suburban/residential agriculture to

residential suburban/conditional district. This approval request includes a 30-foot stream buffer, conditional residential setback of 20 feet for front, 15 feet for rear, and language for cul-de-sac lots as presented on the map. Councilwoman Smith seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into minutes.

State and Federal Infrastructure Update - Mr. Bill Lester of LKC Engineering provided an update on current projects and planning efforts being funded by Southeast Crescent Regional Commission, NC OSBM, and NCDEQ. Projects include water booster pump station at Highland Avenue, water system improvements, US 220 & NC 770 water main extension to west side, stormwater system AIA, and wastewater AIA. Councilman Farmer thanked Mr. Lester for the update and for his assistance with grants and projects over the years. Copy incorporated into minutes.

Audit Report for 2022/2023 - Mrs. Judy Rouse of Rouse, Rouse, Rouse & Gardner, LLP reviewed the results of the 2022-2023 fiscal year audit in detail. The full audit is available for review at Town Hall. Copy incorporated into minutes.

Consideration of Resolution R-2024-07 Authorizing the Disposition of Town Property (3 headsets and 1 handheld radio and microphone for GOVDeals and 4 handheld radios and microphones for donation to Station 130 Northwest) – Councilman Farmer made a motion to approve Resolution R-2024-07. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into minutes.

Consideration of Resolution R-2024-08 Authorizing the Town of Stoneville to Engage in Electronic Payments – Councilman Farmer made a motion to approve Resolution R-2024-08. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into minutes.

Consideration to appoint Deleia Hutcherson as Deputy Finance Officer – Councilwoman Smith made a motion to appoint Deleia Hutcherson as Deputy Finance Officer. Councilman Bennett seconded. Motion carried.

Consideration of Disbursement Policy for the Town of Stoneville – Councilman Farmer made a motion to approve the Disbursement Policy for the Town of Stoneville. Councilwoman Smith seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into minutes.

Consideration of Preaudit Policy for the Town of Stoneville – Councilman Farmer made a motion to approve the Preaudit Policy for the Town of Stoneville. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into minutes.

Consideration of Resolution R-2024-09 Accepting American Rescue Plan Act Funds – Councilman Farmer made a motion to approve Resolution R-2024-09. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into minutes.

Consideration to adopt Grant Project Ordinance O-2024-03 for the Town of Stoneville - American Rescue Plan Act of 2021: Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds - Councilman Farmer made a motion to approve Grant Project Ordinance O-2024-03 for the Town of Stoneville as presented by the Finance Officer. Councilwoman Smith seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into minutes.

General Fund Budget Amendments (071624a and 071624b) – Finance Officer Shannon Tucker presented the budget amendments. Councilman Farmer made a motion to approve budget amendments 071624a and 071624b as presented by the Finance Officer. Councilman Bennett seconded. Motion carried. Copies incorporated into minutes.

Old Business: None

Public Comments: None

Town Administrator Report – Town Administrator, Barbara Hollerand provided updates on the water service booster pumps and the Public Works building. She also discussed staffing for the Public Works department. She requested approval to move an existing employee from part-time to full-time and also to leave a full-time position posted for a Public Works technician. Councilman Farmer made a motion to change the employee status of a part-time employee in Public Works to full-time at an expense not to exceed \$25,000 a year and also leave a full-time position posted. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.

Upcoming June events were announced along with the next Council Meeting scheduled for August 6, 2024, at 7:00pm. The Mayor also announced open registration for adult softball and youth baseball and softball.

Mayor Galvan thanked everyone for coming out to the meeting. She asked for a motion to go into recess until July 23, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. She stated the reason was to go back into Closed Session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a) (3) to Consult with the Town Attorney, and (6) Personnel.

Motion to go into recess made by Councilman Thornton. Councilwoman Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Mayor Galvan announced the meeting is recessed until July 23, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. and the meeting will be held in the Council Chambers at 101 Smith Street.

Meeting recessed at 8:45 p.m.

Motion to go out of recess made by Councilman Thornton. Councilwoman Smith seconded. Motion carried.

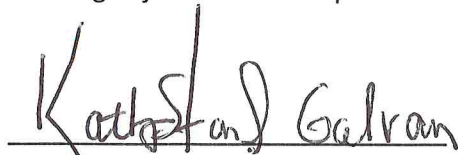
Mayor Galvan asked for a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a) (3) to Consult with the Town Attorney, and (6) Personnel. Motion made by Councilman Bennett. Seconded by Councilman Thornton. Motion carried.

Motion to go out of closed session made by Councilman Thornton. Seconded by Councilwoman Smith. Motion carried.

Mayor Galvan announced the return to open session.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Councilman Thornton. Councilwoman Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.



Mayor, Kathy Stanley-Galvan





Town Clerk, Deleia Hutcherson