

**Stoneville Town Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 2, 2016
7:00 PM**

Present: Present were Mayor Ricky Craddock, Mayor Pro-Tem Chuck Hundley, Councilwoman Lori Armstrong, Councilmen Bill Farris, Henry Thornton, and Jerry Smith.

Also, present were Town Administrator Kenneth Gamble, Human Resource/Finance Officer Joanna Dalton, Town Clerk Sherri Darnell, Police Chief Frank Moore, Police Administrative Assistant Perry Webster, Fire Chief Tim Brown and Town Attorney Travis Martin.

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

Minutes: Mayor Ricky Craddock asked if there were any corrections to the minutes from the last meeting. With no corrections, Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Councilwoman Armstrong made the motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Farris seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Agenda: Mayor Ricky Craddock asked if there were any adjustments to the originally submitted Agenda. Town Administrator Gamble asked to have Item #7 Surplus Property Request and Item #8 State Fire Grant Application added to the Agenda. With those additions, Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to approve the Agenda. Councilman Smith made the motion to approve the Agenda with the additions. Mayor Pro-tem Hundley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business:

Public Comments Policy: Mayor Craddock read the Public Comments Policy and then asked for any comments or questions. After some discussion, Councilman Smith made the motion to change bullet point #3 to read "When multiple speakers are speaking on the same topic, they may yield their minutes to a spokesperson". Councilman Farris seconded the motion. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

ABC Board Report: Mr. Lee Smith, Chairman of the Stoneville ABC Board reported to the Council that the ABC Board cannot commit to opening a store. Mr. Smith stated that after much research it is not an economically feasible option at this time.

Public Hearing: Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to open the public hearing. Councilwoman Armstrong made the motion. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.

Mayor Craddock then asked if there were any questions regarding the change in form of government from Mayor- Council to Council-Manager. With no questions, Mayor Craddock then asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Councilman Smith made the motion to close the public hearing. Councilman Farris seconded. Motion carried.

Approve Council Absence: Mayor Craddock stated that Mayor Pro-tem Hundley had requested to be excused from the April 5, 2016 meeting. Councilman Smith made the motion to approve the absence. Councilwoman Armstrong seconded. Motion carried.

Camera Grant: Police Chief Moore explained that a grant has been submitted to the Governor's Crime Commission to purchase security cameras to be placed in and around the building. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Mayodan Water & Sewer Increase: Town Administrator Gamble informed the Council that we have received letters from the town of Mayodan regarding an increase in both water and sewer rates. These amounts will be absorbed in the remainder of this fiscal year and with the increase of \$3.00 on the base rate for next fiscal year already in place, the Enterprise fund should remain on track. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Surplus Equipment: Fire Chief Brown requested that the old chassis from the squad to be deemed Surplus equipment and sold on Govdeals. Councilman Smith made the motion to deem this equipment surplus and sell on Govdeals. Councilman Thornton seconded the motion. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

State Grant Application: Fire Chief Brown requested that the Fire Department be allowed to apply for the State Grant to obtain pagers and radios for approximately 26,000.00. Chief Brown stated that the grant match would be made up of \$7,000 in current year budget funds and \$6,000 in McMichael grant funds. Councilman Smith made the motion to allow application. Mayor Pro-tem Hundley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

Ms. Kimberly Fay spoke to the Council regarding elder abuse and how her organization is trying to raise awareness.

Mr. Al Robbins spoke about the changes to the website.

Mr. Reece Pyrtle spoke regarding his candidacy for Rockingham County Commissioner.

Ms. Gerri Hunt introduced herself as the new reporter for the News-Record and will be covering our area.

Mr. Johnny Farmer spoke about attendance at meetings, meeting announcements, budget meetings, copies of agendas, and posting of this information.

Old Business:

Fire Siren Update: Town Administrator Gamble stated the Emergency/Fire Siren will be reinstalled soon.

Drainage Ditch: Town Administrator Gamble stated that after this complaint on Haywood St. had been further reviewed, there was no more that could be done by the town.

Town Administrator Report:

Town Administrator Gamble stated that during the recent winter weather event that 50 overtime hours were accumulated and one pallet of salt was used. The emergency water line repairs at the Christian Church on Glenn St. have been completed and there was no damage to the church. We have received a complaint at 120 Lemons Street on a trailer. We have placed a request for grant funds for the family to help with the disposal of the trailer. Economic Development Workshop was rescheduled to February 15, 2016.

Executive Session: Mayor Craddock entertained a motion to enter into Executive Session. Councilman Smith made the motion to enter into Executive Session. Councilwoman Lori Armstrong seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Return to Regular Session:

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

Adjourn: Mayor Craddock asked for a motion for adjournment. Councilwoman Armstrong made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Thornton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Ricky Craddock

Town Clerk Sherri Darnell