

**Stoneville Town Council
Budget Public Hearing &
Meeting Minutes**

**June 20, 2016
6:00 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 Manager Kenneth Gamble, Finance Officer/HR Officer Joanna Dalton, Town Clerk Sherri Darnell, Police Chief Frank Moore, Police Administrative Assistant Perry Webster, Police Captain Brandon Rivera, Public Works Director Mark Malloy and Fire Department Assistant Chief Trey Belton. Town Attorney Travis Martin was absent.

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

Agenda: Mayor Ricky Craddock asked if there were any adjustments to the originally submitted Agenda. With no adjustments, Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to approve the Agenda. Councilwoman Armstrong made the motion to approve the Agenda. Mayor Pro-tem Hundley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business:

Water Bill Adjustment: Mr. James Scales of 113 E. Matthews Street approached Council requesting assistance on his high water bill due to a leak at his home. After some discussion, Councilman Farris made the motion to reduce the bill to \$189.14. Councilwoman Armstrong seconded the motion. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Public Hearing 2016-2017 Budget: Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to open the public hearing for the 2016-2017 budget. Councilman Smith made the motion. Councilwoman Armstrong seconded. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Mr. Johnny Farmer of 104 Pine Cone Drive expressed his concern that the majority of the Town's residents were not aware of the proposed 2 cents ad valorem tax increase as well as the 5 dollar vehicle tax.

With no other public comments, Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to close the public hearing and return to regular session. Councilman Farris made the motion. Mayor Pro-tem Hundley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2016/2017 Budget Ordinance: Town Manager Gamble again covered the proposed budget for 2016/2017 pointing out the major points of interest and the reasons behind the increases. After some comments from councilmembers, Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to adopt this budget and accompanying ordinance. Councilman Smith made the motion. Councilman Farris seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Municipal Vehicle Tax Resolution: Town Manager Gamble stated that this tax is included in the budget however, the County and State require that a resolution be passed. Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to pass this resolution. Mayor Pro-tem Hundley made the motion. Councilwoman Armstrong seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Schedule of 2016/2017 Fees: Town Manager Gamble covered the changes of the Schedule of fees for the 2016/2017 year. With these changes, Mayor Craddock to approve the Schedule of Fees. Councilman Farris made the motion. Councilman Smith seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

2016/2021 CIP: Town Manager Gamble explained that the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is a planning document for the future. This CIP is intended to be a model for what, when and where improvements need to be made; therefore, it can change from time to time. After some discussion, Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to accept this planning document. Councilwoman Armstrong made the motion. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Capital Project Update: Finance Officer Dalton gave the annual reports on the USDA and the Matthews Street Projects. Copy incorporated into the minutes.

Public Comments: Ms. Kimberly Kaye, Legal Nurse Consultant approached Council requesting use of the Stoneville Memorial Park on July 16, 2016 from 10 AM -6PM at no charge in order to host a fundraising event for Hospice of Rockingham County. Ms. Kaye stated that the funds raised will help uninsured Hospice patients. After some discussion, Councilman Smith made the motion to allow the event at no charge. Mayor Pro-tem Hundley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Johnny Farmer of 104 Pine Cone Drive expressed his concerns regarding participation in the Town's Parks & Recreation programs.

Town Manager Report:

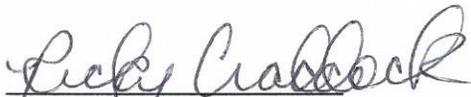
Town Manager Gamble stated that there will be no July meeting. The Matthews Street Project is nearly complete and will come in under budget and the \$9,000.00 will be returned the Fund Balance. The next Cruise-In will be Friday July 18th from 5 -8 PM. The fountain at Friendship Park is not working, however, we have the repairs scheduled and should be back operational in a few days. We have contacted Duke Energy regarding the outside lighting in the parking areas and they will be coming out to install lights June 21st.

Executive Session: Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to enter into executive session. Councilman Farris made the motion. Councilwoman Armstrong seconded. Motion carried.

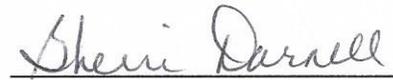
Regular Session: Mayor Craddock asked for a motion to return to regular session. Mayor Pro-tem Hundley made the motion. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.

Mayor Craddock stated that during executive session the Council conferred with attorney and staff in regards to a legal matter. No action was taken.

Adjourn: Mayor Craddock asked for a motion of adjournment. Councilman Farris made the motion. Councilman Thornton seconded. Motion carried.



Mayor Ricky Craddock



Town Clerk Sherri Darnell

