



**Stanley Town Council Regular Meeting
Official Minutes
Monday, August 15, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Stanley Town Council was held on Monday, August 15, 2022 at the Town Hall. The following elected officials and staff were present:

Steven Denton, Mayor
Cathy Kirkland, Mayor Pro-Tem
Bud Pate, Council Member
Chad Jones, Council Member
Leigh Anna Helms, Council Member
Rob McMinn, Council Member

Heath Jenkins, Town Manager
Olga Grishin, Town Clerk
Craig Roseberry, Public Works Director
Derek Summey, Police Chief
Tug Deason, Recreation Director
Kevin Haney, Finance Director
Eric Withers, Fire Chief (absent)
John Russell, Town Attorney
Ashley Price, Fire Department
Elisa Neal, Planning Director

Call to Order:

Mayor Denton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation:

Council Member Pate gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance:

All citizens present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda:

Mayor Denton asked if there was a motion to approve the proposed agenda. Council Member Jones made a motion to approve the agenda, and Council Member McMinn seconded the motion. A vote was held, and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

Mayor Denton asked for a motion to approve the July 11, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes. Mayor Pro-Tem Kirkland made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, and Council Member Pate seconded the motion. A vote was held, and the motion passed unanimously.

Special Presentation:

A. Announce the YOTM Winner - Beautification Committee

Council Member Helms presented a reward to Jenny and Curt Powell for the best summer yard and décor nomination.

B. Appoint Dana Hannafin to the Town of Stanley Beautification Committee

Mayor Denton asked if there was a motion to appoint Dana Hannafin to the Town of Stanley Beautification Committee. Mayor Pro-Tem Kirkland made a motion, and Council Member Helms seconded the motion. A vote was held, and the motion passed unanimously.

Citizen Comments:

Bryan Ballard at 939 Upper Spencer Mtn Rd, addressed the Council regarding his food truck business. He asked the Council and the Town Staff to talk to the business owner directly instead of sending notices to the parcel owner where the food truck is located. Sending a notice to the parcel owner created an issue for Mr. Ballard. When he returned from his vacation, the owner refused the food truck to be placed on their property under the threat of fines. In the future, Mr. Ballard asked the Town to communicate the compliance to the food truck owners in a better manner.

New Business:

A. Adopt Town of Stanley Policies (ARPA Cost Principles Policy, ARPA Eligible Use Police & Nondiscrimination Policy)

Mayor Denton asked if there was a motion to approve above policies. Council Member Jones made a motion to approve the policies presented, and Council Member Helms seconded the motion. A vote was held, and the motion passed unanimously.

B. Approve Budget Amendment 1 to transfer funds related to expenses incurred for the installation of an extension of the town water line down Hickory Grove Rod and installation of a fire hydrant

Mayor Denton asked if there was a motion to approve budget amendment. Council Member Helms made a motion to approve the amendment, and Pro-Tem Kirkland seconded the motion. A vote was held, and the motion passed unanimously.

Department Reports

The Finance report was presented.

The Planning Department report was submitted.

The Public Works report was submitted.

Mayor Denton asked for an update on the water meter installation. Director Roseberry stated the installations were complete, and they were finishing up on a back end.

The Recreation Department report was submitted.

The Fire Department report was submitted.

The Police Department report was submitted. Chief Summey commented that the Town was nominated for the Concert Series Reward.

Council Reports and Comments:

Council Member Pate asked if the Town could reach out to the old mill owners to see if they would be willing to do a water tower beautification (repaint or put a logo).

Manager Jenkins noted that one of the Town's citizen, Miss Mary Cannen celebrated her 99th birthday this month. Staff members went to congratulate her and presented a birthday cake. She did not expect them and was very appreciative.

Council Member McMinn addressed the Manager Jenkins to see what the Towns plans are regarding the Grant recently received, if they were considering to invest them towards water/sewer.

The manager responded that the staff was working with different water/sewer providers to see the options in the future. He also noted that the Town was awarded a direct allocation of \$1.7 million, which was direct funding from the State. That was for the water capital project and not something the Town could put into the general budget to adjust rates. The Town had never received that type of allocation of direct funding before. It Would open up good opportunities for the Town to do positive things in the future.

Pro-Tem Kirkland mentioned that a representative from the Charter School reached out to her regarding the possible installation of the speed bumps at the 4-way stop on Valley St and Ralph Handsel Blvd. Manager Jenkins responded he would reach out to them and advise them on the procedure to petition for the speed bumps installation.

Council Member Jones said it was brought to his attention that people were cutting through behind the Wendy's and if the Town could take some actions. Manager Jenkins said he would follow up with the person on that.

Council Member McMinn brought to Council's attention the poor lighting situation at the Villas retirement community. There are not enough lights, and it gets unsafe for people to walk. He asked who was responsible for the installation. Director Roseberry replied that HOA would need to install extra lights, and then the Town would take over.

Mayor Denton asked for a motion to go into a closed session meeting. Pro-Tem Kirkland made a motion, and Council Member McMinn seconded the motion. A vote was held, and the motion passed unanimously.

Council came out of the closed session meeting at 7:30 PM.

Mayor Denton asked for a motion to adjourn. Mayor Pro-Tem Kirkland made a motion, Council Member Jones seconded the motion. A vote was held, and the motion passed unanimously to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted:

Steven Denton – Mayor

(OFFICIAL TOWN SEAL)

Heath Jenkins – Town Manager

Olga Grishin - Town Clerk