



**Stanley Town Council Meeting
Official Minutes
Monday, August 1, 2016**

The regular monthly meeting of the Stanley Town Council was held on Monday, August 1, 2016 in the Stanley Town Hall Council Chambers. The following elected officials and staff were present:

Andrew Quinley, Mayor
Danny Sparrow, Mayor Pro-tem
Bud Pate, Council Member
Cathy Kirkland, Council Member
Rob McMinn, Council Member
Kerry Hart, Council Member

Jim Windham, Town Attorney
Heath Jenkins, Town Manager
Craig Roseberry, Public Works Director
Will Keller, Fire Department
Catherine Greder, Town Clerk
Tug Deason, Recreation Director
Derek Summey, Police Chief

Call to Order:

Mayor Quinley called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Invocation:

Council Member Bud Pate gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance:

All citizens present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda:

Council Member Cathy Kirkland made a motion to accept the agenda and Council Member Kerry Hart seconded the motion. A vote was held and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

Mayor Quinley asked for a motion to accept the July 5, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes. Mayor Pro-Tem Danny Sparrow made a motion to accept the minutes and Council Member Cathy Kirkland seconded the motion. A vote was held the motion passed unanimously.

Citizen Comments & Presentations:

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- A. Citizen Comments** – Mayor Quinley asked if there were any citizen comments, there were none.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

A. Appointment of Derek Summey as Chief of Police

Manager Jenkins explained that Derek Summey has been acting as Interim Chief. Chief Summey has been with the Stanley Police Department since 1997, has a great deal of training, has led the department through several drug round-ups, has been recognized for the life-saving efforts of a small child, obtained his Advanced Law Enforcement Certificate, and been an asset to the department. Manager Jenkins stated that he is asking for a vote of confidence from the Council to support his recommendation to make Derek Summey Chief of Police.

Mayor Quinley asked for a motion to appoint Derek Summey as Chief of Police. Council Member Kerry Hart made the motion and Council Member Rob McMinn seconded the motion. A vote was held and the motion passed unanimously.

B. Yard of the Month

Mayor Quinley announced that the July Yard of the Month winner was Lisa and Rod Jones of 2000 Lee Ellen Court.

C. Set Date for September Regular Meeting

Due to the holiday, the September Regular Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at 6:00 pm at Town Hall located at 114 S Main Street.

Citizen Comments: Mayor Quinley asked if there were any other comments.

Jack Bentley of 103 Old Mt Holly Road addressed the Council regarding a noise violation ticket that was issued to Joseph Poteat. Mr. Bentley stated that four officers responded to the neighbor's complaint of loud music at Mr. Poteat's home. Mr. Bentley stated that there were two additional witnesses in the audience and Mr. Poteat's has ADT surveillance that recorded the music and the police response to the situation. Mr. Bentley then asked Town Attorney Jim Windham if he thought that this was a reasonable police response. Mr. Windham stated that he could not comment on that but he was sure they Council would take his statement into consideration.

Doris Cope of Hickory Grove Road addressed the Council regarding the restoration of tombstones at the cemetery. Manager Jenkins stated that the Town does not own the cemetery so she would not need Council permission for the project but that he believes it is a

very good thing for Ms. Cope to inform the Town Council. Ms. Cope stated that the possible date for the community to come together and work on clean-up and restoration would be October 15, 2016. Ms. Cope stated that there are over 1,100 people buried there. Mayor Quinley asked what time the event would take place. Ms. Cope stated that she was not sure what time it would start, but it would be an all-day event. Mayor Quinley asked if the Boy Scouts were still going to present to the Council. Ms. Cope stated that they were. Ms. Cope asked if she needed anything from the Council for fundraising. Manager Jenkins asked Tug Deason to explain permitting for food. Mr. Deason stated that they may need to go to the Health Department.

Department Reports:

Finance Department: Council Member Rob McMinn asked when audited results would be available. Finance Director Donna Hulseley responded that the data would be available when the audit is completed sometime around December. Council Member McMinn asked if Council could see the raw, unaudited data from our software as a reference. Ms. Hulseley and Town Manager Jenkins stated that reports could be generated as requested.

Public Works: Public Works Director Craig Roseberry addressed the Council stating that Public Works is scraping sidewalks. Daniel Hendrix has sent out all backflow letters for non-compliance. Alex Stewart has met with Marty Wilson from the NC Rural Water Association to update the Town's water maintenance systems. Public Works hired Robbie Small to fill a vacancy in the department.

There were a few leaks: Walkinghorse Run replaced 35 feet, had done several repairs and now went ahead and replaced. Kelly's Landing water main break was repaired that evening and reported via the Town's Facebook page. Mr. Roseberry stated that Town Hall received compliments on the Public Works Department and the job they did in Kelly's Landing. Mr. Roseberry thanked Steve Mason and his crew for being out so quickly. Mr. Roseberry thanked Don Ritter, Kevin Barks and Damon Sanders for staying late and working until this was fixed. There was also a faulty gate valve at the water treatment plant. Additionally, a repair was made on Durham Road.

Mayor Quinley asked if there is a policy in place where employees inspect line installation. Mr. Roseberry stated that we inspect all lines and taps before they are covered up. Mr. Roseberry thanked the office staff for handling all the phone calls and questions from residents.

Mayor Quinley asked if we announced the Kelly's Landing issue via Blackboard. Manager Jenkins stated that many times this creates more calls to Town Hall. Mr. Roseberry stated that he and Town Clerk Catherine Greder discussed announcing via Blackboard but due to the level

of calls already received and the communication among residents and the Kelly's Landing HOA, they decided against sending a Blackboard.

Recreation: Recreation Director Tug Deason stated that the Dixie Youth Tournament brought a great amount of business to county hotels. Stanley was an undefeated team going into the championship but did not advance to the World Series. Mr. Deason stated that Police Chief Summey was the coach for that team. Mr. Deason stated that the fireworks celebration in July was impacted by the weather. Country Fest is scheduled for October 1st with the carnival the day before. Manager Jenkins asked if Mr. Deason has hosted the Dixie Youth Tournament three out of four years. Mr. Deason confirmed and stated that when he was at another tournament out-of-town he received many compliments on the way that Stanley's programs are operated.

Police: Chief Summey thanked the Council for their confidence in him as Police Chief. He also thanked Manager Jenkins for his assistance throughout his career. Chief Summey also thanked the previous Chief, Council and Mayor. Chief Summey shared with the Council that in light of recent attacks on Law Enforcement, the Stanley Police Department has received an overwhelming amount of love and support in thank-you, treats, armbands, crosses and cards.

Fire: Chief Keller stated that they had enough volunteers and staff on-hand for the fireworks celebration last month and that they also responded to calls that evening due to the weather. Chief Keller also stated that they have a new Fire Safety Program to educate citizens. Chief Keller explained that the differences in times on the monthly reports are due to dispatch and the storms in July causing the County to be busy and not report times accurately.

Manager's Report - Manager Jenkins spoke about the Stanley Middle School groundbreaking ceremony and thanked Council Woman Kirkland for speaking at the event. Manager Jenkins stated that he met with Gaston County Schools Superintendent, Mr. Booker and that Mr. Booker stated the turnout at the groundbreaking was greater than they usually have. Mr. Booker also complimented Tug Deason on how he handles events. Manager Jenkins thanked Mayor Pro-Tem Sparrow for recommending releasing ABC information to the press regarding the ballot items. Manager Jenkins explained that the articles are positive and spoke about a restaurant in Gastonia that has to purchase a full license rather than beer and wine only.

Manager Jenkins referred to Town Clerk Catherine Greder who spoke about the Summer Reading Program hosted by the Stanley Library which had a visit from Sir Purr, the Carolina Panthers mascot. Sir Purr came and acted out a story for the children who really loved his visit. Manager Jenkins congratulated Chief Summey and stated that it is always great to see those whom you have worked with be promoted. Manager Jenkins recognized the rest of his staff for doing everything as he asks and quickly.

Manager Jenkins stated that he visited the Fire Department and discussed some of their issues. Manager Jenkins complimented Chief Keller for the good job he does.

Manager Jenkins also complimented Craig Roseberry on the job his team did at Kelly's Landing. Manager Jenkins also thanked everyone that participated in his 30-year celebration.

Council Comments - Council Member Bud Pate stated that he has seen "track hoes" in many small towns and that the Town should consider planning ahead to purchase one of these for the many times that a full-size tractor makes a job more difficult.

Mayor Pro-Tem Danny Sparrow congratulated Chief Summey and Town Manager Jenkins on the end of their Interim status. Mayor Pro-Tem Sparrow stated that he attended the MPO meeting where there was a great deal of support for the Catawba Crossings project.

Manager Jenkins stated that there were a few things that Council asked for updates on during the last meeting. He stated that the paving on E Chestnut has been completed.

Mayor Pro-Tem Sparrow asked if Manager Jenkins has heard anything further about the voting location for November. Manager Jenkins stated that he was thanked for his recommendation of moving the location to a church in Town but has not heard anything further. Manager Jenkins stated that he would touch base with the Board of Elections in the morning and follow-up.

Mayor Quinley wished a Happy Birthday to Bud Pate and thanked Mayor Pro-Tem Sparrow for attending Manager Jenkins 30-Year Celebration. He also thanked Council Member Kirkland for speaking at the groundbreaking ceremony.

Mayor Quinley thanked the staff for the new TV setup, displaying a PowerPoint of the agenda for the audience. He also thanked Tug Deason for his exceptional fireworks show celebrating the fourth of July.

Manager Jenkins stated that a donation was received in the amount of \$50,000 from the Community Foundation for the gymnasium project. Manager Jenkins recognized Mr. Deason for his fundraising efforts.

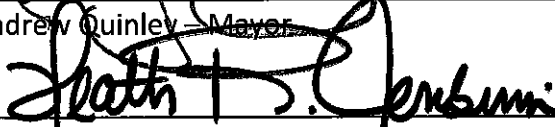
Adjournment of regular meeting:

Mayor Quinley asked if there was a motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Council Member Cathy Kirkland made the motion and Mayor Pro-Tem Danny Sparrow seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:



Andrew Quinley - Mayor



Heath Jenkins - Town Manager



Catherine Greder - Town Clerk

