



**Stanley Town Council Meeting
Official Minutes
Monday, November 6, 2017**

The regular monthly meeting of the Stanley Town Council was held on Monday, November 6, 2017 in the Stanley Town Hall Council Chambers. The following elected officials and staff were present:

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

Jim Windham, Town Attorney
Heath Jenkins, Town Manager
Catherine Greder, Town Clerk
Derek Summey, Police Chief
Olivia Smith, Finance Director
Will Keller, Fire Chief

Call to Order:

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

Invocation:

Council Member Rob McMinn gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance:

All citizens present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda:

Mayor Quinley stated that item D was added to New Business – Capital Project Ordinance - CDBG

Mayor Quinley asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Council Member Cathy Kirkland made a motion to accept the agenda and Council Member Rob McMinn seconded the motion. A vote was held and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

Mayor Quinley asked for a motion to accept the October 2, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes. Council Member Kerry Hart 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: Mayor Quinley asked if there were any citizen comments related to the agenda items. There were none.

Old Business:

A. Downtown Development Presentation from Auggie Wong

Town Consultant Auggie Wong addressed the Council and the audience regarding the Downtown Development Workshop that was held in October. Mr. Wong provided sketches of possible changes to the Main Street area of Stanley, presented survey results from the workshop identifying visual preferences for future upgrades and addressed potential improvements to parking and entertainment areas.

B. Brunch Bill

Manager Jenkins explained that when the Brunch Bill was introduced, the Town was under the impression that this was an impact on restaurants of which we did not have. Manager Jenkins explained that he has had discussion with local grocery store managers and it has been brought to his attention that the Brunch Bill will also allow grocers to sell beer and wine earlier. Manager Jenkins explained that not selling at the same time as other grocery stores in the County has had a negative impact on sales for our grocers and that the missing sales are not just beer and wine but other groceries, as well.

Mayor Quinley asked for a motion to adopt the Brunch Bill Resolution. Mayor Pro-Tem Danny Sparrow made a motion to accept the minutes and Council Member Kerry Hart seconded the motion. A vote was held the motion passed unanimously.

C. Welcome to Stanley Signs

Manager Jenkins explained that the staff has been working to obtain quotes from multiple companies and has determined the presented sign is the most feasible option. Mayor Quinley expressed his reasoning for wanting to update the signs as the Town makes significant effort to make other improvements. The Council directed Manager Jenkins to move forward with the signs.

New Business:

A. Resolution to Approve Financing Terms

Manager Jenkins explained that the Resolution is required by BB&T to finance vehicles. Manager Jenkins further explained that the vehicles being purchased are those approved in the FY 17-18 Budget.

Mayor Quinley asked for a motion to adopt the Resolution. Council Member Cathy Kirkland made a motion to accept the minutes and Council Member Bud Pate seconded the motion. A vote was held the motion passed unanimously.

B. Wastewater Pretreatment Program Operations Agreement

Mayor Quinley explained that we have signed this agreement before and this is just an update.

Mayor Quinley asked for a motion to approve the Agreement. Council Member Kerry Hart made a motion to accept the agreement and Mayor Pro-Tem Danny Sparrow seconded the motion. A vote was held the motion passed unanimously.

C. SECU ATM Machine

Manager Jenkins explained that he and the Clerk had long been discussing locating an ATM machine in Town. Manager Jenkins explained that the new Town Hall would provide a safe, recorded location for an ATM machine. The Clerk explained that this would be a benefit to the public as SECU does not charge fees and citizens and customers would be able to just go outside to an ATM when necessary, instead of leaving and coming back. Manager Jenkins explained that he had some more questions for SECU and he would provide updates to the Council as applicable.

D. Capital Project Ordinance – CDBG

The Clerk explained that the CDBG Grant Administrator requested a Capital Project Ordinance now, rather than waiting until construction is bid out. The Clerk explained that this is another item that is required as a recipient of the CDBG.

Mayor Quinley asked for a motion to approve the Agreement. Council Member Cathy Kirkland made a motion to adopt the Ordinance and Council Member Rob McMinn seconded the motion. A vote was held the motion passed unanimously.

Citizen Comments:

Ted Alexander – Mr. Alexander addressed the Council and introduced himself as a candidate for Senate in the Republican Primary of 2018. Mr. Alexander stated that he has served as Mayor of Shelby for many years and has a long-time career in economic development. Mr. Alexander stated his desire to help the Town and surrounding areas in any way he can. Mr. Alexander expressed interest in hearing from the Council on ideas and concerns. Mr. Alexander then explained that he works with Preservation North Carolina and is always willing to help with the revitalization efforts of the Town.

Gary Jenkins – 162 Walking Horse Run: Mr. Gary Jenkins addressed the Council regarding a problem with his sewer. Mr. Jenkins stated that he has received a large bill for repairing the sewer at his property. He stated that neighbors were also affected. Mr. Jenkins stated that the sewer line was cut many years ago. Mayor Quinley asked for clarification that the repairs were made twenty years ago. Mr. Jenkins said the repairs that were made were thin-wall PVC pipe. Mr. Jenkins provided pictures to the Council. Mayor Quinley asked for clarification on the pictures. Mr. Jenkins explained that he and his neighbors do not feel responsible for the repairs. Mayor Quinley explained that he received an email from Mr. Gary Jenkins on Friday afternoon.

Mayor Quinley further explained that he would, with the staff, look into the issue but could not provide any answers this evening as he would need to research. Manager Heath Jenkins explained that he provided a report to the Council that reflects that the Town does not use the pipe that was used to fix the pipe at Mr. G. Jenkins' property and therefore, he has no reason to believe that the Town was the one to make the repair twenty years ago. Mr. Roseberry explained that the Town does not use the material that was used to replace the line. Manager Jenkins stated that he has nothing against Mr. G. Jenkins' and that lateral lines that are not the Town of Stanley's cannot be the responsibility of the Town because there have been other instances where residents have had similar issues and the Town cannot be financially responsible for all or for some and not others, using taxpayer dollars. Manager Jenkins stated that he would be happy to follow Council direction if they wish for him to further investigate. Council Member Rob McMinn asked that the staff pull permits to verify. Manager Jenkins stated that these issues no longer occur because there are now taps straight to the main line, rather than lateral lines. Mayor Quinley stated that Mr. Jenkins is alleging that the Town repaired the line twenty years ago with improper material and four to five years ago the line began collapsing. Mr. Roseberry stated that he and Mr. Ritter had investigated the situation many times and explained their findings to the Council. Mayor Quinley told Mr. Jenkins that he does not believe he would receive any funding tonight due to the time that has elapsed since the repair was made. Mayor Quinley stated that he could not advise the Council to provide funding for the repair with the facts as presented. Council Member Cathy Kirkland asked Manager Jenkins to investigate further. Council Member Rob McMinn asked Manager Jenkins to determine if there are any records on permits or tap fees.

Jeraline Truesdale – 617 S Main Street: Ms. Truesdale stated that she lives across from the Rescue Department and there is no American flag flying and that the NC flag flying is in poor condition. Manager Jenkins stated that the entity is owned by a separate 501(c)(3) and that we would help them. Ms. Truesdale also recognized Recreation Director Tug Deason for all of his efforts to make the Town a great place.

Geraldine Burrell – 407 S Buckoak Street: Ms. Burrell stated that she has problems with flooding as water runs heavily through her yard. Manager Jenkins stated that Mr. Roseberry would go out and take a look and see if there is anything the Town can do to identify the issues causing so much water to run through Ms. Burrell's yard.

Jim Flanders – 104 Johnsbury Drive: Mr. Flanders thanked the Council for their effort to improve Downtown Stanley and explained some of the challenges the Town has had in the past. Mr. Flanders expressed interest in not having so many wires above ground. Manager Jenkins recognized Mr. Flanders for his previous efforts to obtain funding for the Downtown area.

Larry Mull – 120 E Parkwood Street: Mr. Mull thanked the Council for addressing the concerns he shared last month. Council Member Cathy Kirkland expressed it was a shared effort and thanked Tug for his assistance.

Department Reports:

Finance Department: The financial reports were provided to the Council. Mayor Quinley recognized the Finance Director for an excellent job and stated that the finances look better than ever before.

Public Works: Mr. Roseberry had no further report.

Recreation: Mr. Deason had no further report.

Fire: Chief Keller had no further report.

Police: Chief Summey had no further report.

Manager's Report: Manager Jenkins shared concern over security and safety at Kiser Elementary.

Council Comments:

Mayor Quinley asked about the railroad right-of-way parking issue. Manager Jenkins explained that it would be up to the railroad.

Mayor Quinley asked about leaf pick-up. Mr. Roseberry stated that he is hiring two part-time, temporary personnel to provide assistance with leaf pick up.

Mayor Quinley thanked the Manager for the temporary sign placed at Town Hall. Manager Jenkins explained that the staff is working on a permanent sign.

Manager Jenkins asked the Council to make a decision on a future meeting location. The Council determined that the December meeting would take place in the old Town Hall and that the Council would re-evaluate at the December meeting.

Adjournment of regular meeting:

Mayor Quinley asked if there was a motion to adjourn. Council Member Cathy Kirkland made the motion. Council Member Bud Pate seconded the motion. A vote was held and the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Andrew Quinley – Mayor

Heath Jenkins – Town Manager

Catherine Greder - Town Clerk

