



**Stanley Town Council Meeting
Official Minutes
Monday, August 6, 2018**

The regular monthly meeting of the Stanley Town Council was held on Monday, August 6, 2018 at Stanley Middle School. The following elected officials and staff were present:

Steven Denton, Mayor
Cathy Kirkland, Mayor Pro-Tem
Rob McMinn, Council Member
Kerry Hart, Council Member
Bud Pate, Council Member
Danny Sparrow, Council Member

Jim Windham, Town Attorney
Heath Jenkins, Town Manager
Craig Roseberry, Public Works Director
Olivia Smith, Finance Director
Will Keller, Fire Chief
Derek Summey, Police Chief

Call to Order:

Mayor Denton called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Invocation:

Council Member Bud Pate gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance:

All citizens present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda:

Mayor Denton asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Town Clerk, Catherine Greder stated that Manager Jenkins would like to add a resolution to the agenda for consideration. Mayor Denton added item B under New Business – Resolution to Dispose of Property by Private Sale under \$1,500. Mayor Denton asked if there was a motion to approve the agenda. Mayor Pro-Tem Cathy Kirkland made a motion to accept the agenda and Council Member Bud Pate seconded the motion. A vote was held and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

Mayor Denton asked for a motion to accept the July 9, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes. Council Members McMinn and Hart notated a typo in Council Member McMinn's name on page one. Council Member Rob McMinn made a motion to accept the minutes with the changes in titles and Council Member Danny Sparrow seconded the motion. A vote was held the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

A. Continued - Intent to Close a Portion of General Pemberton and General A.S. Johnston Streets

Mayor Denton continued the Public Hearing from the previous meeting. Mayor Denton asked if there were any additional public comments regarding the topic. There were none.

Mayor Denton asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Mayor Pro-Tem Cathy Kirkland made the motion. Council Member Kerry Hart seconded the motion. A vote was held and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Denton stated that at the current time he is not prepared to ask for a motion. He stated that further research needs to be completed and additional options to consider. He stated that when the Council is ready to make a decision, we will revisit the topic.

New Business:

A. Revision to Personnel Policy – Employee Accident Protocol

Mayor Denton asked if there was a motion to approve the revision as presented. Council Member Danny Sparrow made the motion. Council Member Kerry Hart seconded the motion. A vote was held and the motion passed unanimously.

B. Resolution to Dispose of Property by Private Sale under \$1,500

Manager Jenkins explained that when the Town has old police vehicles, public works vehicles, etc. the staff would like the opportunity to try and sell the items outright, rather than go through the bidding process. He explained that the staff would still have to abide by general statute for these transactions.

Mayor Denton asked for a motion to approve the resolution. Mayor Pro-Tem Cathy Kirkland made the motion. Council Member Kerry Hart seconded the motion. A vote was held and the motion passed unanimously.

Special Presentations:

James Cromartie – Catherine Greder introduced Mr. Cromartie and explained that other area municipalities and counties have recently partnered with Enterprise Government Leasing Program to address age and maintenance costs within their fleets. Mr. Cromartie explained that the program works to make strategic purchases and sales. He stated that the model identifies the right time to get out of a vehicle with equity, while reducing the payments on the vehicle(s). He provided a sample analysis based on the ten most needed

replacements. He explained that Enterprise can help address fuel and maintenance costs as a result of participation in the program, keeping the fleet new will reduce costs long-term. Mr. Cromartie explained that Enterprise will do a lease on each vehicle individually and there is no obligation to purchase multiple vehicles.

Citizen Comments:

Mayor Denton asked if there were any citizen comments. There were none.

Department Reports:

Finance Department: Mayor Denton explained that the financials were provided.

Public Works: Mr. Roseberry had no further report.

Recreation: Mr. Deason was not present. Chief Summey spoke on behalf of the 8U Allstars. He stated they went 3-2 in the championship bracket. He stated that the kids had an awesome experience. Mayor Denton stated that the team was undefeated in the state tournament. They represented Stanley and all of North Carolina in the world series. Manager Jenkins stated that the Town received a very nice letter from Congressman McHenry congratulating the team.

Fire: Mayor Denton asked about nighttime staffing. He stated that he knows it is still an issue. Council Member Sparrow asked about certification and how long it would take an individual working full-time to complete the certification. Chief Keller stated that there have not been any recent applications from individuals that work full-time. He stated that one individual who works part-time was able to complete the training in 6-8 months. He also stated that the department did bring on one new volunteer who is in school and working part-time and is very motivated to complete the certifications. Chief Keller stated he would like to have the trainings completed as soon as possible, but the department standard request is to be working toward the certifications within two years. He stated that the department uses individuals that aren't certified as well, but they cannot enter buildings. Mayor Denton asked about ISO ratings. Chief Keller stated that the department is working with a consultant to prepare for the true ISO inspection. He stated that the last ISO inspection was in 2010 but no official notification of the next inspection has been received. He stated that it is possible the department could score a two, which would reduce the costs of commercial business insurance greatly. Manager Jenkins asked if outside of the personnel issue the Chief saw any major stumbling blocks. Chief Keller stated that the feedback from the consultant is all positive except for the staffing troubles. Mayor Denton stated that he knows that the potential reduction in the ISO rating is a result of the work that Chief Keller and Deputy Chief Hullett. Chief Keller stated that he has a great team that contribute to the department's success.

Police: Chief Summey had no report.

Manager's Report: Manager Jenkins discussed his written report. He stated that he has completed a grant application for a sidewalk from Harper Park to Highway 27.

He stated that the Town partnered with Kiser Elementary to discuss the school system and what impact the different levels of schools has on the community, regarding people moving to our community based on the schools. He thanked the Mayor, Police and Fire departments for coming. He stated that Representative Torbett was there as well.

Manager Jenkins stated that the Town received a letter from NCDOT and he completed a survey, per their request. The survey was regarding ADA compliance.

Manager Jenkins reiterated his congratulations to everyone involved in Dixie Youth.

He stated that the developer of Arbordale is moving forward. This will be three phases and a total of 229 homes. The parcel reaches from Highway 27 to Old NC 27 with the third phase being the Old 27 side.

He stated that he has been in discussions with the buyer of the DSM building. They have additional meetings scheduled to facilitate incentives for locating the facility in Stanley.

Manager Jenkins explained that there have been a few complaints regarding Phase II and an odor. The engineers from Phase II are looking into options for mitigating the odor.

Manager Jenkins explained that the Town has paved a portion of roadway behind the Family Life Center at the Lutheran Church. He explained that the roadway comes out across from Mclurd. Based upon the distance, it was more beneficial for the Town to pave this area and complete the circle, rather than maintain the dirt patch. He explained that this provides an easier and safer way for the funeral processions to get around the circle.

He discussed some complaints from W Parkwood regarding water. He stated that a complaint was made to the state and there was a slight elevation in iron. He explained that the Town is addressing the issue. He and Public Works Director Craig Roseberry are working to reallocate funds to address the issue. These lines are extremely old, with homes in the area dating back to the 1930's. Mr. Roseberry explained that there is no issue with water quality, this is simply a slight elevation in iron but there is no concern over water quality.

Manager Jenkins explained that he attended a lunch with Congressmen McHenry today and that there is an exciting opportunity for investors that are willing to invest for a certain number of years in different areas of the Country deemed to be in need of investment.

Mayor Denton asked about storm water fees. Manager Jenkins explained that Lowell is going through this process from the beginning and we will piggy back on some of the information that they are uncovering via their consultant and will reevaluate our fee structure and Manager Jenkins will have that information ready by January.

Council Comments: Council Member McMinn asked about the issues on Parkwood and if that was anywhere near Thompson. Manager Jenkins explained that it is not and that the issue at Thompson has been taken care of by a loop line that allows flow from both sides. Mr. Roseberry stated that the customer is satisfied and seeing better water quality.

Adjournment:

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

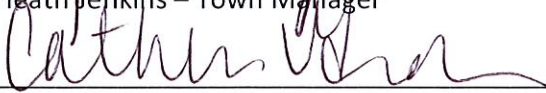
Respectfully Submitted:



Steven Denton - Mayor



Heath Jenkins - Town Manager



Catherine Greder - Town Clerk

