



**Stanley Town Council Meeting
Official Minutes
Monday, January 7, 2019**

The regular monthly meeting of the Stanley Town Council was held on Monday, January 7, 2019 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
Tug Deason, Recreation Director
Olivia Smith, Finance Director
Derek Summey, Police Chief
Michael Hullett, Interim Fire Chief
Craig Roseberry, Public Works Director

Call to Order:

Mayor Denton 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 Denton asked if there was a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

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

Approval of Minutes:

Mayor Denton asked for a motion to accept the December 3, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Mayor Pro-Tem Cathy Kirkland made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Council Member Bud Pate seconded the motion. A vote was held and the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

NONE

New Business:

A. Approval of Lisa Grice to Stanley Total Living Center Board

Mayor Denton asked if there was any discussion.

Mayor Denton asked for a motion to approve Lisa Grice to the Stanley Total Living Center Board. Council Member Karry Hart made a motion. Council Member Rob McMinn seconded the motion. A vote was held and the motion passed unanimously.

B. Adoption of 2019 Regular Council Meeting Calendar

The Council discussed the proposed meeting dates. All meetings will take place on the first Monday of the month, except September which falls on a holiday. The September meeting will take place on the second Monday. A copy of the meeting schedule is available in the lobby at Town Hall and on the Town website.

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

C. Water Shortage Plan Resolution

Public Works Director Craig Roseberry explained to the Council that the Water Shortage Plan needed to be updated with the current Town Manager and Public Works Director's information. The plan was updated and the Council needs to adopt a resolution supporting the changes.

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

Special Presentation: None

Citizens Comments:

1. Michael Crisp of 3105 John Calvin Court – Mr. Crisp stated that he has concerns about the ISO ratings. Mr. Crisp also asked the Council what their non-negotiables would be. He asked about the Water Shortage Plan and what the communication to businesses would be if there was a water shortage issue. He explained that citizens need to be more involved and he plans to start attending the meetings.
2. Geri Burrell of 407 S Buckoak Street – Ms. Burrell recognized the Town for the beautiful Christmas decorations and said she enjoyed the tree lighting ceremony.

Department Reports:

Finance Department: Mayor Denton stated that the financial reports were provided. Mayor Denton asked when the auditors would be presenting their report. Olivia Smith, Finance Director, stated that they should be presenting at the February meeting.

Public Works: Mr. Roseberry had no further report.

Recreation: Mr. Deason had no further report. Mayor Denton asked about the Town Hall expansion. Mr. Deason stated that everything is in order, he should have bids back soon and will follow up with Council to choose how they would like to proceed.

Fire: Fire reports were provided. Interim Chief Hullett thanked the Council for providing night-time staffing with the money reallocated from Police to Fire. Interim Chief Hullett stated that the firefighters are appreciative of the staffing support.

Police: Chief Summey had no report.

Manager's Report: Manager Jenkins reviewed his written report discussing: Gaston County Commissioner's Update including County resolutions and agreements that effect the Town of Stanley.

The proposed 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Budget Schedule – Council will hear budget presentations at the March and April regular meetings. At the April 2019 meeting, Council should provide all feedback on changes and adjustments to the Manager and department heads. The Manager will present a revised budget at the May 2019 regular meeting which will be presented for adoption at the June 2019 regular meeting.

Manager Jenkins attended the Charlotte Regional Business Alliance meeting.

The Town has started conducting interviews for the next Fire Chief. Manager Jenkins stated that he intends to have a job offer out by February 1, 2019.

The Town will undergo the first Community Development Block Grant audit on January 10, 2019. They will review all records to date for compliance.


Manager Jenkins met with Captain Brent Roberts of the Gaston County Police Department and completed a survey for Gaston Together.

Council Comments: Council Member Kerry Hart recognized Officer Van Dyke for reading to children at Springfield Elementary. She stated that Officer Van Dyke was searching for a way to connect with the kids and made the effort to read to them on his own. She appreciated this very much.

Mayor Denton asked for a motion to go into closed session under attorney-client privilege. Council Member Danny Sparrow made the motion. Council Member Rob McMinn seconded the motion. A vote was held and the motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment: Council Member Rob McMinn made a motion to adjourn the regular session of the Council meeting. Council Member Bud Pate 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

