

**MINUTES OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE
TOWN OF STALLINGS, NORTH CAROLINA**

The Town Council of the Town of Stallings met for its regular meeting on November 24, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Stallings Government Center, 321 Stallings Road, Stallings, North Carolina.

Those present were: Mayor Wyatt Dunn; Mayor Pro Tempore David Scholl; Council Members Steven Ayers, Graham Hall, and Brad Richardson.

Those absent were: Council Members Taylor-Rae Drake and Laurie Wojtowicz.

Staff present were: Alex Sewell, Town Manager; Erinn Nichols, Assistant Town Manager/Town Clerk; Chief Dennis Franks; Max Hsiang, Planning Director; Kevin Parker, Engineering Director; Jessie Williams, Finance Officer; and Mac McCarley, Planning Attorney.

Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance and meeting called to order

Mayor Wyatt Dunn welcomed everyone to the meeting and then delivered the invocation.

Mayor Dunn then led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order.

Public Comments

No was present to give public comment.

Consent Agenda

A. Minutes from the following meetings:

(1) 10-27-2025

B. 2026 Budget Schedule

C. Employee Holiday Bonus

D. Municipal Bridge Inspection Agreement with NCDOT

Mayor Dunn requested moving Consent Agenda Item 1.C., *Employee Holiday Bonus*, to the regular Agenda as Item 3.A. Council Member Ayers then made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the change above. The motion was seconded by Council Member Richardson and then passed unanimously by Council.

1. Reports

A. Report from Mayor

Mayor Dunn reported on a town in California had banned pickle ball due to noise at any public park.

B. Report from Council Members/Town Committees

Council Member Hall had no report.

Council Member Ayers reported that he was not able to attend the WUMA meeting last month. He also thanked the Police Department for inviting the Council to training.

Council Member Scholl reported that he represented Stallings at the Centralina Regional Council meeting and attended the Union Chamber's legislative luncheon and the Union County Council on Aging Breakfast. He also thanked the Police Department for inviting the Council to training.

Council Member Richardson had no report.

C. Report from Town Manager/Town Departments

Town Manager Sewell reported on the following:

- Budget Line Items Transfer List – The October 2025 *Budget Line Item Transfer List* is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.
- The Parks and Recreation Event Calendar would be reviewed at the next meeting.
- Chief Franks explained that Stallings Police Department worked with North Carolina Alcohol Law Enforcement the nuisance abatement case at 708 Pine Cliff was closed on November 7. The house was already listed for sale.

2. Agenda Approval

Town Manager Sewell requested removing Agenda Item 5, *Splash Pad Potential Contract Award*, until the next meeting due to staff illness and adding Agenda Item 4.A., *IT Infrastructure Improvements*. Council Member Richardson requested adding Consent Agenda Item 1.C., *Employee Holiday Bonus*, as Agenda Item 3.A.

Council Member Richardson made the motion to approve the Agenda with the changes above. The motion was seconded by Council Member Scholl and passed unanimously.

3.A. Employee Holiday Bonus

Original Agenda Item 1.C.

Mayor Dunn requested the Council consider increasing the Employee Holiday Bonus to \$200 for full-time employees and \$100 for part-time employees. Town Manager Sewell noted that increase would be a total cost of \$3100.

Council Member Richardson made the motion to approve an increase in the Employee Holiday Bonus as outlined above by Mayor Dunn. The second was made by Council Member Scholl. Council approved the motion unanimously.

3. Annexation 59 – Chestnut Lane: Resolution to Investigate

Assistant Town Manager Nichols presented Council with a resolution directing the Clerk to investigate an annexation petition the Town received on Chestnut Lane.

Council Member Ayers made the motion to adopt the Resolution to Investigate for Annexation 59 – Chestnut Lane. The motion was passed unanimously by Council after a second from Council Member Scholl. The *Resolution to Investigate for Annexation 59 – Chestnut Lane* is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.

4.A. IT Infrastructure Improvements

Engineering Director Parker explained this was a request to proceed with critical improvements to the Town's IT infrastructure, a full reorganization of the Town Hall server room, and the corresponding Amended Budget Ordinance for those items. The improvements were necessary due to additional staffing in several departments as well as insufficient port/data capacity and ongoing operational issues caused by disorganized wiring. The project would cost approximately \$13,200 (including contingency) using Contigo for the work. The project would be paid for with fund balance.

Council Member Hall made the motion to proceed with the IT Infrastructure work by Contigo for \$13,200 and approve the Amended Budget Ordinance 7 to move the funds for the project. Council Member Ayers seconded the motion to which Council approved unanimously. *Amended Budget Ordinance 7* is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.

5. Splash Pad Potential Contract Award

This item was removed from the Agenda during Agenda Approval.

6. New Council Member Transition Plan

Town Manager Sewell explained the 2026 Town Council Transition Support Plan for the new Council Members. Mr. Sewell went over the plan and schedule for the plan. The 2026 Town Council Transition Support Plan for the New Council Members is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.

Council held consensus to approve the plan.

7. Usage of Town Logo (Ayers)

Council Member Ayers was concerned that some candidates on election day used the Town's logo, and he was concerned there was no protection for the Town. Council held consensus to have staff look into the protection of logo/seal usage.

Council Member Hall questioned the definition of event and gathering for meeting at the Town's parks. Staff would look into the gathering policy and procedures for gatherings at the Town's parks and report back to Council.

8. Adjournment

Council Member Richardson moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Council Member Hall, and the motion received unanimous support. The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Approved on December 8, 2025.

s/David Scholl

David Scholl, Mayor

s/Erinn Nichols

Erinn E. Nichols, Town Clerk

Approved as to form:

s/Cox Law Firm, PLLC

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