

**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 February 11, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at the Stallings Town Hall, 315 Stallings Road, Stallings, North Carolina.

Those present were: Mayor Pro Tempore David Scholl; Council Members John Martin, Lynda Paxton, Deborah Romanow, and Shawna Steele.

Those absent were: Mayor Wyatt Dunn and Council Member Kathy Heyse.

Staff present were: Alex Sewell, Town Manager; Erinn Nichols, Deputy Town Manager/Town Clerk; Lynne Hair, Town Planner; Ashley Platts, Parks and Recreation Director; Marsha Gross, Finance Officer; and Melanie Cox, Town Attorney.

Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance and meeting called to order

Mayor Wyatt Dunn welcomed everyone to the meeting and Council Member Romanow delivered the invocation. Mayor Dunn then led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order.

Public Comments

Ab Bush, 1212 St. Johns, Chestnut Oaks, was present on behalf of the HOA, and stated the garbage trucks were causing damage to Chestnut Oaks alley ways.

1. Approval of Consent Agenda Items

A. Minutes of the following meetings:

- (1) 01-14-19 - special
- (2) 01-14-19 – closed
- (3) 01-14-19

Council Member Romanow made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented.

The motion was seconded by Council Member Steele which passed unanimously by Council.

2. Reports

A. Report from the Mayor

The Mayor was not present to give a report.

B. Reports from Council Members/Town Committees

Council Member Paxton reported the following:

- She and staff had met with Matthews regarding Old Monroe Road widening.
- Reminded all that Town Planner Hair would be presenting to CRTPO on Feb. 27.
- Stony Rushing had indicated that the county water and sewer project would be delayed in the western part of the county.

Council Member Martin reported that Indian Trail was interested in partnering with Stallings on Old Monroe Road. He also enjoyed the Union County Chamber Elected Officials Reception and met the new County Manager.

Council Member Romanow thanked Town Manager Sewell and Deputy Town Manager/Town Clerk Nichols for an excellent Planning Retreat.

Council Member Steele congratulated the Town on being on the top 10 list of the safest Towns in North Carolina.

Council Member Scholl reported:

- He attended Union County Ground Hog Economic Summit, Union County Chamber Elected Officials Reception, and the CCCOG meeting.
- He also reminded the Council of its discussion with Union County State Legislators on Feb. 22 at 10 a.m.

C. Report from Town Manager/Town Departments

Town Manager Sewell reported:

- He explained that the CMIIP called for 2nd floor renovations in 2019-20. Council held consensus to move forward with those plans.
- Council held consensus to move forward with the RFQ for Greenway Engineering.
- Mr. Sewell would like to empower committees and allow them to meet potential committee members prior to the application being considered by Council by attending one committee meeting. Council held consensus on this new process and placing that policy change on the next consent agenda.

Town Planner Hair presented an annual update on the Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP). The CLUP was adopted in November 2017 and 2018 was the first year that document was fully in effect. This annual update is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.

3. Agenda Approval

Council Member Scholl recommended adding the following items to the Agenda:

- Add a closed session for attorney-client privilege pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) as Agenda Item 10.A.
- Add a second Parks and Recreation Committee Application for consideration to Agenda Item 7.
- Remove Agenda Item 9, Deputy Town Clerk Oath of Office.

Council Member Paxton made the motion to approve the Agenda with the above listed changes. The motion was passed unanimously after a second from Council Member Romanow.

4. Annexation 51 – Funderburke

Council Member Scholl reopened the public hearing for Annexation 51 - Funderburke. The applicant requested the hearing be recessed until March 25, 2019. Council Member Romanow made the motion to recess the public hearing for Annexation 51 – Funderburke until March 25, 2019 at the regularly scheduled Council Meeting at 7 p.m. Council Member Martin seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

5. TX18.09.01

Council Member Scholl opened the public hearing for TX19.09.01. Town Planner Hair explained this was a text amendment request to: 1) Article 17 Sign Regulations Section 17.6 (B) to remove the 2nd sentence; and 2) Section 17.5 (A) to change “Snipe Sign” to read “Off-premise Signs”. The Zoning Staff Report for TX18.09.01 is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.

No one was present to give public comment. Council Member Romanow made the motion to approve TX18.09.01. The motion received Council unanimous support after a second from Council Member Steele. Council Member Scholl closed the public hearing.

Council Member Scholl read the Statement of Consistency and Reasonableness for TX18.09.01 into the record. A motion was received by Council Member Romanow to approve the Statement of Consistency and Reasonableness for TX18.09.01. Council Member Steele seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Council. The Statement of Consistency and Reasonableness for TX18.09.01 is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.

6. TX18.09.02

Council Member Scholl opened the public hearing for TX18.09.02. Town Planner Hair explained the item this was an amendment to Table 17.1 Permanent Sign Standards and Criteria to allow square footage of permanent wall signs to be calculated on wall area. The Planning Board recommended approval of this item. The Zoning Staff Report for TX18.09.02 is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.

No one was present to give public comment. Council Member Romanow made the motion to approve TX18.09.02. The motion received Council unanimous support after a second from Council Member Martin. Council Member Scholl closed the public hearing.

Council Member Scholl read the Statement of Consistency and Reasonableness for TX18.09.02 into the record. A motion was received by Council Member Romanow to approve the Statement of Consistency and Reasonableness for TX18.09.01. Council Member Steele seconded the motion which passed unanimously by Council. The Statement of Consistency and Reasonableness for TX18.09.01 is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.

7. Parks and Recreation Applications Consideration

Council Member Romanow made the motion to appoint Marianne Mercer and Aidan Nolan as full members of the Parks and Recreation Committee with terms expiring 03-31-20. The motion was seconded by Council Member Steele and received unanimous support by Council.

8. Budget Items

Finance Officer Gross presented the following items to the Council for adoption.

(A) 2018-19 Amended Budget Ordinance 3

This item was dealt with after the Capital Project Ordinance, Agenda Item 8.C.

Finance Officer Gross explained this budget ordinance would account for the debt service on the new facilities being built by moving the funds to the Capital Project Line.

Council Member Paxton made to the motion to approve the 2018-19 Amended Budget Ordinance 3. The motion was passed unanimously after a second from Council Member Romanow. The 2018-19 Amended Budget Ordinance 3 is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.

(B) 2018-19 Amended Budget Ordinance 4

This item was dealt with after the 2018-19 Amended Budget Ordinance 3, Agenda Item 8.A.

Finance Officer Gross explained this budget ordinance would move \$25,000 from Contingency for repairs on the current Town Hall.

Council Member Romanow made to the motion to approve the 2018-19 Amended Budget Ordinance 4. The motion was passed unanimously after a second from Council Member Martin. The 2018-19 Amended Budget Ordinance 4 is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.

(C) Capital Project Ordinance

This item was dealt with as the first item of Agenda Item 8, Budget Items.

Finance Officer Gross explained this ordinance created the capital project fund for the new facilities being built. The ordinance was vetted through the Town's auditor.

Council Member Steele made to the motion to approve the Capital Project Ordinance for the New Town Hall and Public Work Facilities. The motion was passed unanimously after a second from Council

Member Romanow. The Capital Project Ordinance for the New Town Hall and Public Work Facilities is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.

(D) 2019-20 Budget meeting schedule

Council held consensus to schedule its 2019-20 Budget Meetings on the following dates: April 15, April 23, April 29, and May 6. It also concluded to discuss the CMIIP during its regular meeting on March 25, 2019, at 6 p.m.

9. Deputy Town Clerk Oath of Office

This item was removed from the Agenda during Agenda Approval.

10. Balanced Scorecard

Town Manager Sewell requested the Council approve the objectives of the Balanced Scorecard Report. Mr. Sewell's memo regarding this report is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein

Council Member Romanow made the motion to approve the objectives of the Balanced Scorecard as presented. The motion passed unanimously after a second from Council Member Paxton.

10.A. Closed Session Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6)

Council Member Scholl made the motion to go into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6). The motion received Council's unanimous support after a second from Council Member Romanow.

Council went into closed session at 8:24 p.m. and reconvened in open session at approximately 8:47 p.m.

11. Adjournment

Council Member Romanow moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Council Member Steele, and the motion received unanimous support. The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Approved on March 11, 2019.

s/Wyatt Dunn

Wyatt Dunn, Mayor

s/Erinn Nichols

Erinn E. Nichols, Town Clerk

Approved as to form:

s/Cox Law Firm, PLLC

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