# 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 October 23, 2023, 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, Taylor-Rae Drake, Heather Grooms, Graham Hall and Brad Richardson.

Staff present were: Alex Sewell, Town Manager; Erinn Nichols, Assistant Town Manager/Town Clerk; Chief Dennis Franks; Max Hsiang, Planning Director; Kevin Parker, Town Engineer; and Jamie Privuznuk, Finance Officer.

Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance and meeting called to order Mayor Wyatt Dunn welcomed everyone to the meeting and delivered the invocation. Mayor Dunn then led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order.

<u>Public Comments</u> No one was present to give any public comments.

# 1. Approval of Consent Agenda Items

- A. ARPA 5th Quarter documents
- B. Amended Budget Ordinance 7 Chestnut Roundabout
- C. Copier Lease

Council Member Scholl made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hall which passed unanimously by Council. The Amended Grant Project Ordinance for the Town of Stallings American Rescue Plan Act of 2021: Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds – September 2023 and the Amended Budget Ordinance 7 – Chestnut Roundabout is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.

### 2. Agenda Approval

Council Member Richardson made the motion to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion was passed unanimously after a second from Council Member Ayers.

#### 3. <u>Resurfacing Contract</u>

Engineering Director Kevin Parker explained that Council approved an additional \$600,000 appropriation (\$1.05 million total budget) on top of Powell Bill allocations for the FY2024 roadway maintenance program and directed staff to analyze the costs of the FY 2024 resurfacing contract bids to determine if the fiscal/inflationary concerns had been alleviated at which time Council would then decide to appropriate an additional \$200K, allowing for a \$1.25 million total roadway maintenance budget.

Staff followed the formal bid procedure for the Fall 2023 resurfacing contract, receiving six sealed bids, of which Red Clay Industries was the lowest responsible bidder at \$734,764.20. The project would have to be delayed until Spring 2024 due to the timing of the weather.

Council Member Richardson made the motion to authorize the Town Manager to execute the contract with Red Clay Industries for the amount of \$734,764.20. The motion was passed unanimously by Council after a second from Council Member Scholl.

### 4. 50th Anniversary Merchandise Item (Ayers)

Council Member Ayers explained that he would like the Council to consider purchasing Lionel Custom Run Boxcar Keepsake trains for Stallings 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations in 2025 for citizens to purchase. The minimum order was 100 trains and would be \$60/train with no shipping costs. The delivery time was 8-10 months from when the artwork was approved.

Council discussed the request and decided not to pursue the purchase of this item at this time. Town Manager Sewell noted that Staff was working on 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations and would bring ideas back to the Council in the spring.

# 5. Stallings Fire Department Request

The Stallings Fire Department was requesting financial assistance from the Town of Stallings with all the costs, fees, and expenses associated with the rezoning petition and process associated with rezoning the parcel #07126043A (3.79 acres) for construction of a Stallings Fire Department located in Stallings near Atrium Union West. Town Manager Sewell reminded the Council that the Stallings Fire Department's original request of the Town was \$1M for the purchase of the land for the new fire department.

Council Member Scholl made the motion to waive the fees associated with the rezoning petition and process associated with rezoning the parcel #07126043A (3.79 acres) for construction of a Stallings Fire Department up to \$10,000. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ayers and passed unanimously by Council.

6. <u>Adjournment</u>

Council Member Drake moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Council Member Grooms, and the motion received unanimous support. The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Approved on November 13, 2023.

<u>s/Wyatt Dunn</u> Wyatt Dunn, Mayor <u>s/Erínn Níchols</u> Erinn E. Nichols, Town Clerk

Approved as to form: <u>s/Cox Law Firm, PLLC</u> Cox Law Firm, PLLC