

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

The Town Council of the Town of Stallings met for a special meeting on April 30, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. at the Stallings Town Hall, 315 Stallings Road, Stallings, North Carolina.

Those present were: Mayor Wyatt Dunn; Council Members Kathy Heyse, John Martin, Lynda Paxton, Deborah Romanow, and Shawna Steele.

Those absent were: Mayor Pro Tempore David Scholl.

Staff present were: Alex Sewell, Town Manager; Erinn Nichols, Deputy Town Manager; Ashley Platts, Parks and Recreation Director; Minor Plyler, Chief of Police; and Marsha Gross, Finance Officer.

1. Call the meeting to order

Mayor Dunn called the meeting to order. He then turned the floor over to Finance Officer Marsha Gross.

2. Budget discussions for the 2018-2019 fiscal year

Finance Officer Gross informed the Council of the updated budget information at the Council's desk. Mrs. Gross then turned the meeting over to the department heads.

The following departments also reviewed their proposed budget with the Council:

- Parks and Recreation Department – Ashley Platts, Parks and Recreation Director
This department's proposed budget projected a 6% decrease from the previous fiscal year due to: 1) former Parks and Recreation employees as well as some inventory and equipment and building and grounds items being moved into the Public Works Department; and 2) decrease in subscriptions due to reduction in price of music for the park.
 - Council held consensus to cancel the New Orleans bus trip which was scheduled in the Fall of 2018.
 - Ms. Platts also presented the Council with a new fee structure for the Council to consider for park rentals. Council held consensus to approve the presented fee schedule. This schedule is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.
 - New/replacement equipment for the parks - \$93.5K: playground mats; playground equipment; boy/girl scouts projects in the park; water fountains; restroom partitions; fence in rear of the park; event trailer.
 - Outside services - \$119K: Christmas Tree storage/lights; internet in the park; park master plan; electric repairs; spray-in playground mulch.
 - Events and programs: Stallings Fest; Christmas-in-the-Park; Easter; Block Party/Concert; New S.T.E.A.M. Event; Summer Concert.

- Police Department – Chief Minor Plyler
A 5.3% decrease from the current fiscal year was projected for this department due to vehicle maintenance and cost disbursement to other departments. This decrease for the department as a whole was offset mainly by the addition of a K-9 Unit.

Council Member Romanow left the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

- Debt Service – Marsha Gross, Finance Officer
In the 2018-2019 budget, the annual interest only payment for the new facilities would be \$85,000, with monthly payments of \$29,000 for 2019-2020.
- Capital Project Fund – Marsha Gross, Finance Officer
New Facilities: *There would be approximately \$1.9M cost in 2019-2019 (approximately 65% of that being loan) and \$1.1M cost in the 2019-2020 year.*
Potter Road/Pleasant Plains: *The budget for 2018-2019 was \$1.7M for a total project cost of \$3.83M*

The slides for each of these presentations are attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.

Town Manager Sewell showed the Council an example of a street sign branded with the Town’s logo. He also shared a quote for Town-wide survey services from the Centralina Council on Governments (CCOG) in the amount of approximately \$14K.

3. Adjournment

Council Member Paxton moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Council Member Steele, and the motion received unanimous support. The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Approved on May 14, 2018.

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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