

**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 13, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at the Stallings Town Hall, 315 Stallings Road, Stallings, North Carolina.

Those present were: Mayor Wyatt Dunn; Mayor Pro Tempore Regis Griffin; Council Members Rocky Crenshaw, Kathy Heyse, Deborah Romanow, David Scholl, and Shawna Steele.

Staff present were: Erinn Nichols, Interim Town Manager; Emily Hughes, Deputy Town Clerk and Communications Specialist; Chris Easterly, Town Engineer; Lynne Hair, Town Planner; Max Hsiang, Planning Technician; and Minor Plyer, Chief of Police; Marsha Gross, Finance Officer.

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.

Special Presentations

Mr. Richard Baker, Stallings Planning Board

Mr. Baker was honored by the Town for his 27 years of service as Chairman of the Stallings Planning Board and Board of Adjustment. Mr. Baker was presented with the key to the Town of Stallings. A new sitting area was created at the front of Town Hall in Mr. Baker's honor. The Mayor also read a proclamation in honor of Mr. Baker. That proclamation is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein. Several fellow, former and current, board members publicly thanked Mr. Baker for his service and tutelage.

Stallings Police Department, Community Policing

The Stallings Police Department was recognized by Governor Roy Cooper of the State of North Carolina for its outstanding service in the area of community policing. The letter from Governor Cooper to the Stallings Police Department is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.

Public Comments

Leigh Coulter, Country Woods East, requested the Council consider the new Town Hall Building to be LEED certified. She felt it would set a good example and boost business development.

1. Approval of Consent Agenda Items

A. Minutes of the following meetings:

- (1) 10-09-17
- (2) 10-09-17 – closed
- (3) 10-23-17 – special

B. Tax Releases totaling \$79.00

Council Member Griffin requested adding the minutes of 09-25-17 and 09-25-17–special.

Council Member Griffin made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the addition as noted above. The motion was seconded by Council Member Romanow and passed unanimously.

2. Reports

A. Report from the Mayor

Mayor Dunn had no report.

B. Reports from Council Members/Town Committees

Council Member Heyse had no report.

Council Member Crenshaw reminded all that Christmas in the Park was on going to be Saturday, December 9 from 5 – 8 p.m. in Stallings Park.

Council Member Romanow thanked the residents for voting in the election.

Council Member Griffin had no report.

Council Member Steele reported that she spoke at Career Day for the 4th graders at Stallings Elementary.

Council Member Scholl reported that the Web Committee was meeting and moving forward.

C. Report from Town Manager/Town Departments

Interim Town Manager Nichols reminded the Council that the Union County Red Carpet Gala was December 7 at the Union County Ag Center if any Council Member wanted to attend. She also congratulated the new board members. It was reported that Shred Day was another successful event, an event citizens continued to request. Also, the new code enforcement officer would begin in a few weeks. It was also clarified that Town Engineer Easterly was working with NCDOT to receiving lighting options for the Expressway.

Marsha Gross, Finance Officer, presented the monthly financial overview to the Council.

3. Agenda Approval

Council Member Griffin requested adding the resignations of Jim Korth from the Parks and Recreation Committee and Richard Baker from the Planning Board and Board of Adjustment as Agenda Item 9.A.

Council Member Griffin made the motion to approve the Agenda with the above addition. The motion was seconded by Council Member Romanow which passed unanimously.

4. Joint Resolution Opposing Old Monroe Road Superstreet Design

Interim Town Manager Nichols explained that this resolution was a joint resolution for the Towns of Indian Trail, Matthews, and Stallings opposing the Old Monroe Road superstreet design throughout the Towns' corridors.

Council Member Griffin made the motion to adopt the Joint Resolution Opposing Old Monroe Road Superstreet Design. The motion was seconded by Council Member Romanow and passed unanimously. The Joint Resolution Opposing Old Monroe Road Superstreet Design is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.

5. Greenway Grant Opportunity

Town Planner Lynne Hair reminded the Council that it had approved developing a Greenway Plan. As a part of that process and contract, Destination by Design was to research and find grant opportunities to assist in building the North Fork Crooked Creek Greenway through Blair Mill Park on land the Town already owned.

The grant was through North Carolina Water Resources with a 50% match. Ms. Hair then compared sidewalks and greenways for the Council. This project and grant costs would be as follows:

Phase I – Engineering	Phase 2 - Construction
\$63,000 – total cost	\$455,000 – total cost
\$25,000 – grant funds	\$125,000 – grant funds
\$38,000 – Town match	\$330,000 – Town match

Council held consensus not to support applying for this grant at this time.

6. Potters/Pleasant Plains Intersection Improvements

Resolution for Condemnation

Town Attorney Cox explained that she and Town Engineer Easterly has been working on the Potters/Pleasant Plains Intersection Improvements Right-of-Way Acquisitions. The Town was notified by
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the attorney of the property owner, PEK and KFF, LLC, of Parcel 6 requesting condemnation filing because they were not willing negotiate for the purchase of the property. As soon as the condemnation was filed, the Town could move forward with construction. The Town's appraiser valued parcel 6 at \$13,325.

Mayor Dunn read the Resolution for Condemnation into the record. Council Member Griffin made the motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Council Member Romanow and passed unanimously. The Resolution for Condemnation is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.

7. Master Committee Ordinance

Council Member Griffin reminded the Council this was the ordinance which resulted from the Committee on Committees solutions. Council held consensus on the following items concerning the Master Committee Ordinance:

- **Article 2, Officers:** add *"as appointed by Council or by the Mayor's appointment with Council's concurrence."*
- **Article 3, Membership:** remove *"liaison"*
- **Article 3, Officers:** add *"or Council Member" prior to "Vice-Chairman"*

Council Member Griffin made the motion to adopt the Master Committee Ordinance with the above listed changes. The motion was seconded by Council Member Scholl and passed unanimously. The Master Committee Ordinance is attached to these minutes and therefore incorporated herein.

Council Member Griffin made the motion to the grandfather all Transportation Advisory Committee Members terms until March 31, 2018. The motion passed unanimously after a second from Council Member Romanow.

8. Street Naming for New Roads Due to Expressway Construction

Interim Town Manager Nichols requested the Council make final decisions on the names for the new roads as a result of the Expressway Construction. Council held consensus on the following names for the new roads:

- SRRT1 - Guion Lane
- SRLT 3 - Stallings Commerce Drive
- SR16 - Sweet Birch Drive
- Y111 - Marie Garris Drive
- Y111A - Lodging Way
- Y114 - Richard Baker Drive
- SR2 - Union West Extension

9. Town Manager Search Committee Update

Council Member Griffin explained the first rounds of interviews were complete. The Committee recommended a second round of interviews with three candidates with all Council Members, asking the candidates to give a presentation with a question and answer session following. Council Member Griffin would help coordinate schedules of the Council Members for these interviews.

9.A. Committee Members Resignations

Council Member Griffin made the motion to accept the resignation of Jim Korth from the Parks and Recreation Committee and Richard Baker from the Planning Board/Board of Adjustment, both effective this date. The motion received Council unanimous support after a second from Council Member Romanow.

10. Closed Sessions

- A. NCGS 143-318.11(a)(5)
- B. NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6)

Council Member Griffin made the motion to go into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143.318.11(a)(5) including Town Engineer Chris Easterly. The motion passed unanimously after a second from Council Member Romanow.

11. Adjournment

Council Member Griffin moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Council Member Steele, and the motion received unanimous support. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:05 p.m.

Approved on February 12, 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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