

MINUTES

The Rural Hall Town Council held their regular meeting on March 9, 2020 at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall Council Chambers. The following members were present: Mayor Timothy M. Flinchum - presiding; Mayor Pro Tem John N. McDermon; Councilwoman Susan H. Gordon; Councilman Ricky S. Plunkett; Councilman Jesse A. Stigall; Town Manager Megan M. Garner; Town Clerk Dora K. Moore; and Town Attorney D. Barrett Burge.

Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Clerk Moore.

Adoption of Agenda: Mayor Pro Tem John N. McDermon made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Councilman Jesse A. Stigall seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Councilman Ricky S. Plunkett made a motion to approve the February 10, 2020 regular meeting and March 2, 2020 agenda briefing minutes. Councilman Jesse A. Stigall seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment Period:

No one spoke.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & MEETING UPDATES:

February 2020 Flag Purchases: The following flag purchase was made in February 2020:

In Memory
Terri Elliott

Purchased By
Alda Geyer

Shred Event: The Town's annual shred event will be Saturday, April 4 from 9 AM until 12 PM at Town Hall. This is a free service to Town residents and is not intended for business or commercial entities.

Easter Egg Helicopter Drop: The Town's second annual Helicopter Easter Egg Drop will be held Friday, April 10 at 10 AM on the ball field at Covington Park. Mayor Flinchum encouraged the community to attend this fun event.

Spring Fling & Movie Night: A spring version of National Night Out will be held Friday, May 15 on the ball field at Covington Park. The free, family-friendly event begins at 6 PM with free hot dogs to the first 200 people, face painting, and more. *Playing with Fire* will be shown beginning at 8:30 PM.

Food Truck Tuesday: Big Mouff Cheesesteaks will be at Town Hall Tuesday, March 10 to kick off Food Truck Tuesdays.

NEW BUSINESS:

Feasibility Study Interlocal Agreements for Montroyal Road and Northridge Park Drive Connector: Manager Garner reported the Town has been awarded grant funding by the City of Winston-Salem for two feasibility studies 1) Montroyal Road and 2) Northridge Park Drive Connector. The Montroyal Road study is to evaluate ways to reconnect the two portions of the road permitting tractor trailer traffic to utilize the route. The Northridge Park Drive study will

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examine options for an exit/entrance from the business park near Westinghouse. Although the grants were awarded in early 2019, the Town was not informed of the awards until December 2019. Each grant is \$100,000 and the Town will be reimbursed 80% for each grant once the study is completed. Request for qualifications to procure an engineer will need to be issued for both studies. After the feasibility studies are completed, the Town would still need to apply for construction funds. Councilman Ricky S. Plunkett made a motion approving the interlocal agreements with the City of Winston-Salem for feasibility studies on Montroyal Road and Northridge Park Drive. Councilman Jesse A. Stigall seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. (*Agreements have been placed in the Minute Book.*)

Pedestrian Planning Grant: Manager Garner requested Council action for the Town to apply for a Pedestrian Planning Grant to review and update the Town's Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan that was originally adopted in April 2001. For this grant, the Town's match would only be ten percent. Councilman Jesse A. Stigall made a motion to adopt Resolution #807, Supporting a Pedestrian Planning Grant. Mayor Pro Tem John N. McDermon seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. (*Resolution #807 has been placed in the Ordinance Book.*)

Rules of Procedure: Manager Garner reported UNC-Chapel Hill School of Government has suggested rules of procedures for municipal elected officials. These rules were revised slightly to be specific to the Town and is largely what the Council is currently doing but formalizes such. Mayor Pro Tem John N. McDermon made a motion to adopt the Rules of Procedures as presented. Councilman Jesse A. Stigall seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. (*Rules of Procedure have been placed in the Minute Book.*)

There being no further business, motion was made by Councilman Ricky S. Plunkett to adjourn at 7:13 PM.



Dora K. Moore
Town Clerk