

MINUTES

The Rural Hall Town Council held their Regular Council meeting on October 10, 2022, at 7:00 PM in Town Hall Council Chambers. The following members were present: Mayor Timothy M. Flinchum - presiding; Mayor Pro Tem Susan H. Gordon; Councilman Terry M. Bennett; Councilman Eddie Horn; Councilwoman Janet M. Carithers; Town Manager Misty A. Meadows; Town Clerk Lynette Hendrick, Finance Director Wade Gilley, and Interim Attorney Randy James.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by Town Clerk Lynette Hendrick.

A moment of silence was held.

Adoption of Amended Agenda:

Mayor Flinchum revised the agenda eliminating the words “approved and special meeting” in section 8-c and changing the words “special meeting” to “training” in section 10. Councilman Horn made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Carithers to approve the agenda as revised. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

Councilwoman Carithers made the motion, seconded by Councilman Bennett to approve the September 7 agenda briefing and work session minutes and September 12 regular meeting minutes and approve and seal the September 12 closed session minutes. The motion was passed unanimously.

Announcements and Meeting Updates:

October 11 Tuesday Food Truck

October 31 Trunk or Treat at Covington Park in Conjunction with Halloween on Broad St.

October 24-26/22 Judging for Best Decorated House for Halloween

Public Comment Period :

Michelle Lawson of 900 Falconbridge Road, Rural Hall signed up to speak about a code enforcement letter she received regarding tires in her yard.

Carol Newsome of 8495 Broad Street, Rural Hall rendered her time to June Koehn.

June Koehn of 430 College Street, Rural Hall signed up with the topic “Being Transparent”. Mrs. Koehn mentioned the best thing council has done lately was hire consultant Ron Niland. She also pleaded with council to follow the “ethics code”.

Delmar Cockerham of 694 Perth Road, Rural Hall signed up to talk about the NCDOT U6005 improvement project for Bethania Rural Hall Road.

New Business/ Items of Discussion

Councilwoman Carithers made the motion, seconded by Councilman Horn to adopt the design build written criteria for the new fire station. The motion was passed unanimously.

Councilman Bennett made the motion, seconded by Councilman Horn to adopt the Revised Public Comment Procedures. The motion was passed unanimously.

Councilman Horn made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Carithers, to enter **Closed Session NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3)** Attorney-client privilege - litigation matters, to discuss legal claim by Andy Marshall with Attorney; update on the lawsuit of Town of Rural Hall v. Garner 21

CVS 5345 Forsyth County; and to seek legal advice about modification of a prior ordinance regarding Jeff Wood. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Timothy Flinchum called the Council Meeting back in session at 8:47 PM.

The Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem thanked everyone for staying during the closed session. Councilwoman Carithers reminded everyone NFLL has a Go Fund Me page.

Mayor recessed the meeting to reconvene at the Rural Hall Fire Department October 26, at 5:30 pm.

Lynette E. Hendrick
Town Clerk