TOWN OF JONESVILLE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES August 12, 2024

The Town of Jonesville Council met for the Regular Monthly Board Meeting on Monday, August 12, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

Council Present:

Absent:

Mayor Anita Darnell Mayor Pro-Tempore Andy Green Tracy Wall Regina Adkins Michael Tilley Scott Darnell

Others Present:

Michael Pardue, Town Manager Wendy Thompson, Finance Officer Josh Matthews, ORC Distribution Chief Dane Mastin, Police Department Chief Kevin Macemore, Arlington Fire & Rescue James Freeman, Town Attorney

Mayor Darnell called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda - The Consent Agenda included the following:

- Financials for June & July 2024
- Budget Amendment Fund 50 Water Department
- Fund 32 FEMA refund
- Contract with Cintas for safety kits
- Contract with Netstore Technologies for IT support
- Agreement with Arlington Fire & Rescue
- Fall Haul October 14 17, 2024

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Council Member Adkins with a second by Council Member Tilley and approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.

A motion was made to add PARTF Grant for Double Bluff Recreation Area as an item on the agenda, list information under tab 6, by Council Member Tilley and a second by Council Member Adkins and approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.

Public Comment Period -

- 1. Roger Hurd, JPRO, recognized the Jonesville Town Council and presented the Town with a plaque for the support of the Council and staff throughout the softball season and Ms. Regina Adkins for her support of the team and time on Jonesville Parks & Recreation Commission.
- 2. Etta Jolly, 3212 Country View Road addressed the Council regarding her water bill. She had a leak that came up in February, came to Town Hall in March and was told it was her responsibility

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to find the leak, how was she supposed to find it in all the rain. Total bill 600 and some gallons and wants \$426, reimbursement of anything above \$48.40 each month. She has everything else fixed and gave board pictures of repairs and bills.

Public Hearing - Installment Financing

The public hearing was called to order at 7:10 pm by Mayor Darnell. The public hearing was to discuss financing contract in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 to finance the acquisition of two parcels of land in the corporate limits of Jonesville. The Town seeks financing under the guidance of the North Carolina Local Government Commission. There was no public comment during the hearing. Mayor Darnell closed the hearing.

Departmental Reports

Departmental reports were included in the agenda packets and given verbally by the following:

- Public Works & Water Plant Josh Matthews, ORC Distribution
- Police Department & Code Enforcement- Chief Dane Mastin
- Arlington Fire & Rescue Chief Kevin Macemore
- Manager's Report Michael Pardue

A motion was made to go into close session to discuss acquisition of property by the Town, NCGS 143-318.11(a)(5) by Council Member Green with a second by Council Member Tilley and approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.

A motion was made to go back into open session by Council Member Green with a second by Council Member S. Darnell and approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.

Business – Michael Pardue, Town Manager, addressed the Council with the following business matters:

Purchasing & Financing of Real Property - after discussion between Council Members item was tabled for more information from the financing companies by motion from Council Member Green with a second by Council Member S. Darnell and approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.

NC DOT Agreement Waterline Relocation – due to proposed NC DOT's round-a-bout project at Elm Street (known as project R-5913), waterline lines will need to be relocated. It is necessary to obtain engineering services to represent Jonesville and draw the necessary plans for relocation of lines. Jonesville has entered into a contract with Wooten Engineering for services A motion to authorize the Town Manager to enter in agreement with NC DOT for a waterline relocation reimbursement contract as part of project R-5913 was made by Council Member Green with a second by Council Member Wall and approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.

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Double Bluff Recreation Area – the Town has received two grants to complete work at Double Bluff Recreation Area, PARTF in the amount of \$500,000 and state appropriation grant in the amount of \$3.4 million. The project will involve several different contractors who will be performing services that are susceptible to weather delays. The Town Manager requested authorization to review and approve contracts on this project up to \$500,000 each on the Town's behalf once contracts are reviewed and approved by the Town Attorney. A motion was made to authorize the Town Manager to approve individual contracts up to \$500,000 each on the Town's behalf for work on the Double Bluff Recreation Area Project by Council Member Adkins with a second by Council Member Green and approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.

Council Member Green asked for the Council to think about the possibility of putting wooden or concrete sculptures along the Jonesville Greenway Trail starting at the Plaza Street trailhead. The hope is that locals and tourist alike will visit the trail to take photos with the sculpture, share them online and will become a fun way to market Jonesville. Additional sculptures could be added each year. Council Member Green and Council Member Tilley will be asking the TDA for the funds to purchase the items but may need assistance from the Town. The Council discussed the opportunities that could arise from these items being placed along the trail.

A motion to recess until August 26, 2024 at 6:00 pm was made by Council Member Green with a second by Council Member Wall and approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.