TOWN OF JONESVILLE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES June 9, 2025

The Jonesville Town Council held its Regular Monthly Board Meeting on Monday, June 9, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

Council Present:

Absent:

Mayor Anita Darnell

Tracy Wall

May Pro-Tempore Andy Green Tracy Wall

Regina Adkins Michael Tilley Scott Darnell

Others Present:

Wendy Thompson, Interim Town Manager James Freeman, Town Attorney Chief Scotty Vestal, Police Department Tasha Ferguson, Deputy Town Clerk

William Buffkin, Assistant to the Town Manager

Mayor Darnell called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing - Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Budget Ordinance

Mayor Darnell called the public hearing to order at 7:04 p.m., followed by an opening statement to announce that the 2025-2026 Budget complies with the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act of North Carolina. Mayor Darnell also made the public aware that there will be a copy of the budget on file with the Town Clerk.

Interim Town Manager and Finance Officer Wendy Thompson presented the 2025-2026 Budget.

During the open comment period of the public hearing, Jessica Germaine of 318 N. Bridge St, Jonesville, spoke as a nine-year resident of the Town about the importance of a crosswalk at traffic lights and sidewalks along both main highways, Highway 21 and Highway 67. Ms. Germaine also brought some issues before the board about Duke Energy and some recent work they had done at her home.

Mayor Darnell closed the public hearing at 7:18 p.m. Mayor Pro-Tempore Green made a motion to approve the fiscal year 2025-2026 Budget as presented, seconded by Council Member R. Adkins, and approved by unanimous vote, 4-0.

Consent Agenda - The Consent Agenda included the following:

- Minutes May 12, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes
- Financials for May 2025
- Departmental Reports for May 2025
- Agreement with PTRC planning services
- Agreement with YVEDDI YV Senior Center lease
- Planning Board and Board of Adjustments Member Approvals
- Jonesville TDA Board Member Approvals

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A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Council Member R. Adkins, seconded by Council Member M. Tilley, and approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.

Public Comment Period -

No public comment was made during this time.

Chief Scotty Vestal introduced the Town's newest member of the Jonesville Police Department, K-9 Officer Jane. Jane has been trained and certified in narcotics detection, article searches, and tracking. Sergeant Andrew Holleman has been certified as Jane's handler and has been with the Jonesville Police Department since 2014.

Officer Jane was officially sworn in by Tasha Ferguson. Jane then gave a paw print for her oath with the Jonesville Police Department.

Business – Wendy Thompson, Interim Town Manager, addressed the Council with the following business matters:

- 1. Agreement with Spencer Stanley Lila Swaim Park
 - A motion to approve the agreement for services with Spencer Stanley for the remodel of restroom #1 at Lila Swaim Park was made by Council Member R. Adkins, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tempore Green, and approved by unanimous vote, 4-0.

W. Thompson presented to the board some ordinance updates for their consideration to vote on at next month's regular meeting in August. Town Attorney James Freeman has reviewed all prospective updates before being delivered to the Board.

Updated ordinances for review include:

- General Offenses Section 130
- Chapter 94 (Animals)
- Chapter 94A (Animals Livestock)

Mayor Pro-Tempore Green made a motion to go into closed session under G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6), with a second by Council Member R. Adkins and approved by unanimous vote, 4-0.

All staff, including Interim Town Manager W. Thompson, exited the closed session.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Green made a motion to return to open session, with a second by Council Member M. Tilley, and approved by unanimous vote, 4-0.

A motion to adjourn was made by Council Member M. Tilley, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tempore Green, and approved by unanimous vote, 4-0.

The Honorable Anita Darnell Mayor, Town of Jonesville

Tiffany Hall-Long, Town Clerk