TOWN OF JONESVILLE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 8. 2025

The Jonesville Town Council held its Regular Monthly Board Meeting on Monday, September 8, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

Council Present: Absent:

Mayor Anita Darnell 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
Tiffany Hall-Long, Town Clerk
William Buffkin, Assistant to the Town Manager

Mayor Darnell called the meeting to order at 6:59 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing – Parcel Number 123121 Arbor Gate Properties/Crawford Home Improvements

Mayor Darnell called the public hearing to order at 7:00 p.m.

William Buffkin, Assistant to the Town Manager, presented to Council a rezoning request that is in accordance with the provisions of NC GS 160D-601, that the Town of Jonesville will conduct the Public Hearing to receive any input from citizens wishing to comment on the proposed request for the property located on Ghant St. within the Town. Notice of the hearing was published in the Elkin Tribune on August 28, 2025, and September 2, 2025.

W. Buffkin made Council aware that the Jonesville Planning Board made a motion at their August 19, 2025, meeting to recommend the rezoning request for approval due to the request aligning with the goals and policies of the Jonesville Land Use Plan that was adopted May 13, 2024.

Council was given proposed designs for the duplex.

Public Hearing; Public Comment Period –

David McKnight of 201 N. Jonesville Blvd., Jonesville, read a letter of opposition to the rezoning request addressed to the Council from a Town resident, Cathy Shore, who was unable to attend the meeting.

Jessica Germaine of 318 N. Main St., Jonesville, expressed concerns about the streets and infrastructure within the Town of Jonesville.

Clay Gossage of 129 Ghant St., had some questions on the original floor plans that were proposed for the duplex and clarification on the type of building that would be placed on the parcel.

Jenny Wilkins of 217 N. Jonesville Blvd., as a neighboring resident, expressed her disagreement with the rezoning request.

After receiving all public comments and opinions, Tony Crawford, the property owner of parcel #123121, spoke to Council and the public about further details regarding the property. The duplex that will be constructed on the parcel will consist of a single rental duplex that will be managed by the Piedmont Regional Triad Council. The property will be stick-built, and the use of the land will hold a single duplex due to spacing and the topography of the area.

Council Member M. Tilley spoke to Mr. Crawford and the Public in reference to the Jonesville Land Use Plan, which was adopted May 13, 2024.

Mayor Darnell closed the Public Hearing at 7:30 p.m. Council Member M. Tilley made a motion to approve the rezoning of parcel #123121 from R-12 to R-10, seconded by Council Member S. Darnell, and approved by vote, 4-1.

Consent Agenda - The Consent Agenda included the following:

- Departmental Reports for August 2025
- Budget Amendments Water Fund
- Fire and Rescue Services Agreement Arlington Fire & Rescue
- Bernard Robinson & Company Agreement
- Billboard Contract Douglas Displays
- Asphalt Contract Mathis Paving
- Surfacing Contract Alyson Construction
- Fence Contract Ferguson Fence

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

A motion to approve the Agenda for September 8, 2025, as presented, was made by Council Member R. Adkins, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tempore Green, and approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.

Public Comment Period –

Jessica Germaine of 318 N. Main St., Jonesville, expressed concerns to the Board about ongoing issues with Duke Power conducting work around her residence and leaving debris behind. Following Ms. Germaine's concerns, she also spoke about the importance of digital literacy and issues of gun control.

Presentation -

Julia Baity, with the North Carolina State Society Daughters of the American Revolution, Johnathan Hunt Chapter, was presented with a Proclamation for Constitution Week 2025, marking the 238th anniversary of the drafting of the U.S. Constitution.

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

- 1. Resolution presented to the Board to apply to the NC Department of Public Safety for hazard mitigation for flood resilience along the Yadkin River
 - A motion to approve Resolution authorizing submission of an application to the NC Department of Public Safety to apply for, if awarded, a hazard mitigation program grant for a flood resiliency project along the Yadkin River was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Green, seconded by Council Member T. Wall, approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.
- 2. Town of Jonesville novelty license plates to offer for purchase
 - A motion to approve the purchase and sale of Jonesville novelty plates was made by Council Member R. Adkins, seconded by Council Member S. Darnell, approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.
- 3. Contract for Lila Swaim Park Restrooms & Stairs
 - O A motion to approve the contract with Spencer Stanley made by Council Member M. Tilley, seconded by Council Member T. Wall, approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.
- 4. Clearview AI Contract & Budget Amendment for Jonesville Police Department
 - o A motion to approve the Clearview AI Contract was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Green, seconded by Council Member T. Wall, approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.
 - A motion to approve the Budget Amendment for Jonesville Police Department was made by Council Member M. Tilley, seconded by Council Member S. Darnell, approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.
- 5. Approval to apply for the NCLM Safety Grant for playground fencing at Lila Swaim Park
 - A motion to allow Interim Town Manager W. Thompson to apply for the NCLM Safety
 Grant for the purpose of installing a fence around the playground was made by Council
 Member R. Adkins, seconded by Council Member T. Wall, approved by unanimous vote,
 5-0.

Interim Town Manager requested the Council to enter Closed Session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6) for personnel matters.

Council Member T. Wall made a motion to go into closed session under G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6), with a second by Council Member R. Adkins, approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.

Council Member R. Adkins made a motion to return to open session, with a second by Mayor Pro-Tempore Green, and approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.

Following the Closed Session discussion with Interim Town Manager W. Thompson and Chief Scotty Vestal, a motion to approve a paid internship position with the Jonesville Police Department was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Green, seconded by Council Member T. Wall, approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Green, seconded by Council Member M. Tilley, and approved by unanimous vote, 5-0.

	The Honorable Anita Darnell Mayor, Town of Jonesville	
Tiffany Hall-Long		
Town Clerk, Town of Jonesville		