TOWN OF WINFALL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING September 12, 2022 7:00 pm. WINFALL TOWN HALL, WINFALL, NC 27985

The regular monthly meeting of the Winfall Town Council was called to order by Mayor Fred Yates at 7:00 pm. Invocation was given by Councilman Personnel Manager Brenda Dillard and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Fred Yates.

Those in attendance were Mayor Fred Yates, Mayor Pro-Tem Preston White, Councilwoman Valery McDonald, Councilwoman Carol Cooper and Attorney High. Councilwoman Virginia Harvey, and Valerie Jackson; Town Clerk

Citizens attending were: Debbie Whedbee, Lucretia Washington. Cynthia Cunningham, Ken Rominger,

Mayor Yates asked Council was there a Conflict of Interest, none declared.

A motion was made to approve the **Agenda** by Councilman Preston White and was seconded by Councilwoman Carol Cooper and so carried.

A motion was made to approve the Minutes for August 8, 2022 meeting by Councilman Preston White and seconded by Councilwoman Carol Cooper and so carried.

Financial Report:

The accountant Richard Arnold stated that there was one change in the amount in the contingency fund. Councilwoman Carol Cooper made a motion to accept the **financial report** and was seconded by Councilman Preston White and so carried.

Old Business:

Approval of the Amended Budget Ordinance: Councilwoman Carol Cooper made a motion to accept the amended budget ordinance in the amount of \$ 659,000 to the increase amount of \$ 695,000 and was seconded by Councilman Preston White and so carried.

New Business:

- A. Police Department: Councilman Preston White ask for an update on the Police Department, the citizen's wanted to know. Councilwoman Valery McDonald replied, "Give us until the first of the year."
- B. Citizens' Advisory/Grievance Committee: After some explanation Councilwoman Carol Cooper made a motion to start a Citizen's Advisory/Grievance Committee and was seconded by Councilwoman Valery McDonald, and so carried. The names that were suggested pending exceptions to the committee was Councilwoman Carol Cooper, Debra Brookins, and Robert Valentine.
- C. Repairs Approval: Mayor Yates ask Brenda Dillard if she could get Lenay Felton to fix the roof. According to Brenda Dillard, Lenay had consented to fix it. Brenda said she would ask Councilwoman Virginia Harvey if she could find someone to fix the window, porch and porch beams. Councilwoman Carol Cooper made a motion to get an estimate and also get an estimate from A. R. Chesson for all repairs, and was seconded by Councilman Preston White and so carried.
- D. Municipal Services/State Code Enforcement, LLC, contract signing: In the August 8, 2022 meeting it was voted and approved to use Municipal Services/ State Code Enforcement, LLC to act as an advisor and to redo the towns zoning maps. Mayor Fred Yates signed the approved contract.

Other Information:

Departments:

A. Sewer: Public Works Melvin Jackson was absent. Personnel Manager Brenda Dillard and Finance Officer Debbie Parker gave a summary of what was going on with the sewer. **Police:**

Fire: Councilman Preston White gave a brief summary regarding the fire truck, and that it is working fine.

Committee Report:

Administration: Personnel Manager Brenda Dillard reported that the maintenance department is doing a good job, the residents are doing better with paying their bills, and the roof in the hallway has to be repaired.

Roads & Grounds: Councilman Preston White told Brenda Dillard she was doing a good job with roads and grounds.

Tourism: Councilman Preston White gave a summary on the Indian Summer Festival and the boat rides to the outer banks.

Sewer: Councilwoman Valery McDonald discussed the renting of pumps and the cost. Councilwoman Valery McDonald gave a summary regarding the cost to purchase to the same pumps for the pumping station.

Zoning: Councilwoman Carol Cooper told Council that she was told she was the zoning administrator, but she was never officially appointed. Councilwoman Valery McDonald made a motion to appoint Councilwoman Carol Cooper as zoning administrator and was seconded by Councilman Preston White and so carried.

Beautification Committee (Finance Officer Debbie Parker) reported Lyle Brown had agreed to clean the ditches and they had to get the flag lines before work could be done. Debbie Parker also said she talked to the gentleman regarding the Town of Winfall Website and he needed to verify that the previous domain belonged to the town.

Councilwoman Carol Cooper talked about having a picnic in the Park for Veterans' Day; the fire department could cook hotdogs. Perquimans County middle school band will play a song. It would start around 2:00 pm on November 11, 2022. Councilwoman Carol Cooper made a motion to have a work session at 6:00 pm before the town meeting and was seconded by Councilwoman Valery McDonald and so carried.

Other Information Public Comments:

Attorney:

At 8:20 pm. A motion was made to **adjourn** the meeting by Councilwoman Carol Gooper and was seconded by Councilman Preston White and so carried.

Mayor Fred Yato

Valerie Jackson, Town Clerk