

TOWN OF WINFALL  
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
January 10, 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 Preston White and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Fred Yates.

Those in attendance were Mayor Fred Yates, Mayor Pro-Tem Preston White, Councilwoman Carol Cooper, Councilwoman Valery McDonald and Attorney Will Crowe.

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 Valery McDonald and so carried.

A motion was made on the approval of the December 13, 2021 **minutes with corrections** by, Councilman Preston White and was seconded by Councilwoman Valery McDonald, and so carried.

**Financial Report:**

The Accountant Richard Arnold stated that there was 1 increase in solid waste and a decrease in for the fire department. A motion was made on the approval of the **financial report** with additional information by Councilman Preston White and was seconded by Councilwoman Valery McDonald and so carried.

**Old Business:**

- A. Personnel Policy:** The date was set for January 22, 2022 at 9:00 am, and anyone that cannot make it was told to bring their book with necessary corrections. Debbie Parker reminded council to outline any problems and to remember that some things do not apply to the Town of Winfall.
- B. Christmas Decoration Contest: Debbie Parker**  
Winners: 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. & Mrs. Perley Spafford, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ms. Susan Spence, 3<sup>rd</sup> Christopher Richardson
- C. Ordinances:** Approve and updated December 13<sup>th</sup> however still needs to look at each individual ordinance.
- D. Late fees and Disconnections approvals:** Mayor Yates ask for a motion on the approval of late fees and disconnections. Councilman Preston White made a motion to reinstate late fees and disconnections, and was seconded by Councilwoman Valery McDonald and so carried.

**New Business:**

- A. Town of Winfall Contract of Agreement with Police of Town of Winfall:** Mayor Yates read aloud the contract with the Police of Town of Winfall Anthony Spellman. After discussion Councilman Preston White made a motion to approve and accept the contract and was seconded by Councilwoman Valery McDonald and so carried. Councilwoman Valery McDonald stated that the Chief of Police should also as an addition to follow the compliance under the Town Personnel Policy. Mayor Yates told her they will discuss that at a later date.
- B. Southern Software, Inc. Agreement:** Mayor Yates motioned for an approval of the Southern Software Contract. A motion was made by Councilwoman Carol Cooper and seconded by Councilman Preston White, and so carried.
- C. Approval of Winfall Fire Department 2022 Officers:** Mayor Yates acknowledged that the fire department members could not attend

the meeting, and read the list of officers for the Winfall Fire Department for 2022. Councilwoman Carol Cooper made a motion to approve the Fire Department 2022 Officers and was seconded by Councilwoman Valery McDonald, and so carried.

Councilwoman Carol Cooper told council that someone ask her when Officer Spellman is not working do we pay the sheriff department to cover? Mayor Yates told her no, but the sheriff department is County and they cover the whole Perquimans County.

**Departments Reported: Sewer: Police.**

**Police:** None.

**Fire Department:** Volunteer Fireman Preston White told Council that the Volunteer Fire department had received the fire grant check in the amount of 28,484.81. He also reported on the rise of COVID in the area and ask that everyone be as safe as possible.

**Committee Reports:**

Administration, Public Safety, Recreation: none.

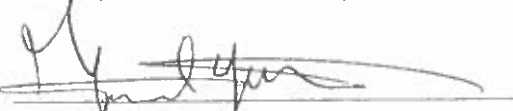
**Roads & Grounds:** Mayor Fred Yates told Council that they are keeping the town clean.

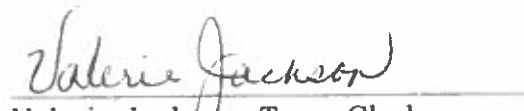
**Other Business:**

A town resident, Ms. Debra Brookins ask if the town had any maps showing what is residential and what areas are commercial. Mayor Yates gave a briefing on general residential and commercial property. He told Ms. Brookins to come and see him because there are maps. Ms. Brookins ask about the property on Creek Drive where McLean Contracting is using while they are working on the bridge. She wanted to know what the future is for said property, or if the owner have any plans for it. Maybe the Town of Winfall could utilize that space she suggested. She also said that lots of people are getting sick, if you are sick than stay at home, don't come out infecting other people.

**Attorney:** Re: **Notice to Government Entities Receiving Court Costs and Fines**, the attorney explained and ask council for approval to take care of it. Councilman Preston White made a motion for the attorney to handle the paperwork on court cost and fines, and was seconded by Councilwoman Valery McDonald and so carried.

At 7:35 pm. A motion was made to **adjourn** the meeting by Councilman Preston White, and seconded by Councilwoman Valery McDonald and so carried.

  
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Mayor Fred Yates

  
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Valerie Jackson, Town Clerk