

TOWN OF WINFALL
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
May 9, 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 Yates.

Those in attendance were Mayor Fred Yates, Mayor Pro-Tem Preston White, Councilwoman Valery McDonald, Councilwoman Carol Cooper, Councilwoman Virginia Harvey 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 with amendment to April 11, 2022, minutes and so carried.

A motion was made on the approval of the April 11, 2022, **minutes** by Councilman Preston White and was seconded by Councilwoman Valerie McDonald, and so carried.

Financial Report:

The Accountant Richard Arnold stated that there were a \$ 2,000.00 increase in roads and grounds for fuel and a decrease in roads and grounds by \$2,000.00 for Street Lights. Also had to increase telephone for roads and grounds by \$500.00 and reduce outside labor by \$500.00. A motion was made on the approval of the **financial report** by Councilman Preston White and was seconded by Councilwoman Valerie McDonald and so carried.

Old Business:

- A. Readvertise for the Seal Bids for the 2001 Crown Victoria- Re-advertise as per Mayor.**
- B. Budget:** Debbie Whedbee told Council they need to revisit and go over the budget. Councils needs to come back together, because at the last meeting they didn't come to an approval. After must discussion regarding the budget, it was decided that council would meet Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

New Business:

- A. The acceptance of the new auditor:** A motion was made on the approval of Thompson, Price, Scott, Adams, and Co., as the Town of Winfall auditors for 2021-2022 by Councilman Preston White and was seconded by Councilwoman Carol Cooper and so carried.
- B. USDA new rules requirement was explained to council regarding budget due in June.** I talked to Monica Thornton, they are required to receive our budget 30 days prior to when due, I explained to her our budget is not completed by then. Councilwoman Cooper wanted to know if we were penalized. No.
- C. Proposed Fee Schedule for 2022-2023:** Councilwoman Carol Cooper suggested that we charge \$ 100.00 to use the park and non-refundable. There is no fee to use the park, is that correct. We should charge something to use the park. Mayor Yates said scratch the refundable for using the park. It was agreed to deal with it at later. A motion was made on the approval of a new fee schedule by Councilwoman Carol Cooper and seconded by Councilman Preston White.
- D. Albemarle Commissions' Contribution Request Approval:** A motion was made on the approval to contribute \$350.00 to Albemarle Commission and was seconded by Councilman Preston White.

E. Perquimans Arts League Request Approval: A motion was made on the approval for a contribution to the Perquimans Arts League in the amount of \$500.00 by Councilman Preston White and seconded by Councilwoman Carol Cooper and so carried.

Other Information:

Notice to Government Entities Receiving Court costs and Fines (Monthly): Attorney Crowe stated we don't have to worry about these letters because we are covered for a year.

Departments Reported: Police, Fire:

Police: Chief Anthony Spellman gave an update on the lady who got hurt, he said she was supposed to bring in her information on tomorrow (May 10, 2022). The actual hazard has been fixed.

Fire Department: Thomas Roach said he was standing in for Chief Corey's place and that we need to get the ball rolling with the repairs on the building, we have a quote, and the insurance company will be visiting tomorrow. He said they were to come down tomorrow. (May 10, 2022). Councilwoman Carol Cooper mentioned that the metal will continue to go up. Councilwoman Carol Cooper made a motion to approve the go ahead with the contractors for the fire department and was seconded by Councilwoman Valery McDonald and so carried. Councilman Preston White recused himself.

Committee Reports: Mayor Yates asks Debbie Parker was there anything; she replied yes, do you want to have a parade this year, what are we going to do. Mayor Yates ask Councilwoman Carol Cooper what she thought. Councilwoman Carol Cooper said it was a lot of work. Debbie Whedbee explained the biggest thing was the bands and setting up. Councilman Preston White told council they need to think about it because the citizens have always been looking forward to it in the previous years. After discussion, they agreed to come back and discuss at the next meeting

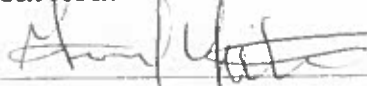
Administration, Public Safety, Recreation: none. Sewer:

Roads & Grounds: Councilwoman Carol Cooper told Council that there were two ditches between Louise and River that needed cleaning. It's near our wonderful nursery. She said she showed them to Derrick, one of the roads and grounds workers.

Other Business: Mayor Yates mentioned that there was a fire at Hollowell mobile home Park and was trying to get it cleaned up. He also mentioned about the fire on 423 Louise Street. Mayor Yates asks council members who many was going to attend the Town Hall Steak Dinner at Raleigh Convention on June 1, 2022. Also, there are many people looking at 301 Main Street and the lots to be divided for sale. Lewis Smith had looked at it and was waiting to hear his answer. I told Mayor Lewis Smith said it was okay.

Attorney: Nothing.

At 7:43 pm. A motion was made to **adjourn** the meeting by Councilman Preston White and seconded by Councilwoman Carol Cooper and so carried.



Mayor Fred Yates

Valeric Jackson, Town Clerk