

TOWN OF WINFALL
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
September 10, 2018 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 p.m.. Invocation was given by Councilman Preston White and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Preston White.

Those in attendance were, Councilman Preston White, Councilman Steav Congdon, and Ken Rominger, Councilwoman Arnetta Ormond and Attorney William Crowe.

Mayor Yates asked Council if there was a **conflict of interest**. None was declared.

A motion was made by Councilman Ken Rominger to approve the **agenda** with changes after Mayor Yates added Waste Industries to new business on the agenda and was seconded by Councilman Preston White and so carried.

A motion was made on the approval of the August 13, 2018 **minutes** by Councilman Steav Congdon, and seconded by Councilman Ken Rominger and so carried.

Financial Report: Report

Old Business:

- A. Tourism Director Mrs. Sharon Smith was not here.
- B. Approval Fire Department Brush Truck: Councilman Steav Congdon informed Council that the Volunteer Fire Department members could not be there for the meeting because they were picking the field before the hurricane got here. Mayor Yates stated that they needed to be here because he had some questions that needed answering regarding the Brush truck. Mayor Yates read the letter attached to the application from USDA and apologized to council for not having a copy. He explained to them that the cost would be \$ 95,000.00, and his question for the accountant is, "do we have that much money around"? Mayor Yates said that we need to pass the documents on to the proper authority because it is a grant. He also told council the sooner we sign it and get it back to Monica Thornton the sooner she can move on with it. Mayor Yates told council that they need to vote and approve it tonight. He asked if they were authorizing him to sign the paper work and if they were comfortable with it. Mayor Yates asked if they wanted him to entertain a motion than he could do that. Councilman Preston White abstained from voting. A motion was made on the approval of the **Fire Department Brush Truck** by Councilman Steav Congdon, and seconded by Councilman Ken Rominger and so carried.
- C. Cliff Towe: No Show.

New Business:

Mayor Yates stated he received another letter from Waste Industries regarding the new rates. He apologized to council for not having a copy and would get them one. He read the letter from Waste Industries and Bay Disposal & Recycling, and a letter that was sent to Brenda Dillard from Waste Industries. Mayor Yates asked council permission to gage the cost by contacting others on a price, and asked permission to go out and get bids from the public over in Washington County to compare the cost and bring back to the next meeting.

Department Reports:

Administration: None.

Roads & Grounds: None

Sewer: None. Weathered it through the storm. No leaks.

Police Department: See report.

Fire Department: None

Committee Reports:

Recreation: None.

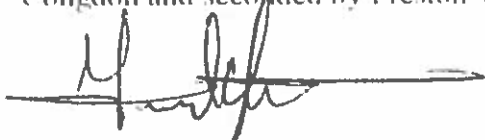
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Attorney: None

Other Business:

Mayor Yates told council that he attended a meeting over at the Emergency Management Services today, September 10, 2018. He presented them with a copy of what was discussed. Mayor Yates told council the support group that met included: Town of Winfall: Fred Yates, Town of Hertford: Pam Hurdle, Horace Reid, Frank Heath, Deputy Clerk to the Board of Commissioners, Wallace Nelson, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, Jonathan Nixon and Social Services. He presented the council with the things discussed regarding Hurricane Florence and North Carolina State of Emergency. He read aloud things that were discussed such as: Current track of the hurricane, heavy equipment needed, North Carolina being declared as a state of emergency, evacuation whether voluntarily or mandatory, school closings, opening of shelter, curfews, sales of alcoholic beverages, purchase of fire arms and pet shelter if Perquimans County declares a state of emergency. Mayor Yates stated that the community would be alerted through Code Red, Facebook, E-mail, and other social media. One of the main concerns was mandatory evacuation. He told council that there would be another meeting held on Tuesday, and it is reported to expect from 19 to 40 inches of rain and reminded them that the crossway into Hertford would flood. Councilman Ken Rominger had concern regarding conceal weapons at the shelter, Mayor Yates said he didn't know because it would fall under the county. Mayor Yates told council that the governor declares the State as a State of Emergency, until the county declares Perquimans County as a State of Emergency that's when other things are enacted and put into place. He said he commended the Volunteer Fire Department for being very instrumental the last time debris clean-up was required.

At 7:30 p.m. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Councilman Steav Congdon and seconded by Preston White and so carried.



Frederick L. Yates, Mayor



Valerie Jackson, Town Clerk