

TOWN OF WINFALL AMENDED

September 25, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

WINFALL TOWN HALL

The regular monthly meeting of the Winfall Town Council was called to order by Mayor Pro-temp Preston Tyrone White at 6:00 p.m. Invocation was given by Mayor Pro-temp Preston White, and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pro-Temp Preston White.

Those in attendance were as follows Mayor pro-Temp Preston White, Councilwoman Valery McDonald, Councilman Christopher Richardson, Attorney Crowe, Town Clerk Valerie Jackson, Debbie Jean Parker office Assistant, Elisha Washington, and CPA Richard Arnold.

Citizen's attending was Robert Valentine, S. McDonald, Lucretia Washington, and Reta Blair.

Mayor Pro-temp Preston White asked if it was a conflict of interest. None was declared.

Approval of the Agenda: A motion was made to approve the agenda for September 25, 2023, meeting by Councilwoman Valery McDonald and second by Councilman Christopher Richardson and so carried.

Approval of the minutes: Councilwoman Valery Mcdonal Made a motion to approve minutes, Councilman Christopher Richardson second that motion and so carried.

Financial Report:

CPA reported Mayor They increased the account of {304.01} Increase the Grant for the Fire Department by (\$17,500.00). Increase account {610.01} Fire Equipment & Maintenance. Secondly Increase account {330.01} Sales Tax Refund by 3,500.00 and was put in the Contingency Account {465.01}. Had to increase the Budget for R&G Building Repairs and Maintenance. {710.01} for \$8,500. Had to increase account {711.02} for \$8,500.00. Had to Decrease account {738.01} Capital Outlay for \$17,000.00. Mayor Por-Tem mentioned it had to go up because of outside Labor. With the new Roads and Grounds employee we should see a decrease in the next few months. A motion was made to approve the financial report by Councilwoman Valery McDonald and was second by Councilman Christopher Richardson and so carried.

Old Business:

- A. **Website information** Ms. Debbie Parker mention that the website has been updated, and it has up to 25 emails that can be added to the site, which includes all council members plus, EMS, and the Fire Department so everyone needs to get in touch with her in the office to walk you through the process of getting set up. Also, any updates for the website may take up to 24 hours to see on site due to us having to submit it first.
- B. **Fire Truck Update** Councilman Richardson stated the town is under a probation so therefore we must get prior approval from two separate agencies from the state to spend more than \$50,000.00 or to exceed anything that's going to last more than three years. So, it is at a standstill now.
- C. **Zoning Contract Update:** Mayor Pro-Temp Preston White stated the permit has been signed by Dollar General and they should be breaking ground within 90 days. Contract for the School there will be a public hearing meeting that is open to the public on October 2nd for questions or concerns there should be someone from the county here to answer any questions that you have.
- D. Councilman Richardson Made a motion to dissolve the existing zoning/planning board, to elect, and approve a new town council member to over see the zoning and planning committee to fill the 5 and 2 alternate members who should be citizens and residents of the Town of Winfall as outlined in section 8.0.2 of the Town of Winfall zoning ordinance last updated **June 14, 2021**. All members should be appointed by the town council the zoning and planning board committee powers of limited.
- E. Mayor Pro Tem made a motion to all planning/ zoning board past and present minutes are recorded and posted to the town of Winfall website as soon as possible there or after, any official meetings or work sessions that have been held within the last 3 years must be posted within 5 business days of this motion passing on or as soon as possible thereafter.

New Business

- a) **Zoning Contract "changes Only"** Council woman Valery McDonald Motion that in the Contract that we have with municipal service state code we have some sections that needed re wording. Starting with section 1. General responsibilities of contractors should provide a professional planner to support The Town of Winfall council which without Administrator Associate with planning and zoning board. Contractors should report to the town monthly with a detailed report. Section 2 should be changed to the Contractors should supply a Certificate of General Liability Insurance with the general amount of \$2 million, the Town of Winfall should be the certificate holder. Section 10 should also state. All documents such as but not limited to draw ups state and federal Environmental submittals all planning and zoning actions legal filling options, statement etc. performed and created by contractor on behalf of the Town of Winfall. All such items should be returned to the Town of Winfall within 60 days of termination of the agreement by either party. Councilman Christopher Richardson second that motion and so carried.
 - b) **Increase in Mowing Fees** Mayor Pro-Temp White Motion to keep original price the contractors used, but add \$50 to the original charge, Councilwoman Valery McDonald second that motion and so carried.
 - c) **Approval of \$600.000 to Chamber of Commerce Yearly dues** Mayor Pro temp White made a motion to approve the \$600 to Chamber of Commerce and Councilman Richardson second that motion and so carried.
- Department:**
- d) **Sewer:** Councilwoman McDonald mention the pumping station, McPherson should be finishing in about two weeks.
 - e) **Police:** Mayor Pro -temp White Stated that Sheriff department has been doing a great job patrolling the area.
 - f) **Fire:** Councilman Richardson, mention they have contacted CPA/Finance officer to work things out, about how they handle things Financially.

Committee reports: None

Administration: None

Roads & Grounds: Mayor Pro-temp Says things are going well they have removed trash from old water Department nice and clean. Also, there is a lot of equipment the Town had is gone. Weed eaters, blowers, no tools, a lot of items we have had to re purchase Lawn mowers are getting serviced. Everything that is being purchased is now being logged in and recorded.

Tourism: Mayor pro-temp White Mentioned they are preparing for the Christmas parade. Sept 15-Oct 31st they are looking for a Grand Marshall if anyone knows of any please let the town know.

Recreation: Councilwoman McDonald mention she had a meeting set up with Howard at the recreational department to help her with getting grant writer for park grants.

Sewer Councilwoman McDonald mention she is still trying to get information on the proper Grant writer to do these Grants since we were denied last year.

Attorney: Attorney Crowe mentioned Winfall had a busy month nothing to report.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There where comments from Mr. Steve McDonald and Mrs. Lucretia Washington

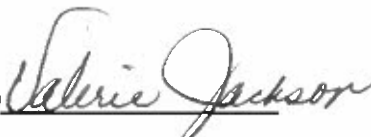
Other Information Public Comments: Valery Jackson office manager mention to public any questions asked please turn them in to her.

Mayor Pro temp Preston White asked for motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Valery McDonald second it and so carried, at 7:25 pm.

Mayor Yates



Valerie Jackson



****Minutes by Deputy Clerk: Elisha Washington**

