

TOWN OF WINFALL

February 10, 2025

WINFALL TOWN HALL

The regular monthly meeting of Winfall Town Council was called to order by Mayor Preston White at 5:00 p.m.

Those in attendance were as follows: Mayor Preston White, Councilwoman Valery McDonald, Councilwoman Cynthia Cunningham, Councilwoman Debera Long, Attorney Crowe, and Town Clerk Valerie Jackson.

1. **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:** Invocation was led by Mayor White, and the pledge was led by Town Council.
2. **Conflict of Interest:** None Declared.
3. **Approval of Agenda:** Councilwoman Cynthia Cunningham made a motion to approve agenda, Councilwoman Debera Long second the motion and so carried, all yes.
4. **Approval of Minutes 01/13/2025 and workshop 01/27/2025:** Councilwoman Debera Long made a motion to approve the minutes from the council meeting on 01/13/25 and the Town Workshop minutes from 01/27/25, Councilwoman Cynthia Cunningham second the motion and so carried, all yes.
5. **Financial Report:** Councilwoman Cynthia Cunningham made a motion to accept and approve the financial report as given, Councilwoman Debera Long second it, and so carried, all yes.

New Business:

- A. **Personnel: Part-time employees' benefits approval:** Town clerk stated it would be tabled until Town Workshop.
- B. **Thompson, Price, Scott, Adams & Co., P. A. Engagement Letter & Contract:** Town Clerk Valerie Jackson stated she has completed the Audit for the past four years and with the suggestion of waiting until the auditors fix their mistake but look for new auditors for the future.
- C. **Administrative Amendment:** Councilwoman Valery McDonald made a motion to approve the amendment, Councilwoman Debera Long second the motion and so carried, all yes.
- D. **Sharon Smith:** was not in attendance.
- E. **Workshop for February 2025:** Council Agreed to 02/24/2025 at 5:00 p.m.
- F. **Response to public comments:** Advisory Board coming, posting on website, on the front door, put emails out about new advisory board with the Town of Winfall.
- G. **Hertford Savings CD/NC Capital Management Trust approval transfers more money:** The account was closed and transferred to NC Capital Management Trust with no penalty.
- H. **Electronic Policy and procedure for electronic payments:** Councilwoman Debera Long made a motion to table policy until next workshop meeting, Councilwoman Cynthia Cunningham second the motion and so carried, all yes.
- I. **Demolition permits for Commercial & Rental \$100.00 to \$250.00, Residential stays the same:** Councilwoman Cynthia Cunningham made a motion to raise Demolition Permits to \$250 for commercial properties. Councilwoman Debera Long second the motion and so carried, all yes.
- J. **Boat Ramp:** The town is in the process of looking for some grants to help get a Boat ramp put in at the park.
- K. **Property at end of the Bridge:** The Town is working on trying to add a park bench and flowers. For those that would like to walk the S-Bridge and view scenery.

Departments

- a) **Sewer:** Councilwoman Debera Long reported Contractor has finished up sewer clean outs this week, we now are 100% done with those that needed to be fixed.
- b) **Police (Public Safety):** Police and Sheriffs have had a presence in the neighborhood patrolling have had some roadblocks nothing major to report as of now.
- c) **Fire:** Pancake supper coming up February 27th, needs upgraded radios, also waiting on towns attorney for meeting.
- d) **Administration:** Town clerk Valerie Jackson reported that office staff are on a roll with payroll have been doing good with time clocks. TR2 has been completed and turned into the State that's where we work on Budget. That's where our figures will come from, we use for our tax rates.
- e) **Roads & Grounds:** Had a snow, State came through and cleared main roads. Hurdles cleared out town roads. Dante Johnson has been doing a great job keeping debris clear, picking trash up, checking flooded areas, fixing signs and doing a great job.
- f) **Tourism:** Nothing new to report, they have a plaque for the Middle School going on the Historical route amongst the County.
- g) **Zoning:** Nothing to report.
- h) **Recreation:** Nothing to report.
- i) **Grants:** Councilwoman Debera Long reported she received LOI update we were invited to submit full application for the proposed project we submitted for the sewer.

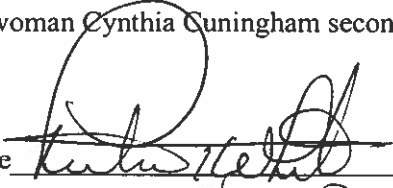
Attorney: Nothing new to report.

Councilwoman Valery McDonald made a motion to move meetings back to 6:00 p.m. in March after daylight savings time, Councilwoman Cynthia Cunningham second the motion and so carried, all yes.

Public Comments: None

Adjourn: Councilwoman Debera Long made a motion to adjourn at 5:50 p.m. Councilwoman Cynthia Cuningham second the motion and so carried, all yes.

Mayor Preston White



Valerie Jackson, Town Clerk/Finance



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