

Public Hearings-

- Adopt Land Use Plan Text – no one spoke
 - Amend Zoning Ordinance – Accessory Dwelling, Attached and Detached – no one spoke
 - Approve Special Use Permit – American Racing Headers
- Candice Lowder, Stanly County EDC Director, expressed gratitude to the Board for supporting this project as she believes ARH is a good fit for Stanly County and Stanfield. Public Hearings closed.

Town of Stanfield Minutes of Regular Meeting for May on May 5, 2022

Determination of Quorum

A quorum was determined with the presence of Mayor Kevin Barbee, Commissioners James Kluttz, Jerry Williams, Faye Love, Brent Holbrooks, and Greg Bratton.

Call to Order

Mayor Kevin Barbee called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

Approval of Agenda

James Kluttz made a motion to accept the agenda as written. All in favor. Motion approved.

Approval of Minutes

Brent Holbrooks made a motion to accept the minutes from April 7, 2022, as written. All in favor. Motion approved.

Approval of Bills

Faye Love made a motion to pay the bills. All in favor. Motion approved.

Administration/Finance

Faye Love summarized the Year-to-date Financial Report showing all accounts aligned with the approved budget. She also encouraged those in attendance to recognize National Teachers Week, National Mental Health Awareness Month, and National Foster Care Month.

Public Safety

Brent Holbrooks reviewed the Monthly Police Report. He then made a motion to add a sixth police officer position to the Stanfield Police Department. Kevin asked if Brent would be okay holding that motion until the full Budget discussion later in the meeting. Brent agreed.

Streets

Greg Bratton informed the Board of a drainage issue that is resolved. He is still waiting for quotes for paving projects.

Parks & Recreation

Greg is working with Brent on several PARTF projects including the repair of the ballfield steps drainage and expansion of the concession stand restrooms. The playground/adult fitness and swings are installed. Pads for cornhole and backstops for horseshoes are also completed.

Water & Sewer

Jerry Williams gave updates for the water and sewer departments.

Planning & Zoning

James Kluttz made a motion to adopt the Town of Stanfield Land Use Plan text. All in favor. Motion approved. The Plan will be posted on the town website.

James Kluttz made a motion to amend the Stanfield Zoning Ordinance regarding Accessory Dwelling, Attached and Detached, definitions. All in favor. Motion approved.

James Kluttz made a motion to approve the Special Use Permit application submitted by American Racing Headers Inc. Brent recused himself from the vote due to BE Holbrooks bidding on construction for ARH. All in favor of approving the SUP. Motion approved.

Mayor

Kevin Barbee recognized the passing of Keith Austin who served as a Stanfield Commissioner from 2002 to 2003. A memorial was made in his name to NC Baptist Children's Homes.

Kevin reminded all that the resident white goods pickup is scheduled for Saturday, May 21.

He brought attention to Community Fun Day, also scheduled for May 21, at Pete Henkel Park.

Public Comment

No one spoke.

Public Comment session closed.

James Kluttz made a motion to enter closed session at 7:23pm for Contract and Personnel. All in favor. Motion approved.

James Kluttz made a motion to exit closed session at 7:30pm. All in favor. Motion approved.

Budget Discussion

Kevin began a discussion regarding the FY '22-'23 Budget. He explained the plan to appropriate all American Rescue Plan Act funds to salaries in the upcoming year as allowed by Federal Uniform Guidance; then all replaced salary funds can be used for any special projects the Board finds beneficial for the Town. **Kevin recognized Brent's motion from earlier to add a sixth police officer position to the Stanfield Police Department.** He asked for discussion and Police Chief Corie Faggart stated his reasons for requesting a sixth officer position for the Police Department. Corie spoke in detail explaining the need and then answered all questions. **Kevin then reminded all that a motion is on the table to add the sixth officer. All in favor. Motion approved.** The cost of an additional officer will be added to the '22-'23 Proposed Budget. Several other details were discussed for the upcoming budget including major expenditures: repaving streets, purchasing an additional police vehicle, Hwy 200 sidewalk project, and sewer system monitoring. Bridgette explained a hand-out showing a necessary increase in water and sewer rates due to increases in wholesale water purchase and sewer treatment from Stanly County Utilities. A new fee (2.5% upcharge) is proposed to be added to payments made with credit or debit cards beginning July 1. A final decision on the employee medical insurance plan will be made in June. Bridgette stated that several fee and rate sheets, and additional documents, will be part of the final Proposed Budget Ordinance.

James Kluttz made a motion to hold a Public Hearing on June 2 to hear comments related to the Proposed Town of Stanfield FY '22-'23 Budget. All in favor. Motion approved.

Jerry Williams made a motion to adjourn at 8:42pm. All in favor. Motion approved.