

**Town of Stanfield
Minutes of Regular Meeting for February
on February 2, 2023**

Determination of Quorum

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

Call to Order

Mayor James Kluttz called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Approval of Agenda

Brent Holbrooks made a motion to accept the agenda as written and accept the move for the introduction of new police officers under the approval of minutes. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Faye Love made a motion to accept the minutes from January 5, 2023, as written. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Chief Corie Faggart introduced 2 new officers Kinsley Fore and Ian Barclay. He also introduced Grant Nelson that who is in the process of hiring.

Public Comment Session: No one spoke

Waste Management: Marilyn Wells and Tim Davis came to speak to the board on all the issues the town has had with the service. Pretty much since the pandemic can't find drivers and can't get new trucks and having a hard time keeping their current fleet working.

James Kluttz says we would like to have more communication, if you are not going to get garbage or recycle on time, just give us a call or email, this way Wanda and Bridgette can communicate with the residents. Marilyn did agree there is a communication problem. When it is leaf season and the leaves are wet, it is a harder job getting them and will take longer.

Administration/Finance

Faye Love summarized the Monthly Financial Report for January. A copy is always available if anyone would like to have a copy.

February is Black History Month.

The Town Hall roof has been leaking and the roof is in bad shape. Brent has been working on this to get a quote and get repaired. He got a quote from Zac Bowman to replace the roof and repair any damage in the amount of \$13,500.00. After a discussion with the board, they agreed to give a buffer of up to \$14,500.00.

Brent Holbrooks made a motion to replace the Town Hall roof and not to exceed \$14,500.00. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Public Safety

The monthly report was read and gone over.

Brent Holbrooks wanted to discuss in depth our police officers' salaries. We have a good police force, and we want to keep our police officers. In this day and time, it's very hard to find police officers. Brent Holbrooks has come up with a pay scale of different options. The board had spreadsheets of different options. This board wants the salaries to be a little higher than anyone in the county, so hopefully, we can keep full police staff and keep our citizens protected.

Brent Holbrooks made a motion to accept the Sub-optimal Salary scale along with paid holidays. This will be effective immediately with a new hire, and effective April 1 for all current employees. All were in favor. Motion carried.

This will give Corie a scale he can go by when he hires someone new. This will give substantial increases.

Streets

Greg Bratton has received 4 proposals to pave S Love Chapel from River Rd to West Stanly St. Greg Bratton will be looking at these bids closely to make sure they are comparable. He will bring a recommendation to the board next month.

The Hwy 200 Sidewalk Project that the Town of Stanfield wanted to stop – The TCC and the TAC boards denied the stopping of this project. They will get back to the Town of Stanfield, this project is on pause at this time.

Parks & Recreation

Greg Bratton has received the final plans for the ballfield steps.

Greg Bratton made a motion to accept these plans. All were in favor. Motion carried.

This will be sent out for bids.

The concession stand and bathrooms are underway of being remodeled. This is going well, hopefully, this will be completed soon.

Greg Bratton made a motion to amend line per line on the PARTF grant. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Greg Bratton made a motion to accept an agreement with Tennisbloc. All were in favor. Motion carried.

This group will be using our tennis court at the park.

Water & Sewer

We are working on finishing up the 2 other monitors for the sewer. Hopefully, this will be completed soon.

Planning & Zoning

Nothing at this time.

Mayor

Resident limb pick up will be Saturday, March 18 by Waste Management.

We need to be working on looking into the 2023-2024 Budget Preparation. We need to start this discussion at our next meeting in March.

Jerry Williams made a motion to renew the Deer Urban Archery Season for 2024. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Greg Lucas made a motion to go into a closed session. All were in favor. Motion carried.

At this time James Klutz asks Wanda and Bridgette to be excused.

Greg Lucas made a motion to come out of the closed session. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Brent Holbrooks made a motion to adjourn. All were in favor. Motion approved.