



MINUTES
TOWN OF STOKESDALE
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
8325 ANGEL-PARDUE ROAD
STOKESDALE, NC 27357
MAY 11, 2023 AT 7:00 PM

Member's present were: Mayor Mike Crawford; Mayor Pro-Tem Derek Foy; Council Members: Jimmy Landreth, Tim Jones, and Jim Rigsbee; Town Attorney Charles Winfree; Finance and Budget Officer Kim Thacker, Town Clerk Dale Martin and Deputy Town Clerk Robbie Wagoner.

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Invocation.

Mayor Mike Crawford called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilman Tim Jones delivered the invocation.

2. Review and Adopt the Agenda.

Mayor Pro Tem Derek Foy asked that item #14 be heard prior to item #12.

Mayor Crawford added a Closed Session, item # 16A for the purpose of consulting with the Town Attorney.

Mayor Crawford made a **Motion** to adopt the agenda as amended. Councilman Landreth seconded the motion.

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| Mayor Crawford | Aye | Mayor Pro Tem Foy | Aye |
| Councilman Landreth | Aye | Councilman Jones | Aye |
| Councilman Rigsbee | Aye | | |

Motion carried.

3. Review and Adopt the following Minutes: a) March 31, 2023 Special Called Meeting

Mayor Pro Tem Foy made a **Motion** to approve the minutes as presented. Councilman Landreth seconded the motion.

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| Mayor Crawford | Aye | Mayor Pro Tem Foy | Aye |
| Councilman Landreth | Aye | Councilman Jones | Aye |
| Councilman Rigsbee | Aye | | |

Motion carried.

4. Public Safety Reports:
a) Stokesdale Fire Department

Fire Chief Deputy Randy Southard presented the Fire Department’s report.

b) Guilford County Sheriff’s Office

Mayor Crawford read the Guilford County Sheriff’s report.

Councilman Jones called a Point of Order due to the attendance of a dog in the audience owned by Mark Nadel and objected to him be present.

A brief discussion was held regarding the Town’s lack of a policy to address this matter.

Mayor Crawford made a **Motion** to allow the Mayor to decided if the animal can stay or not, should he object, the animal must be removed. Councilman Landreth seconded the motion.

It was stated that this shouldn’t be up to the Mayor.

Councilman Rigsbee **amended** the motion to allow the dog to stay provided he doesn’t cause a disturbance. Mayor Crawford and Councilman Landreth accepted the amendment.

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| Mayor Crawford | Aye | Mayor Pro Tem Foy | No |
| Councilman Landreth | Aye | Councilman Jones | No |
| Councilman Rigsbee | Aye | | |

Motion carried 3-2 vote.

5. Administrative Reports:

a) Administrative Report: Town Clerk Dale Martin presented the administrative report.

b) Planning Board:

Justin Snyder, Guilford County Planner, updated Council and the audience on work being done to update the Guilford County’s Comprehensive Plan. He advised of a series of workshops held beginning in August. Anyone interested in following the matter can sign up to receive notifications of all future meetings and workshops.

c) Events Committee:

Mayor Pro Tem Foy announced the Christmas Parade as the second Saturday in December. Stokesdale Elementary School will be holding a Bike Parade tomorrow at the park.

d) Property Committee:

Councilman Landreth advised that the sewer control panel has been fixed.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy updated Council on the Eagle Scout project for a fire pit in front of Town Hall. The project was not approved by the Scout Master as proposed. They would like to propose pavers instead of concrete and asked for objections to this change. None presented.

Mayor Crawford asked for an update on the mirror to be hung in the men's room at the park. Mr. Wagoner stated that the brackets are different from the previous mirror and that it will require two people to hang.

e) Town Park Improvement Committee:

Chairman Tee Stephenson provided an update to Council on the status of the playground improvements and that contracts have been executed in regard to these projects. He noted that he visited area courts and presented pictures of those courts that were installed by Carolina Sports Court. He presented pictures of area pickleball courts at Bur-Mill Park and noted the wear and tear already visible on the courts that were constructed over concrete. He added that the courts planned by Carolina Sports Court will not be laid over concrete.

Mr. Stephenson stated that a proposal was solicited from Yates Construction for the repair of an area adjacent to the walking trail that is needed prior to construction. He noted that this would be discussed later in the meeting.

6. Financial Reports:

a) Finance/Budget Officer: Kimberly Thacker

Mrs. Thacker presented the financial reports for both the General Fund and Water Fund accounts.

7. Citizen's Comments from the Floor (3-Minute Limit per Speaker).

Maria Adams, Summerfield, expressed her concern with the Guilford County School Board's process for filling the vacant seat of Pat Tillman who was elected to the County Commissioners. She noted the qualifications of Mr. Michael Logan, the nominee that the School Board has refused to appoint. She expressed concern in that lack of representation and the process by which the seat was filled by Mr. Bill Goble.

Several Council members also expressed their concern over the matter.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

8. Rezoning Case # 23-03-PLBD-00041, 7884 ZZ Eversfield Road, Stokesdale, NC. This property is located on the east side of Eversfield Road (SR 2032), approximately 615 feet south of the Lambert Lake Road intersection on Guilford County Tax Parcel

#150412. This is a request to rezone the subject property, which contains 22.65 acres, from AG, Agricultural, to RS-30, Single-Family Residential. The Planning Board will make a recommendation to the Stokesdale Town Council, which will have the final authority to approve or deny the request. The applicants upon any major development of the property intend to, and are required to, connect to Stokesdale's water system.

Mayor Crawford introduced the public hearing item and deferred to Guilford County Planner Justin Snyder to give the Staff Report.

Mr. Snyder stated that the location of the property is on the east side of Eversfield Road (SR 2032) approximately 615 feet south of the Lambert Lake Road intersection in Guilford County. He noted that this request is to rezone the property from AG to RS-30. He presented a description of the RS-30 residential district and presented the overall gross density of this district to be 1.3 units per acre.

Mr. Snyder presented the characteristics of the area, the existing land uses in the surrounding area. He noted the area would fall under the protection of the Stokesdale Fire Department, served by the Town's water system and private septic systems. He noted any road improvements would be required by NCDOT. He noted the topography of the area and added that there is no regulated floodplain on the property and is not located in a designated water supply watershed. He noted two mapped streams on the property.

Mr. Snyder stated that staff recommends approval of the request as presented, the rezoning is consistent with the future land use plan and is reasonable and in the public interest because it is adjacent to similarly zoned residential uses in the area and will provide low-density housing opportunities for citizens and in an area served by Stokesdale municipal water.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy pointed out on the staff report an error that the rezoning requested is RS-40 however, it is RS-30.

Councilman Jones questioned the two streams on the property. Mr. Snyder confirmed that there are two streams mapped on the property which may be underground but according to their records, do exist.

Mayor Crawford declared the public hearing open.

In Favor:

Chris Roar, Land Solutions, Highway 68, Oak Ridge, NC – noted the request is to rezone 22.6 acres to RS 30 and noted that it is consistent with Land Use Plan and is reasonable for the area. He stated that they held an Open House here at town hall where 3 or 4 residents showed up. He pointed out that the Planning Board and Staff recommends approval and asked for the Council support to rezone the property.

In Opposition:

None presented.

Mayor Crawford closed the public hearing.

Councilman Rigsbee made a **Motion** to approve the rezoning in Case # 23-03-PLBD-0041 for property located at 7884 ZZ Eversfield Road, Stokesdale, NC.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy asked for an **amendment**, that the request is consistent with the Stokesdale Land Use Plan and is in the public interest.

Councilman Rigsbee accepted the amendment.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy seconded the motion.

Councilman Jones announced that he is related to the seller’s estate in this matter but has nothing to do with this property. The Town Attorney advised him to disclose this information. There is no conflict of interest and therefore allowed to vote on the matter.

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| Mayor Crawford | Aye | Mayor Pro Tem Foy | Aye |
| Councilman Landreth | Aye | Councilman Jones | Aye |
| Councilman Rigsbee | Aye | | |

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

9. Discussion regarding the recording of Closed Sessions (Continued from April 13, 2023, Regular Town Council meeting).

Mayor Crawford stated that this item was continued from the last meeting. He reminded Council that the lack of a policy could open the Town up to litigation and deferred to the Town Attorney.

Town Attorney Chuck Winfree explained that there are certain things that the law says are not disclosed and presented some examples. He explained the liability that the Town accepts by recording closed sessions. The Town could be liable if for any reason information contained in closed session got out to the general public prior to it being permissible to be released. He presented the following five options for the Council to consider.

1. Adopt no policy, permitting unrestricted recording of minutes and imposing no requirement for deletion of recordings.
2. Adopt a policy completely prohibiting the recording of closed meetings.
3. Adopt a policy that allows only the Town Clerk to record to assist with minutes, with the recording to be secured and deleted after the minutes are approved. Before

minutes are finalized, any member of Town Council, the Town Clerk, or Town Attorney could listen to the recording.

4. Adopt a policy that allows only the Town Clerk to record, and the recording is preserved indefinitely but secured. Council would need to decide if members of Town Council who were not members at the time of the closed session could listen to the recording, and if people who were on the Council at the time of the meeting could listen to the recording after their terms run.
5. Adopt a policy that allows any participant to record, but requires the deletion of the recording once the minutes of the closed session have been approved.

Council discussed all types of scenarios and pros and cons of both recording and not recording closed sessions. The Town Attorney recommended Council adopt a policy to incorporate option #3 and once those minutes are approved, the recording is destroyed.

Mayor Crawford made a **Motion** to adopt Option #3 Adopt a policy that allows only the Town Clerk to record to assist with minutes, with the recording to be secured and deleted after the minutes are approved. Before minutes are finalized, any member of Town Council, the Town Clerk, or Town Attorney could listen to the recording.

Councilman Rigsbee seconded.

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| Mayor Crawford | Aye | Mayor Pro Tem Foy | No |
| Councilman Landreth | No | Councilman Jones | No |
| Councilman Rigsbee | Aye | | |

Motion failed 2-3.

Councilman Rigsbee made a **Motion** that we adopt a policy to completely prohibit the recording of closed session. Mayor Crawford seconded that motion.

Councilman Jones cited situations in the past for open sessions and closed sessions where both Staff and Council members used the tape for clarification purposes. Councilman Landreth cited situations where people were misquoted in the minutes and they came and asked the minutes to be changed.

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| Mayor Crawford | No | Mayor Pro Tem Foy | No |
| Councilman Landreth | No | Councilman Jones | No |
| Councilman Rigsbee | Aye | | |

Motion failed 1-4.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy stated that he is in favor of option #4 and to follow the records retention policy.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy made a **Motion** to adopt option #4: Adopt a policy that allows only the Town Clerk to record the meeting, and the recording is preserved indefinitely but secured. Council would need to decide if members of Town Council who were not members at the time of the closed session could listen to the recording, and if people who were on the Council at the time of the meeting could listen to the recording after their terms run.

Mayor Crawford offered an **amendment** that the Council members who were not members of the Council at the time would have access to the recording of closed sessions. He didn't feel Council should decide who has access. He stated that the previous Town Attorney advised that he would have access to closed sessions after he was elected to office. He believed once you are elected to the Town Council you should have access to whatever is at Town Hall.

Mr. Winfree stated that the flip side of that would be that once someone goes off the Council they would no longer have access to closed session information.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy restated his **Motion** to adopt a policy that allows the Town Clerk and any Council member to record a closed session meeting, previous Town Council members that are new to the Board could listen to any closed session recording as long as they are an elected official. Once a Town Council member's term ends they would no longer have any access to closed session meetings. Mayor Crawford seconded the motion.

Mr. Winfree asked what happens to the recordings. Council continued to discuss the concern with securing these recordings appropriately.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy **amended** his motion to adopt a policy that the Town Clerk record all closed session meetings and preserve that closed session meeting and it should not be discarded and that any Town Council member shall not make personal recordings of any closed session meetings on their personal device. However, any Council member may listen to any closed session meeting during their time in office. Councilman Rigsbee seconded the motion.

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| Mayor Crawford | No | Mayor Pro Tem Foy | Aye |
| Councilman Landreth | No | Councilman Jones | No |
| Councilman Rigsbee | Aye | | |

Motion failed 2-3.

NEW BUSINESS:

10. Consideration of a Resolution setting filing fees for Town of Stokesdale Municipal Election on November 7, 2023.

Mayor Crawford made a **Motion** to approve Resolution R-2023-06 setting the filing fees for Town of Stokesdale Municipal Election.

Councilman Jones asked to **amend** the motion to set the filing fee at \$10.

Mayor Crawford did not accept the amendment.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy seconded the motion.

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| Mayor Crawford | Aye | Mayor Pro Tem Foy | Aye |
| Councilman Landreth | Aye | Councilman Jones | No |
| Councilman Rigsbee | Aye | | |

Motion carried 4-1.

11. Consideration to allow Deputy Town Clerk to attend 2023 Clerks Summer Conference and 2023 Master Clerks Academy.

| DESCRIPTION | COST | NOTES |
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| North Carolina Association of Municipal Clerks Summer Conference (August 24 - 26, 2023) (Embassy Suites by Hilton - Wilmington, NC) | | |
| Registration | \$ 700.00 | |
| Accommodations | \$ 1,000.00 | 4 Nights At \$250 Per Night |
| Meals | \$ 80.00 | 4 Meals At \$20 Per Meal |
| Mileage | \$ 305.00 | 460 Miles X \$0.655 Per Mile = \$301.30 |
| Parking | \$ 80.00 | |
| TOTAL | \$ 2,165.00 | |
| UNC School of Government 2023 Master Clerks Academy (November 15 - 17, 2023) (Beaufort Hotel - Beaufort, NC) | | |
| Registration | \$ 580.00 | |
| Accommodations | \$ 315.00 | 3 Nights At \$105 Per Night |
| Meals | \$ 60.00 | 3 Meals At \$20 Per Meal |
| Mileage | \$ 335.00 | 505 Miles X \$0.655 Per Mile = \$330.78 |
| Parking | \$ 80.00 | |
| TOTAL | \$ 1,370.00 | |
| TOTAL COMBINED COST | \$ 3,535.00 | |

Mayor Crawford made a **Motion** to approve the attendance by the Deputy Town Clerk to both the NC Association of Municipal Clerk's Summer Conference and the UNC School of Government 2003 Master Clerks Academy. Mayor Pro Tem Foy seconded the motion and offered an amendment to include the expenditure up to \$4000, funds to be pulled from the Administrative Assistant salary line item.

Mayor Crawford accepted the amendment.

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| Mayor Crawford | Aye | Mayor Pro Tem Foy | Aye |
| Councilman Landreth | Aye | Councilman Jones | Aye |
| Councilman Rigsbee | Aye | | |

#14. Consideration of a Capital Project Ordinance for construction of Park Improvements and/or Water Line Extensions.

Town Clerk Dale Martin informed Council that in accordance with NCGS 159 13.2 a capital project ordinance is required and read the general statute. She further explained that once the budget is adopted, any change would require an amendment to the Capital Project Ordinance. The ordinance should identify the project as well as the funding source being used.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy made a **Motion** to adopt the following Capital Project Ordinance No. O-2023-04, funds from the \$50,000 Small Town Development Grant and the American Rescue Plan funds for the balance.



**ORDINANCE NO. O-2023-04
AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FUNDING OF
THE STOKESDALE TOWN PARK CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE FUND**

BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Stokesdale, North Carolina, that pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following Capital Project Ordinance is hereby adopted:

Section 1: The project authorized is for the Stokesdale Town Park Improvements described as the addition of a basketball/pickleball court, a playground equipment set, the development of nature trails, and upgrades to the existing park grounds.

Section 2: The revenues for the above-mentioned improvements shall be **established** as follows:

| Account Number | Account Name | Total Budget |
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| R-002000 R-002500 | Basketball/Pickleball Court, Playground Equipment Set, & Nature Trails | \$550,000.00 |
| R-002000 | Upgrades to Existing Park Grounds | \$50,000.00 |

Section 3: That expenditures for the above-mentioned improvements **appropriated** as follows:

| Account Number | Account Name | Total Budget |
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| E-002000 E-002500 | Basketball/Pickleball Court, Playground Equipment Set, & Nature Trails | \$550,000.00 |
| E-002000 | Upgrades to Existing Park Grounds | \$50,000.00 |

Section 4: The Finance/Budget Officer is hereby authorized to maintain, within the capital project fund, sufficient and specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the disclosure requirements of all contractual agreements, if applicable.

Section 5: Funds may be advanced from the General Fund for the purpose of making payments as due. Reimbursement requests should be made to the granter agency in an orderly and timely manner.

Section 6: The Finance/Budget Officer is directed to report, on a quarterly basis, on the financial status of each project element in **Section 2** and **Section 3** as mentioned above. Furthermore, the Finance/Budget Officer is instructed to include a detailed analysis of past and future revenues and expenses during each annual budget submission made to the Town Council over the life of the project.

Section 7: This Capital Project Ordinance shall be entered into the minutes of the Town Council after adoption. Copies thereof shall be filed with the Finance/Budget Officer and Clerk to the Town Council.

Adopted this 11th day of May, 2023.

Mayor Crawford seconded the motion.

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| Mayor Crawford | Aye | Mayor Pro Tem Foy | Aye |
| Councilman Landreth | Aye | Councilman Jones | Aye |
| Councilman Rigsbee | Aye | | |

Motion carried.

12. Consideration to Construct Basketball and Pickleball Courts at Stokesdale Town Park.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy referred to comments by Mr. Stephenson earlier and then provided a summary of the proposed basketball courts and the pickleball courts to the Town's Park. He presented pictures of the proposed courts.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy made a **Motion** to accept the proposal submitted by CJ Builders, Inc. in the amount of \$297,836, as General Contractor to oversee the construction and to manage all contracts in the construction of the basketball and pickleball courts at the Town Park and the subcontractor, Carolina Sport Court, will install the support surface for the basketball and pickleball courts, the funding source will be the \$50,000 Small Development Grant from the Federal Government Grant with the balance coming from the American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds.

Councilman Jones seconded the motion and offered the following **amendments**:

1. The eight (8) ft. fence, backed to a ten (10) ft. fence.
2. Soil compaction test

Councilman Jones recommended that a soil study be considered. He noted scenarios that could come into play and Council discussed ways to address the soil concern in the proposal and to have an engineer conduct a study.

Council discussed having the Town Attorney draft a contract with CJ Builders.

Councilman Jones then withdrew his request to include the soil test as an amendment to this motion but asked that the ten foot fence remain. Mayor Pro Tem Foy felt someone must be very aggressive to get a ball over an eight foot fence. Councilman Jones then withdrew this amendment for a ten foot fence.

Councilman Jones seconded the motion again.

Mrs. Thacker stated that she has received an email this morning from the NC League of Municipalities stating that the ARP funds, any money spent to a person or business, the Town must make sure that they have not been suspended or de-barred from the Federal Government and cited three options for verifying their information. Mrs. Thacker asked the Town Attorney if this would apply to subcontractors and would the Town be responsible for verifying subcontractors information as well. Mr. Winfree stated he felt it should apply to the General Contractor and the primary subcontractor, Carolina Sports Court.

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| Mayor Crawford | Aye | Mayor Pro Tem Foy | Aye |
| Councilman Landreth | Aye | Councilman Jones | Aye |
| Councilman Rigsbee | Aye | | |

Motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy made a **Motion** that the Town Attorney draft a contract for CJ Builders and to be executed by the Mayor.

Mayor Crawford seconded the motion.

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| Mayor Crawford | Aye | Mayor Pro Tem Foy | Aye |
| Councilman Landreth | Aye | Councilman Jones | No |
| Councilman Rigsbee | Aye | | |

Motion carried, 4-1.

13. Consideration of Proposal to Repair areas of Erosion at Stokesdale Town Park.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy explained the repair needed at the Town Park and that Yates Construction has evaluated the situation and submitted a proposal for the repairs.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy made a **Motion** to accept the proposal from Yates Construction in the amount of \$4,500.00 for erosion control repairs. He added that it be funded by the American Rescue Plan funds.

Mayor Crawford seconded the motion.

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| Mayor Crawford | Aye | Mayor Pro Tem Foy | Aye |
| Councilman Landreth | Aye | Councilman Jones | Aye |
| Councilman Rigsbee | Aye | | |

Motion carried.

15. Relocation of Curraghmore Court water system blow off assembly.

Councilman Jones stated that he requested this item; however, he does not have all the paperwork and requested that this item be continued to the June meeting.

Councilman Jones made a **Motion** to continue this item to the June meeting. Councilman Landreth seconded the motion.

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| Mayor Crawford | Aye | Mayor Pro Tem Foy | No |
| Councilman Landreth | No | Councilman Jones | Aye |
| Councilman Rigsbee | No | | |

Motion failed 2-3.

Council discussed whether or not Council members can continue an item off the agenda without a vote. Town Attorney recommended action by Council.

Councilman Jones stated that he did not have the paperwork and was not able to discuss the matter.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy then asked Mr. Wagoner to explained the work being performed by A & D Enterprises. Mr. Wagoner explained the process of flushing the Town's blowoff valves and noted various issues such as leaks and faulty equipment that were found.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy then addressed the issue at his house, whereby his driveway was dug up. He noted that he wrote a check reimbursing the Town for tearing up his driveway and paid to have it repaved. He expressed a concern with the method and timing of being notified that this was going to happen. He expressed a concern with how this would be handled in other situations.

Council continued to discuss this situation and the responsibility of the Town to correct situations such as this in the future.

Councilman Rigsbee made a **Motion** for the Town incurs the cost going forward and to reimburse Mr. Foy for what he paid to the Town. Mayor Crawford seconded the motion.

Councilman Jones suggested that Mr. Foy recuse himself.

Councilman Rigsbee **amended** his motion to state the Town to incur the cost for maintenance of the valves going forward. Mayor Crawford accepted the amendment.

Council discussed future construction and preventing the valves from being in the driveways going forward. It was suggested that the Town consult with Rural Water Association on this matter.

Council Rigsbee restated his **Motion** that the Town accept the liability and cost incurred for the current blowoff project.

Mayor Crawford offered an **amendment** that this pertains to existing construction and not future construction.

Several Councilmembers agreed to hold this matter open until we talk with Rural Water Association and then come back for future discussion to develop a policy going forward.

Councilman Rigsbee then made a **Motion** to reimburse Mr. Foy for \$1250 that he paid to the Town. Councilman Landreth seconded the motion.

Councilman Jones asked for an opinion by the Attorney in regard to Mr. Foy recusing himself.

Councilman Rigsbee withdrew his motion.

16. Citizen’s Comments from the Floor (3-Minute Limit per Speaker).

Mr. Stephenson noted that site plans are approved by Guilford County and asked if these valves are marked on these plans and is it in the Town’s water specs.

Councilman Jones explained that the general contractor is ultimately responsible for working around all utilities. Mr. Stephenson asked how these valves are located and Councilman Jones explained the tracer wire that runs with the mains.

16 a. Closed Session for the purpose of Consulting with the Town Attorney and preserving the Attorney-Client Privilege.

Mayor Crawford made a **Motion** to enter into Closed Session at 9:54 PM for the purpose of Consulting with the Town Attorney and preserving the Attorney-Client Privilege. Mayor Pro Tem Foy seconded the motion.

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| Mayor Crawford | Aye | Mayor Pro Tem Foy | Aye |
| Councilman Landreth | Aye | Councilman Jones | Aye |
| Councilman Rigsbee | Aye | | |

Motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy made a **Motion** to enter into Open Session at 10:29 PM. Mayor Crawford seconded the motion.

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| Mayor Crawford | Aye | Mayor Pro Tem Foy | Aye |
| Councilman Landreth | Aye | Councilman Jones | Aye |
| Councilman Rigsbee | Aye | | |

Motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy announced that Councilman Jones was excused from the meeting during the Closed Session.

17. Council Comments.

Councilman Rigsbee stated that any citizen that wants to know what happens at the Town Council meeting should watch it for themselves if they want to know the truth.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy wished all the mothers a Happy Mother's Day and happy anniversary to the Landreths.

Councilman Landreth wished his wife Karen a Happy 36-year Anniversary. Karen was in the audience and attends all Council meetings.

Mayor Crawford thanked everyone for attending.

18. Adjournment.

Mayor Pro Tem Foy made a **Motion** to adjourn the meeting at 10:31 PM. Councilman Landreth seconded the motion.

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| Mayor Crawford | Aye | Mayor Pro Tem Foy | Aye |
| Councilman Landreth | Aye | Councilman Jones | Aye |
| Councilman Rigsbee | Aye | | |

Motion carried.

Being no further business to come before Council the meeting was adjourned at 10:31 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **The Town of Stokesdale Town Planning Board meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 25, 2023, has been cancelled.**
- **The Town of Stokesdale Town Council will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, June 08, 2023, at 7:00 PM inside the Town Hall Council Chambers.**

Approved: July 13, 2023

Michael E. Crawford, Mayor

ATTEST:

Robbie Lee Wagoner II, Town Clerk