

TOWN OF STOKESDALE
Regular Council Meeting
8325 Angel Pardue Road
Stokesdale, North Carolina
June 18, 2013

The regular meeting of the Stokesdale Town Council was held on Tuesday, June 18, 2013 at the Stokesdale Town Hall at 8325 Angel Pardue Road.

Council members in attendance: Mayor Randle Jones, Mickie Halbrook, Randy Braswell, Frank Bruno and William N. (Bill) Jones.

Others present included: William B. Trevorrow, Town Attorney; Deputy Scott Casey, Guilford County Sheriff's Department; Michael Albert, Town Planner; Steve Spalding DBA My Groundsman; Donna McCall, Deputy Clerk; Carolyn Joyner, Town Clerk/Finance Officer.

Mayor Jones called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Council considered the agenda. Ms. Halbrook made a motion to adopt the agenda. Mr. Bill Jones seconded the motion. All members voted aye and the agenda was adopted.

Council reviewed the minutes of January 18, 2013 Budget Workshop; February 8, 2013 Budget Workshop; February 13, 2013 Insurance Workshop; February 15, 2013 Internal Controls/Separation of Duties Workshop; February 19, 2013 Regular Town Council Meeting; March 1 Budget Workshop; March 15 Budget Workshop; and March 19, 2013 Regular Town Council Meeting. Mr. Bruno noted that in the January 18, 2013 Budget Workshop minutes, a comma was in the wrong place and it should read \$26,000. Mr. Braswell made a motion to accept the minutes with the correction noted. Ms. Halbrook seconded the motion. All Council members voted aye and the minutes were adopted.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

Bobbi Dalton, 8634 Oak Level Church Road asked if the library could open on weekends so that people could check out books when they were not working. Mayor Jones suggested asking the Library Committee to look into this.

NEW BUSINESS:

REPORT FROM GUILFORD COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT: Sheriff Scott Casey reported 16 calls that generated reports since the last Town Council meeting. There were two Part I crimes with two suspects in one of the Part I crimes. Crime has been low.

Board of Adjustment Case: Sid and Lisa Chiang Map Parcel # 0150596: Sid and Lisa Chiang are requesting variances from the Stokesdale Development Ordinance, Section 4-1 Dimensional Requirements, Section 4-1.1(A) Dimensional Requirements for Agricultural and Single Family Districts to allow for the placement of a single-family structure within the front-yard setback, in front of the minimum building line.

Mayor Jones said that Council would recess and the Board of Adjustment would convene.

Mr. Albert said that the applicant was requesting two variances. Table 4-4-1 sets the lot standards for RS-40 zoning district. The lot is wedge-shaped. The proposed residence is in front of the existing RS-40 front yard setback which is forty feet. Because the lot is wedge-shaped, the setback is moved further back. Lots have a minimum width they must reach before becoming a legal lot. Because the lot does not meet the road at minimum 150 feet of frontage that is required, the setback becomes 79 feet. Diagrams are provided which show this. The applicant needs a variance from Table 4-4-1 for both the RS-40 setback and for the minimum lot width of 150 feet.

Mr. Albert said that all of the legally required notices and postings have been done and the dates are in the packet for Council's review.

Joe Yideloski, Lisa Chiang, Eric GoodyKoontz, Misty Goodkoontz and Scott Thornhill were sworn in by Mayor Jones.

Those speaking in favor of the request:

Joe Yideloski, General Manager of Schmacher Homes in Greensboro, said that he had been contracted to build a new home for the Chiangs. He said that they have assessed the site and found that the lot drops off to the rear of the property. He said that there is about a 10 foot height difference from the front to the rear of the home. If the setback requirements are met, then the house would be unsafe. From the back of the house to the ground would be an 18 feet difference if it is placed at the proper location.

Lisa Chiang, the applicant, said the main issue would be the soundness of the structure and the ability to somewhat use the backyard for her two children and to be able to maintain the backyard. It is not a cul de sac but there are plans to extend the road in the future.

Mr. Yideloski said that the site plan with current setbacks that do not meet the zoning requirements has been approved by the Homeowners Association.

Mr. Bill Jones said that it is a basement lot. He asked why you would buy a basement lot and build a one story house on it. Mr. Yideloski said that the customer decides on the budget and the kind of house that is built.

Mr. Eric Goodykontz, Flat Rock Road, said that he owns the lot and originally cleared the lot and was going to build a basement house on it, however even with a basement house, a retaining wall would have to be built. They found a house on Flat Rock Road and bought it instead of building a house. The lot does drop off severely toward the creek area. It is the biggest lot in the development. It is at the end of the road but there are plans to continue it in the future.

Ms. Chiang said that it was not obvious to them that it was a basement lot.

Mr. Bill Jones said that the next lot was similar in shape and if someone built a house on it, they would be looking at the back of the house. Mr. Albert said that the minimum lot width is 150 Feet. The lot width at Moores Mill Road is effectively 120 feet at the road. The next lot is about 150 feet at the road but may need some alteration to put a home further back on the lot.

Scott Thornhill said that he and his wife are the realtors that have assisted the Chiangs. The setback is where the issue came up. Some lots that are wedge or pie shaped are typically located on a cul-de-sac. Some are less pie shaped than others. The issue of the setback came up on this particular lot. This lot had everything that they wanted and this one issue is the only obstacle.

Mr. Albert had roughly measured the lot next door and found that it was not 150 feet at the intersection. It would also require some alternation as well.

Mr. Braswell asked if the lot has been purchased. Mr. Thornhill replied that it has not been but it is under contract with Eric and Misty Goodykontz still owning it.

No one spoke in opposition of the case.

Mayor Jones closed the Public hearing at 7:40 pm.

Mr. Braswell said that letters have been mailed to the adjacent property owners. He asked who the property owners were. Mr. Albert said that the adjacent property owners were the Moore's Mill Development Group, Mr. and Ms. Goodykoontz, Pauline Preston, and David Whittall. He said that he had two phone calls from them. One call was from the son of the president of Moores Mill Development Group and there was a call from an unidentified person who said they would send in a letter but they have not.

Mr. Braswell asked if the house across the street would have been an adjacent property owner. Mr. Albert said that was correct. Mr. Braswell asked if there was a letter from the homeowners association in favor of the variance. Mayor Jones said that nothing was presented as evidence but testimony was given.

Mayor Jones said that pursuant to the requirements for the Board of Adjustment under section 9-5.8 Granting of a variance he would move to grant variances appropriate under the following rules, conditions and finding of fact and would take note of the following facts presented into evidence:

The adjacent property owners were notified by letters mailed May 28, 2013. Properties were posted May 5, 2013 and advertising of the Public Hearing in local newspaper was conducted on June 7, 2013. A Public Hearing was held by the Stokesdale Board of Adjustment on June 18, 2013. Witnesses were properly sworn and testimony given with witnesses coming forward in favor of the matter and none appearing in opposition. Based on the testimony received and the evidence obtained during the hearing, make the following findings of fact:

1. With regard to this specific property, there is no reasonable use due to its wedge shape and natural slope and it prevents a structure from being constructed on the lot as it currently exists under the existing standards that would be structurally sound and that it could not be used for its intended purpose or any other reasonable purpose and that other neighboring lots are similarly situated.
2. The hardship results from the nature of the property itself specifically due to the lot's conditions and the natural slope of the area and is not the result of any actions of the applicant.
3. The hardship results from the application of the Ordinance for RS-40 setback and minimum lot frontage setback.
4. This is not the result of the applicants' own actions or any construction or action by the applicants in this matter.
5. This represents the least possible deviation from the Ordinance and will not substantially detract from the character of the neighborhood or similar lots in the neighborhood and this is at the end of the construction area. It is the same or similarly situated lot. The heights would be disproportioned and structurally not sound to build under the current ordinance requirements.
6. This assures the public safety and does substantial justice and prevents an unsound structure from being constructed in the area and benefits to the public safety to that extent in that this would not present any potential harm to the area or adjacent homes, structures or properties.

Based on these reasons and the finding of facts, Mayor Jones made a motion that the variance be granted. Ms. Halbrook seconded the motion. All Council members voted aye and the variance was granted.

The Board of Adjustment adjourned at 7:51 pm and reconvened as Town Council.

SPOTSWOOD ROAD RENAMING #13-03-STPL-01140: Renaming a portion of previously named Spotswood Road to a new name: Walter Combs Way. Located in Bruce Township and running approximately 2400' south from the US Highway 158 & US Highway 220 intersection, being Secondary Road #2104.

Mr. Albert said that NCDOT was moving forward and this matter was presented to citizens some time back. A spreadsheet has been created that details those affected by this request. There are four properties in Stokesdale with all of the owners voting for the name that has been put forth here. It is a dead end service road. There is a positive recommendation from the Planning Board.

Ms. Halbrook made a motion to change the name to Walter Combs Way. Mr. Bruno seconded the motion. All Council members voted aye.

Public Hearing: Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Budget and Adoption of Budget Ordinance #82: There were no comments from the Public regarding the proposed Budget. Mr. Bruno made a motion to accept and adopt the Budget as written for the 2013-2014 Budget Year. Mr. Bill Jones seconded the motion and added that he was not

happy that it was not balanced but he did not see any way to make other cuts. Mayor Jones said that he had concerns about the adequacy of funding for the operation and maintenance of the Park and the ability to promote the public safety therein. Council members voted three to two in favor of the motion with Mayor Jones and Ms. Halbrook voting no. Budget Ordinance #82 was adopted.

Town Hall Hours of Operation: Mr. Bruno made a motion that starting on July 1, to change the hours of operation of Town Hall to be open Monday through Friday from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm.

Mayor Jones asked how and who was going to staff it. Mr. Bruno said that there was adequate money in the budget now to staff it and Council would have to come up with a schedule. Ms. Halbrook said that she didn't understand when we can't meet our budget, why we would need to keep Town Hall open until 5:00 pm when people come when they need to now and she didn't see any need to stay open.

Mr. Braswell seconded the motion. Mayor Jones said that his concern was being able to get the work done, how to staff it, and what it was going to open for. He asked if it would be open for all business and if the Library would be open and what hours that it would be open and the cost of having it open.

Mr. Bruno said that Town Hall is a public facility and needs to be open to serve them. A lot of people want to come in the afternoon and we are closed. There is staff in place and the budget is in place and it would serve the public the same as it does now.

Mayor said that it is not the hours but the staffing and how it is going to be arranged. Mr. Bruno said that set up a schedule based on the current staff. Mayor Jones asked if time cards would be used. Mr. Bruno said that the same situation as is being used now would continue to be used. Mayor Jones asked if it would be supervised versus non-supervised since there is training situation now. Mr. Bruno said that Donna should be able to check herself in and out. Council voted 3 to 2 in favor of the motion with Mayor Jones and Ms. Halbrook voting no.

Town Hall Daily Log: Mr. Bruno made a motion to starting July 1 to have a daily phone log in addition to a daily record of emails printed out and kept in a log book and in addition to that to have a weekly email sent out with a review of all of the weekly activities at Town Hall. Mr. Braswell seconded the motion. Mr. Bruno said requests for people who want to use Town Hall would be sent out to Council in the weekly email. All emails sent to the Town would be included in the record of emails. Council voted 3 to 2 in favor of the motion with Ms. Halbrook & Mayor Jones voting no.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Generators: Preventive Maintenance: After questions from Council, Ms. Joyner indicated the quote from Clarke for the Town Hall generator was included in Council's folders and that annual maintenance for the portable generator was quoted in November 2012 at \$460.00. Nixon Power Services in May 2012 had quoted annual maintenance for the Town Hall generator at \$786.00. Mayor Jones made a motion made a motion to have Clarke to do the annual maintenance on both of the generators. Mr. Bruno made a friendly amendment to do the recommended repairs on the portable generator. Ms. Halbrook seconded the motion. Council voted unanimously in favor of the favor of the motion.

Use of Audio Recordings as Minutes of Council Meetings: Mr. Trevorrow had reviewed the General Statutes and he had talked with the Institute of Government. He said that you can use a recording of the meetings but the preservation and retention of the recordings is the problem. The Department of Cultural Resources who deals with the preservation and archives of the actions taken by local governments says that it is best to have paper records. Electronic minutes (recordings) can be subject to mischief and the formatting of electronic records by Cultural Resources says there are several different formats of recordings and they do not have the different formats to make them available to the public. Paper copies are standardized and readily available to the public while recordings made electronically may not be as easy to make available. The caveat is that most counties and towns go beyond what is required for the minutes. The only requirement is to record the action taken by Council. There would be no historical information or background or reasons to say why the vote made. Mr. Trevorrow said that the action of Council would be the motion, the second, and the vote, whether it passed or failed. The vote of each individual member of Council would not be recorded unless a Council person asked for the ayes and nays to be recorded.

Separation of Duties Document: Mr. Bruno said that he had used information from an earlier workshop and talked to other Towns about their policy. Mayor Jones suggested that a draft of a document should be available for the next meeting.

Use of Purchase Orders: Mr. Bill Jones had provided a copy of a work/repair order. He said that it was a contract for labor and repairs. For example it would be used if someone wanted the soccer goals to be moved and for camera repairs and irrigation system repairs. He said that it may go to the Chairman of the Maintenance of Town Property Committee for recommendation. The Clerk had provided some of the policies that other Town's use for this repair orders and purchase orders. Mayor Jones said that it could be placed back on the agenda when there is more information.

Park Issues:

Conditions and Procedures for Playing Field Usages: Mr. Braswell asked who placed the item on the agenda. Ms. Joyner said that Donna had said that it was requested by Mr. Braswell. Mr. Braswell began discussion of the next item.

Posting of Information and Field Schedules in English and Spanish for Public Review: Mr. Braswell made a motion that the Park information board located in front of the concession stand to have both English and Spanish information. The Park rules are only in English and everything should be in Spanish. Mayor Jones asked if it would include when the Park is reserved. Mr. Braswell said that it would be included. Mayor Jones seconded the motion. Mayor Jones said that he knew interpreters who could translate the proposed text and have it translated. Mr. Braswell said the wildlife literature may be available in Spanish. Mayor Jones summarized the motion as follows: To post information at the fields in both Spanish and English and put them on the front door and at the Park. Council voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Mr. Braswell made a motion to have the same number of signs in Spanish as there are English ones warning of wildlife in the area. Mr. Bill Jones suggested that permanent signs could be purchased rather than temporary ones. Mr. Braswell agreed to redraw his motion until pricing for permanent signs could be obtained.

Mr. Braswell said that "a. Conditions and Procedures for Playing Field Usages" was from a conversation with the Clerk about cancelling play on the fields when, for example, they were too wet. He said that Parks and Recreation had continued to play when there was excessive mud on the fields when irrigation repairs were being made.

Consider Facility Use Agreement for the Park: Mayor Jones made a motion to approve the request from a Church group for the use of the Park on July 4. Mr. Bruno seconded the motion. Council voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Committee and Board Reports:

Formation of a Sub-committee for Maintenance of the Town's Property: Mr. Bill Jones suggested that a committee could be formed to oversee the Park and Town property. He said the Committee would help schedule volunteers to help do maintenance and to mow the Park. He made a motion to accept applications for a Committee for the Maintenance of Town Property. He would work on guidelines to submit to Council for the committee. Mr. Bruno seconded the motion. Mr. Braswell said that he would be on the Committee. All Council members voted aye in favor of the motion.

Public Safety Committee: Mr. Bill Jones reported that there has not been a Public Safety Committee meeting in three years. He had contacted Mr. Hooks, the Chairman of the Committee and he said that he would be willing to continue acting as the Chairman. He suggested that all committee members should be contacted to see if they are willing to continue serving. Mayor Jones said that James Attaway, while on Council, and Mary Hardin were certified by the Red Cross and had worked with the Committee in the past. Mr. Bill Jones made a motion to ask for new members of the Public Safety Committee and to see if current members will continue to service and to have a public safety committee update. Ms. Halbrook seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved the motion.

Departmental and Administrative Reports

Finance Report: May, 2013: Ms. Joyner reported that assets for General Fund had decreased from the previous

month. Checking account activity included a deposit of \$2,671.16 of ABC profits. Culp Inc. had paid \$5,800 for planning fees for a site plan. Guilford County was paid \$15,690.13 for first quarter law enforcement. Accounts Payable included an invoice from Guilford County for second quarter animal control services in the amount of \$3,183.25. Receipts for sod for the repairs at the soccer fields have been presented. \$342.00 has been budgeted for this expenditure. The annual ABC profits totaling \$20,897.94 were deposited into the General Fund Savings account.

The Water Enterprise Fund report for May, 2013 reflected an increase in assets from the prior month. The checking account report included the deposit of \$1,196.60 for reimbursement for a damaged fire hydrant. Yates Construction was paid \$4,716.60 which covered repairs to two fire hydrants, reading meters, and \$220 for assisting with the cleaning of the water tank. There was no information on the second fire hydrant that had been damaged so a claim could not be filed.

Administrative Report – Town Clerk/Deputy Clerk:

Clerk's Report: The Consumer Confidence Report for the water system is now available. Notices for the report were printed on the water bills and the report is posted on the Town's website. The Clerk will be meeting with Attorney Brian Walker per his request, later this week to assist in the preparation of interrogatories and discovery document. Ms. Joyner reported that approximately \$190.00 had been received from Interstate Credit Collections for the collection of one account that had been placed with them.

Ms. Joyner said that Mr. Bill Jones had presented receipts for irrigation repairs in the amount of \$60.00. Expenditures for the Park repairs does not have funds to cover this expenditure since the payment for the sod for the soccer fields will use all funds remaining in this expense item and it is the end of the fiscal year so a budget amendment is needed.

Mr. Braswell noted that the Safety Checklist from Steve Spalding shows that some other repairs are needed. He suggested adding some funds are needed to cover those items. Mr. Braswell made a motion to have a budget amendment to cover the hinges for one of the concession stand doors and to reimburse Bill Jones for irrigation supplies and repair the safety hinge on the Park gate for a total of \$250.00. Ms. Halbrook seconded the motion. All Council members voted aye and the motion carried.

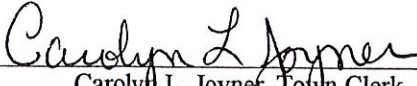
OTHER BUSINESS:

Consider a Resolution Encouraging Citizens to Commemorate JUNETEENTH with the International Civil Rights Museum on June 19, 2013: Mr. Bruno made a motion to support the resolution. Mr. Braswell seconded the motion. All Councilmembers voted aye and the Resolution was adopted. A copy of the Resolution is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the minutes of the meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Mayor Jones read the announcements listed on the agenda.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL: Mr. Bruno announced that Four Corners Chamber of Commerce will meet on Thursday, June 20 at 5:30 at BJ's Grill.

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Jones made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Bill Jones seconded the motion. All Council members voted aye. The meeting adjourned at 9:31 pm.


Carolyn L. Joyner, Town Clerk

Approved:


D. Randall Braswell, Mayor

TOWN OF STOKESDALE
BUDGET ORDINANCE #82
FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the Town of Stokesdale, North Carolina:

Section 1: The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the **General Fund** for the operation of the Town government and its activities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for this Town:

General Government	\$119,065.00
Capital Outlays	\$1,000.00
Cultural & Recreational	\$56,600.00
Economic & Physical Development	\$33,750.00
Public Safety	\$94,600.00
Transportation	<u>\$3,750.00</u>
	\$308,765.00

Section 2: It is estimated that for the following revenues will be available in the **General Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014:

Beer & Wine Excise Tax	\$21,500.00
Franchise Tax	\$247,000.00
Cable Franchise Fees	\$8,000.00
ABC Profit Share	\$10,500.00
Contributions & Donations	\$850.00
Miscellaneous (Town Hall/Park Rental)	\$150.00
Planning Fees	\$4,000.00
Interest on Investments	\$1,800.00
Estimated Fund Balance Transfer	<u>\$14,965.00</u>
	\$308,765.00

Section 3: The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the **Water Sewer Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014 in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore approved for the Town:

Unappropriated Fund Balance	<u>\$1,250.00</u>
	<u>\$1,250.00</u>

Section 4: It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the **Water Sewer FUND** the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013 , and ending June 30, 2014:

Investment Earnings	<u>\$1,250.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$1,250.00</u>

Section 5. The following amounts are appropriated in the **Water Enterprise Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014:

Administrative	\$64,000.00
Maintenance	\$24,000.00
Water Purchase	\$207,000.00
Capital Reserve	<u>\$0.00</u>

\$295,000.00

Section 6. It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the **Water ENTERPRISE FUND** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014:

Taps and Connections Fees	\$8,000.00
Investment Income	\$1,100.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$1,500.00
Water Sales	\$205,000.00
Late Fees	<u>\$15,000.00</u>
Total Income	\$230,600.00
UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	<u>\$64,400.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	\$295,000.00

Section 7. The following designated reserve funds are held in the Account Fund Balance and are herewith re-budgeted as authorized appropriations in the 20123- 2014 Fiscal Year. Proposed specific expenditures of any of these said designated reserve funds must first be approved by Town Council, if not already specifically authorized, before being committed for expenditure.

Conservation: Open Space/Conservation Rights	\$39,000.00
Town Hall - Future Planning	\$0.00
Patrol Car Reserve	<u>\$23,500.00</u>

DESIGNATED RESERVES - GENERAL FUND \$62,500.00

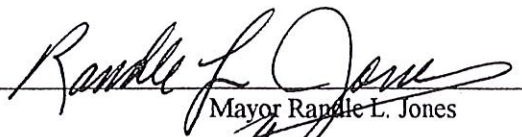
Water/Sewer Fund Reserves \$804,000.00

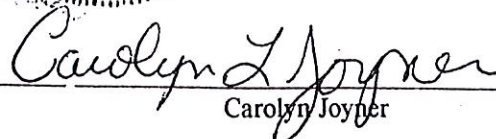
TOTAL - ALL DESIGNATED RESERVES \$866,500.00

Section 8: Copies of this budget Ordinance shall be furnished to the Clerk of the Governing Board and to the Budget Officer and Finance Officer to be kept on file by them for their direction in the disbursement of funds.

Adopted this 18th day of June, 2013.




Mayor Randle L. Jones


Carolyn Joyner Town Clerk

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TOWN OF STOKESDALE
P.O. BOX 465
STOKESDALE, NORTH CAROLINA 27357

BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #9
June 18, 2013

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the Town of Stokesdale, North Carolina, that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013:

Section 1: To amend the General Fund, expenditures for Expense Accounts: Park Maintenance the accounts are to be changed as follows:


	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Cultural & Recreational		\$ 250.00

Section 2: To amend the Revenues to the General Fund as follows:

Undesignated Fund Balance	\$ 250.00
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Section 3: Copies of this budget amendment shall be furnished to the Clerk of the Governing Board, and to the Budget Officer/Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this 18th day of June, 2013.



Randle L. Jones Mayor

ATTEST:



Carolyn L. Joyner Town Clerk

**RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING CITIZENS TO COMMEMORATE *JUNETEENTH* WITH
THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL RIGHTS CENTER & MUSEUM
June 16 and June 19, 2013**

WHEREAS, the International Civil Rights Center & Museum, 134 South Elm Street, Greensboro, North Carolina—a historic landmark, an exhibiting and collecting institution, and an educational service organization—promotes an understanding of the struggles for equality, justice, and freedom in the United States of America and across the world; and

WHEREAS, the International Civil Rights Center & Museum has since its opening in 2010 annually commemorated *Juneteenth*, i.e. June 19, 1865, the date when bondsmen, women, and children in Texas learned about their emancipation from slavery; and

WHEREAS, the International Civil Rights Center & Museum recognizes that many across the United States dedicate *Juneteenth* to honoring the campaigns against bondage and the quests to achieve the ultimate civil right, freedom; and

WHEREAS, the International Civil Rights Center & Museum will commemorate *Juneteenth* with two major activities in 2013:


A Celebration of Unity, a gospel festivity featuring an interfaith prayer, a multicultural and ecumenical community mass choir consisting of vocalists from area houses of worship, and renowned gospel recording artist Vickie Winans performing selections from her well know repertoire at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, 1301 Alamance Church Road in Greensboro, on Sunday, June 16 at 4:00 pm; and

A Juneteenth Telethon and Radio-thon, simultaneously broadcast on WFMY-TV2 and WQMG, on June 19, 6:00 am to 6:00 pm, to garner support to underwrite the 2013-14 admission fees for 112,000 pupils from across North Carolina who will participate in its ***Building a Better America through Core Democratic Values: An Educational Initiative for Social Studies Students in Grades 4, 5, 8, and 11***; as well as secure sustainability for the International Civil Rights Center & Museum;

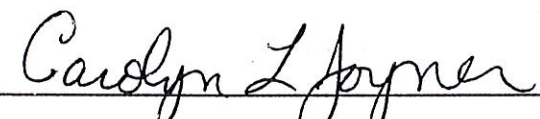
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, we call upon all to citizens to join the International Civil Rights Center & Museum in a commemoration of *Juneteenth*, and hence a tribute to freedom, by supporting ***A Celebration of Unity*** on Sunday, June 16, 2013, and ***A Juneteenth Telethon and Radio-thon*** on Wednesday, June 19, 2013; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that when we commemorate those who fought for freedom, we affirm our collective belief in the values of life, liberty, and equal protection under the law for all those desiring a more just and humane society.

Adopted this the 18st day of June, 2013.


Randle L. Jones, Mayor

Attest:


Carolyn L. Joyner, Town Clerk