

**TOWN OF JONESVILLE**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**May 13, 2019**

The Town of Jonesville Council met for the Regular Monthly Board Meeting on Monday, May 13, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Jonesville Town Hall.

Council Present: Mayor Gene Pardue Absent -  
Anita Darnell  
Wayne Moore  
Andy Green  
Tracy Wall  
Regina Adkins

Others Present: Michael Pardue, Town Manager  
Wendy Thompson, Town Clerk/Finance Director  
Chief Dane Mastin  
Tim Collins, Director of Utilities  
Andrew Brown, Town Attorney

Mayor Pardue called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Agenda**

Mayor Pardue requested the Board review the May 13, 2019 Agenda for approval as presented. A motion was made by Council Member Green to approve the Agenda with the addition of adding the request for sale of property to the Agenda. A second was made by Council Member Wall and approved by unanimous vote. 5-0

**Public Hearing on Recreation Vehicle Park Conditional Use Permit**

Mayor Gene Pardue read a general statement regarding the purpose for the Public Hearing stating a public hearing was being held on a Recreation Vehicle Park Conditional Use Permit for parcel numbers 154798, 123908 and 123934 upon request filed by Chad Newton and Jim Reese.

Town Clerk Wendy Thompson read the Hearing Notice & Statement of Purpose in accordance with N.C.G.S. 160A-81, also stating the purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive input from citizens and hear their concerns.

**Presentation of Testimony and Evidence**

Before giving any testimony or evidence each person must be sworn in by the Town Clerk, Wendy Thompson.

Town Manager Michael Pardue was sworn in and reviewed the finding of facts set out in the attached Final Order for Approval Conditional Use Permit.

Doug Chappell, Chair of the Board of Adjustment/Planning Board was sworn in and reviewed the steps taken by the two boards as required by the State and the County. The board held a  
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public hearing as provided by law with no opposition. He stated the boards are in agreeance with the permit and would request approval by the Council.

Town Attorney, Andrew Brown stated that if there is no questions at this time from the Council the petitioners need to be given the opportunity to ask questions of Mr. Chappell. There were no questions at this time.

Applicant Chad Newton was sworn in and spoke on behalf of himself and his partner, Jim Neese. He thanked the Council for their time and stated that they had searched for a long time to try to come up with what they felt was a key area, one, for a success for our business, two, a town that could really benefit from it not only financially but the values and views they want for their park.

### **Testimony and Evidence from the Public**

Ken Nicks was sworn in and spoke regarding his concerns of the Greenway Trail Park area. Mr. Nicks was concerned about the safety of children with the additional traffic in and out of the trail head.

Town Attorney, Andrew Brown stated that if the Council or Petitioners had any questions to ask of Mr. Nicks they need to be given that time. The Mayor addressed the Council for any questions they may need to ask. There were no questions or comment at this time.

The Mayor then addressed the Public asking if there was anyone else. Since there was no comment, the Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 7:23 pm.

The Council then reviewed the material and evidence before them regarding the Conditional Use Permit. A motion was made by Council Member Darnell to table the item until the June 10, 2019 regular Town Council meeting at 7:00 pm. A second was made by Council Member Adkins and approved by unanimous vote. 5-0

### **Approval of Minutes**

The Town Council reviewed the April 15, 2019 Town Council Minutes. An error was found in the minutes on page 3 in the third full paragraph leaving out the motion. A motion was made by Council Member Green to delay approval of the minutes until it is corrected. A second was made by Council Member Darnell and approved by unanimous vote. 5-0

### **Public Comment**

Mayor Pardue opened meeting for Public Comment. There was no public comment.

## **Monthly Finance Report**

The April monthly finance report was presented to the Town Council by Wendy Thompson, Finance Director. A motion was made by Council Member Darnell to approve the monthly financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Wall and approved by unanimous vote. 5-0.

## **Departmental Reports**

Departmental reports were included in the agenda packets and verbally by the following:

Water/Public Works – Tim Collins, Director of Utilities

Police Department – Chief Dane Mastin

Fire Department – Board Member of Arlington Fire & Rescue Andy Green

Manager's Report & Code Enforcement – Michael Pardue, Town Manager

During delivery of his departmental report Chief Mastin stated that the Police Department has been locking the park between the hours of 10:00 pm and 7:00 am. It has helped with night issues.

## **New Business**

Town Manager, Michael Pardue presented before the Council the following:

- Ron Ashman, chairperson with the Yadkin Valley ABC Board addressed the Council regarding House Bill 971 (Modern Licensure Model for Alcohol Control) filed on April 25, 2019 and this bill privatizes the retail sale and wholesale distribution of liquor, allows a minimum of 1,500 permits to be issued to any business that sells food (grocery stores, convenience stores, pharmacies, variety stores, etc.) or to any retail business, with additional numbers of permits available for issuance based on population growth, with retail liquor sales authorized between the hours of 7am and 2am; and with those businesses allowed to ship liquor directly to individuals in and out of the State. For fiscal year 2018, local ABC Boards distributed \$430,635,861: County-City Distributions \$80 million; State General Fund \$323 million; Local Alcohol Education/Treatment \$13 million; Local Law Enforcement \$8.8 million; Rehabilitation Services \$5 million; Operation of ABC Commission/Warehouse \$17.7 million. Furthermore, the bill calls for all ABC stores to be liquidated by January 2020. Already used pre-payment allowed so Towns are liable for loan and prepayment penalties.

A Resolution in Support of the Current ABC Control System for the Sale of Liquor was reviewed by the Council. Motion was made by Council member Moore, that our board signs the resolution in support of the current ABC control system that is in place now. Privatization would be very detrimental to our ABC board here and detrimental to our community. A second was made by Council member Wall. Comment was made by Council Member Green that "I do not support alcohol but for the safety of the citizens, I'm not looking at dollars and cents, but for the safety of the citizens and control of the times of sells and forcing people that want to buy alcohol as far as spirits from the ABC store, if they are going to purchase it they have to go to the ABC store. So, for that it's not that I support alcohol but for that I support this Resolution. I just wanted to make that statement before we vote. The motion was approved by unanimous vote. 5-0

- An Ordinance Declaring A Road closure for the Jonesville-Elkin Christmas Parade was presented on behalf of the Elkin Downtown Business Association to allow for a new route for the parade. This Ordinance is required by the NC DOT before they will approve any road closures. A motion was made by Council Member Wall to approve the Ordinance Declaring A Road closure for the Jonesville-Elkin Christmas Parade. A second was made by Council Member Green and approved by unanimous vote 5-0
- a request for speed bumps on River Road including a petition for the Town Council. A copy of the petition is attached to these minutes. Town Manager stated it would take approximately \$800.00 to put in a speed bump. A motion was made by Council Member Wall that research their request that a speed bump be put in place. A second was made by Council Member Darnell and approved by unanimous vote 5-0.
- Council Member Darnell requested the Town Manager go over some of the events that are happening May 31st and June 1<sup>st</sup>. The Town Manager responded with the following activities:
  - May 31<sup>st</sup> – stage set up for a ribbon cutting a celebration that day of the greenway trail  
Dr. Blakley is leading a group down to the historical site by the river.
  - June 1<sup>st</sup> – 3 bands, food and a 5k. There is an activity by Parrish Tire.
- Requested the Council authorize the Town Manager to execute a contract to sell property located at 143 W. Main Street, Parcel #122420 to Eric Daniel Ward, high bidder under the following conditions:
  1. Purchase price \$60,000.00
  2. 20% financed by the Seller/Town being \$12,000 (Seller hold lien as 2<sup>nd</sup> lienholder)
    - a. Forgivable \$12,000 loan if Buyer reinvests in the property, capital investment at 2:1 ratio
    - b. 3-year term with up to \$4,000 forgiven each year at a 2:1 ratio (Buyer must spend \$8,000 for \$4,000 credit)

- c. If Buyer does not make the required capital investment each year, the annual payment is not waived and payable
- d. If Buyer does not fulfil the conditions of the 3-year capital investment on the property, any credits and outstanding balance becomes due and payable

A motion was made by Council Member Darnell for the Town Manager to be able to execute a contract for the sale of the property. A second was made by Council Member Adkins and approved by unanimous vote 5-0.

A motion was made by Council Member Wall to go into closed session to discuss potential litigation with the Town Attorney. A second was made by Council Member Darnell and approved by unanimous vote 5-0.

A motion was made by Council Member Darnell to go back into open session. A second was made by Council Member Adkins and approved by unanimous vote 5-0.

There was no more business to be discussed at this time.

### **Adjourn**

A motion was made by Council Member Darnell to adjourn the meeting. A second was made by Council Member Wall and approved by unanimous vote. 5-0.

  
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**The Honorable Gene Pardue**  
**Mayor Town of Jonesville**

  
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**Wenona C. Thompson, Town Clerk**

