

**MINUTES OF THE WHITSETT TOWN COUNCIL**  
**December 8, 2020**  
**Whitsett Town Hall Building**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Whitsett Town Council was held on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at the Whitsett Town Hall. The following members of the Town Council were present: Mayor Richard Fennell, Mayor Pro Tem Jerry Rice, and Council Members Cindy Wheeler and Lee Greeson. Absent was Council Member Jamie King.

Also present was Town Administrator Ken Jacobs. Absent was Planning Board Chairman Bob Maccia. No media was present, and no public attended.

Mayor Fennell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., noted that a quorum was present; and asked Mayor Pro Tem Jerry Rice to offer the invocation.

**SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR**

Mayor Fennell asked for any speakers from the floor, and irrelevant.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**1. Adoption of the Minutes**

Mayor Fennell asked for any changes to the minutes from the November 10, 2020 regular monthly meeting; and hearing none, asked for a motion to adopt the minutes. Council Member Lee Greeson made a motion to adopt the minutes as written; motion seconded by Council Member Cindy Wheeler. The motion to adopt the November minutes passed by unanimous vote of those present.

**2. Any Other Old Business**

Mayor Fennell asked if there were any other old business; and there was none.

## **BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **1. Planning Board**

With the cancellation of last week's Planning Board meeting, there was nothing to report.

### **2. Enforcement Officer**

Enforcement Officer Ken Jacobs reported that since the last Council meeting, two development clearance permit certificates had been issued to: (1) Swaim Electric to change out HVAC unit at 6736 Burlington Road, and (2) David and Gina Bledsole at 7122 Gusenbury Road to enclose a carport.

### **3. Town Administrator**

Town Administrator Jacobs reported that at the end of calendar year 2020, all Town bank accounts held at First Bank exceed \$705,000 in aggregate. Accounts include one central checking account, one central money market account, and five staggered CD investment accounts. Council Member Cindy Wheeler asked for a reclarification of how the staggered process works with respect to the CDs.

Jacobs explained that initially CD terms were 1-year, 2-year, 3-year, 4-year, and 5-year accounts. As each original CD matures a year apart, it is renewed for a 5-year term establishing the perpetual staggered annual maturity at the higher 5-year rate.

Town Administrator Jacobs stated that he is still on track for applying for the \$10,800 COVID allotment to the Town. And, finally Jacobs announced that there is a new business in Town in the former florist location on Burlington Road. Its name is Moongate Lane, and it specializes in vintage home furnishings and home décor. An open house is planned for this Friday, December 11.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Adoption of Council Meeting Dates for 2021**

The 2021 schedule for monthly Town Council meetings was presented to Council Members for its annual adoption and transmission to Guilford County, as well as posting on the Town's website. Mayor Fennell asked for a motion to adopt the calendar; and Mayor Pro Tem Jerry Rice made the motion; motion seconded by Council Member Lee Greeson. The motion carried by unanimous vote of those present.

**2. Any Items from Council Members**

Mayor Fennell asked for any items from Council Members; and there were none.

**3. Announcements**

Mayor Fennell asked for any announcements; and Christmas and holiday wishes were extended to all by all.

**4. Speakers from the Floor**

Mayor Fennell asked for any speakers from the floor, and again, impertinent.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business before the Council, Mayor Fennell invited a motion to adjourn. The motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Lee Greeson; motion seconded by Council Member Cindy Wheeler. The motion carried; and the December 8, 2020 Town Council meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:30 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Whitsett Town Council is scheduled for 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at the Whitsett Town Hall. [Subsequent to the December meeting, the January 12, 2021 Council meeting was cancelled, making the next Town Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 9, 2021.]

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Jo Hesson, Town Clerk

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Richard Fennell, Mayor

**APPROVED:** February 9, 2021