

REGULAR MEETING
STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 11TH, 2026, 7:30 pm.

Mayor Michael Knight. called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm with the following Council Members attending: Vice-Mayor Bruce Stoneberger, Councilwoman Robyn Good, Councilman Joseph Mauck, and Councilman Douglas Purdham, and Councilman Jeremiah Knight. Others present at this meeting: Town Manager Terry Pettit, Police Chief Ryan Dean, Police Captain Rebecca Jenkins, Parks Director Teri Beers, Treasurer Leon Stout, Foreman Ryan Gaunt, and Randy Arrington with Page Valley News. Presenting at the meeting is Stanley Little League President Abigail Blosser.

Mayor Knight gave the Invocation and Vice- Mayor Stoneberger led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA:

Town Manager Pettit stated Abigail Blosser asked to be put on the agenda to give the council an update on the Little League and that its Chief Deans last council meeting before retirement. A motion was made by Councilman Mauck to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Vice-Mayor Stoneberger. Passed Unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS:

Little League President Abigail Blosser updated the council stating first practice will be held on March 2nd with a total of 80 kids signed up so far. There have been multiple donations towards the little league like a mini split air conditioner and enough funds to cover stainless steel serving tables for the concession stand. The cleanup days for the park will be held on February 22nd-28th. The cable has not been installed due to the snow, but they have come out to look at it. She asked if the town had insurance on the park buildings and Town Manager Pettit stated we did. She requested a dumpster to be delivered before the season started. Town Manager stated its already set up to be delivered for that time frame of the season. She also asked if the Town will be covering the fencing around the park? Town Manger Pettit explained that it will be. Town Manager Pettit also stated once the snow clears, they will relocate the cameras off the pole that is covered by trees. Councilman Mauck asked the council if the town will cover regrading of the parking lot. Town Manager Pettit stated in the past public works takes care of it. Due to the dumping and trespassing on the park the council suggests that the little league place a sign stating there should be no trespassing after practices or games end or no loitering to help detour any issues in the future. With no other questions or comments for Mrs. Blosser she thanked the council and left the building.

PASSED MINUTES APPROVAL:

Mayor Knight asked the council if they had any additions or changes to the past regular meeting minutes. Vice-Mayor Stoneberger stated that Councilman Knight led the Pledge of Allegiance not himself last meeting. Treasurer Stout stated he had Clerk Atkins placed in the minutes exactly what rate and term was for the ballfield loan under New Business, so the Council was aware since he didn't have those exact numbers at the last meeting. Vice-Mayor Stoneberger asked why social services were involved in the Pond Avenue case? Captain Jenkins explained to the council that due to the severity of the situation the Fire Marshalls, County Zoning and building, and the Health Department are all involved. With no other questions or comments a motion was made by Vice-Mayor Stoneberger to approve the amended minutes, seconded by Councilman Mauck. Passed Unanimously.

TREASURER REPORT:

Treasurer Stout stated the balance in the checkbook on the report is incorrect. Vice-Mayor Stoneberger questioned the loan portfolio why the balance on the loans is increasing instead of decreasing. Treasurer Stout stated there must have been a mistake in the update and will update the council on the correct numbers later. Mayor Knight questioned what we order from Core and Main? Town Manager Pettit stated we order water supplies through that company. With no other questions a motion was made by Councilman Mauck to approve the Treasurer's Report, Pay Warrant, in the amount of \$248,484.63 and with Treasurer Stout's corrections on the Loan Portfolio, seconded by Councilman Purdham. Passed Unanimously.

MOTION CARRIED

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Town Manager Pettit stated we now have 740 customers signed up for the text alert program.

The next town and county meeting dates are as follows Feb 17th at 2pm, May 20th at 7pm, August 19th at 7pm, and November 18th at 2pm.

Town Manager Pettit has been in contact with the planning commission for a Special Use Permit for a house to be built to use as a Short-Term Rental. Once they review the request they will come before the council.

Town Manager Pettit, Parks Director Beers, and grant writer Sara Levinson is still working on the pool grant.

March for Jesus date has been changed and will be updated as soon as a date is picked.

There is sandwich shop going next to Daughter Of The Stars Theater called Night Hawks.

OLD BUSINESS:

Town Manager Pettit stated due to the extremely cold weather and snow the following projects have been postponed are Ed Good Park sign, Chapel Village sewer, Pond Avenue sewer, and repairing the sign on Aylor Grubbs Avenue.

Tyler Austin, with PMH foundation, will be providing the office staff with the information to put in the water bills with his cost of \$150.

The contract for the Homecoming fireworks has been signed.

Town Manager Pettit handed out a quote for the office windows for the council to look over. Councilman Knight stated this was a conflict of interest. Councilwoman Good suggested getting more quotes so the council agreed to table it at this time.

POLICE REPORT:

Chief Dean gave the police report stating there were 285 calls for service, 13 citations, and 242 self-initiated calls for the month of January.

Chief Dean mentioned that the blood drive in honor of Officer Winum is scheduled at the Fire Department on February 26th.

Chief Dean stated in the past ten years as Chief of police he's brought in over \$1.8 million in grants for his department, hired the first female police officer in the Town of Stanley, started trout day, and his department was the first in the county to have body cameras. With the grants the department has received vehicles, drones, and multiple pieces of equipment and has brought the department under budget every year. He thanked the council for everything they have done for him in his career.

PARK AND RECREATION REPORT:

Parks Director Beers stated the heater at the pool has been installed, and the woodside cottage renter is paid up to date.

The next event will be the car show/ trout day on March 21st.

Registration for the basketball league is over with a total of 4 teams from prekindergarten and Kindergarten, 3rd-5th grade, and an adult team. All games are held on Saturdays.

Parks Director Beers informed the council that a pipe in the pool house is busted and will need to be repaired before spring.

Parks Director Beers asked the council if they would like to keep the pool rates the same for this season approaching. The council suggested keeping the day pass rate the same but potentially raising season pass prices in the future.

WATER/SEWER REPORT:

Town Manager Pettit stated due to weather there has been a delay for flow tests and putting well #7 online even though it is ready to pump now.

The roof replacement at the sewer plant is scheduled for installation on February 26th.

Town Manager Pettit is waiting on the second quote for the digester at the sewer plant, and an estimate on the belt press.

Town Manager Pettit is working on the following Cross Connection Program, Extended Power Outage Plan, and Renewal of the VDPES permit for the wastewater plant that are mandated. He is also applying for a grant to cover the cost of well #7 fencing.

The cost of labor, fuel, wages and equipment during the snowstorm, around \$5,000 will be reimbursed through VDOT.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilwoman Good stated the Homecoming Committee would like the council’s permission on having a beer garden hosted by Coal Ridge Brewery only on Friday during Homecoming. Since Chief Dean won’t be here, he suggested having Captain Jenkins give her opinion. Captain Jenkins commended the committee on branching out and trying new ideas, but this is one she disagrees with. Due to not having enough police coverage and it changes the place to a non-family-oriented function. She stated it will also be harder to track people by sharing tickets and consuming more than two beverages. It also doesn’t help the recovering addicts on Main Street. The council decided to table this question and discuss it at the next meeting.

CLOSED SESSION:

At 9:04 PM Councilman Knight made a motion to move that the Town Council Convene in a Closed Meeting for the discussion of Personnel Matters, as authorized by Virginia Code 2.2-3711 Subsection A 1, seconded by Councilman Purdham.

Mayor Knight calls for a Roll Call Vote:

Voting Yay
Vice-Mayor Bruce Stoneberger
Councilman Douglas Purdham
Councilman Joseph Mauck
Councilman Jeremiah Knight
Councilwoman Robyn Good

Voting Nay

Councilman Knight makes a motion the Council leaves the closed meeting and return to open meeting seconded by Councilman Mauck.

Mayor Knight calls for a Roll Call vote:

Voting Yay

Vice-Mayor Bruce Stoneberger
Councilman Douglas Purdham
Councilman Joseph Mauck
Councilman Jeremiah Knight
Councilwoman Robyn Good

Voting Nay

Mayor Knight states we are now in open meeting.

Councilman Knight made a motion starting February 27th, appoint Captain Rebecca Jenkins interim Chief of Police until one is appointed, seconded by Councilman Purdham. Passed Unanimously.

Mayor Knight asked to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 PM, a motion was made by Councilman Mauck seconded by Councilman Purdham.

Michael Knight, Mayor

Julienne Atkins, Clerk