



Town of Stanton Board Meeting

Minutes

March 18, 2025

1. **Call to Order**

Mayor Bauer called the meeting to Order at 7:01pm.

2. **Prayer**

The Meeting was opened with prayer by Linda Jones

3. **Roll Call**

Board members present - Mayor Norman Bauer, Vice Mayor/Aldерwoman Linda Jones, Alderman Robert Dancy, Aldерwoman Johnson, and Aldерwoman Laura Smith

Also in attendance – Town Recorder Twilla Moss, Town Assistant Norma Middlebrook, Town Attorney Michael Banks, States-Graphic Reporter Periann Houghton, State of TN Department of Treasury Representative Tim Joyce, and Citizens Linda Jean Pruiett, Nadeon Lee, Winfrey Pruiett, Terrance Cannon, Marcia Johnson, and Clarice White

4. **Approval of the Minutes**

Board of Mayor and Aldermen Meeting---February 24, 2025---Alderman Johnson motioned to accept/approve; Vice Mayor Jones seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

5. **Financial Reports**

Alderman Dancy motioned to accept/approve, Aldерwoman Johnson seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

6. **Public Comments**--- (3 minutes to comment on concerns pertaining to the agenda)

None

7. **Mayor's Comments**

Please See **Mayor's Report.**

Events Committee was created to coordinate all Stanton Town events

- Key members - Gloria Boyland, Hollie Dillon, Linda Jones, and Brenda Sanderlin

8. OLD BUSINESS

- 8.1 TCRS Report and Updates----Discussion regarding the TCRS report for back paying employees for employment time prior to commencing TCRS for the Town. The Town was provided the State's report on February 14, 2025 by Tim Joyce, representative of State of Tennessee Treasury. The report incorrectly reflected a study based upon the Town paying backpay for all past services at a cost of \$230,789.00, in contrast to the \$90,000.00 originally approved by the Board at the December 19, 2023 BOMA meeting. Mr. Joyce informed the board that the mistake was made by the State, but that the Town would have to pay an additional fee of \$600.00 to have the correct study completed and it would only apply to current employees of the Town. Alderman Dancy moved to authorize the Mayor to request the completion of a new TCRS study based upon the December 19, 2023 approved motion up to \$90,000 at a cost of \$600.00. Alderwoman Johnson seconded the motion. **Motioned carried.**

Yea – Vice Mayor/Alderwoman Jones, Alderman Dancy,
Alderwoman Johnson
Nay – None
Abstain – None
No-vote – Alderwoman Smith

- 8.2 Discussion on Renewing the current Grass Contract to determine whether to renew the current grass cutting contract with J & S Lawn Service at current amount of \$32,899.68. Town has three (3) options: (1) Continue with current contract for \$32,899.68, (2) purchase a Zero Turn and other necessary equipment, hire seasonal Public Works employees to assist with landscaping, or (3) split landscaping responsibilities between Public Works and J&S Lawn Service. Alderman Dancy motioned to bring grass cutting contract in-house for Public Works Department; Alderwoman Johnson seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

Yea – Vice Mayor/Alderwoman Jones, Alderman Dancy,
Alderwoman Johnson
Nay – None
Abstain – None
No-vote – Alderwoman Smith

9. NEW BUSINESS

- 9.1 Resolution in support of BlueOval City for federal incentives---A resolution was discussed in support of Ford and the impact BlueOval City has had, and will have, on our Community, along with the importance of the *Advanced Manufacturing Production Credits*. Alderwoman Johnson motioned to approve a resolution to

express support for Ford Motor Company's BlueOval City project and recognize its significant economic impact to the Town of Stanton, Tennessee; Alderman Dancy seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

Yea – Vice Mayor/Aldерwoman Jones, Alderman Dancy,
Aldерwoman Johnson
Nay – None
Abstain – None
No-vote – Aldерwoman Smith

- 9.2 A discussion regarding rescheduling the May 20, 2025 Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting due to the Mayor's need to be in Nashville. Vice Mayor Jones suggested to the Mayor to reschedule in his absence. Aldерwoman Johnson motioned to postpone the May 20, 2025 Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting and rescheduled to May 21, 2025 @ 6:30pm; Alderman Dancy seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

Yea – Vice Mayor/Aldерwoman Jones, Alderman Dancy,
Aldерwoman Johnson
Nay – None
Abstain – None
No-vote – Aldерwoman Smith

- 9.3 Clarification on Current Meeting Schedules and their Notifications---Due to States-Graphic's erroneous email-notifications and radio broadcast regarding the validity of the Town's February 12, 2025 Planning Commission meeting time and suggesting that the Town violated TN Open Meetings Act, the Mayor clarified the current regularly-scheduled Town meetings schedules and how the dates and Agendas are posted. The Mayor also provided the board members with copies of the email correspondence notifying States-Graphic of the change and confirmation, as well as reference to the meeting time accurately reflected in the States-Graphic Newspaper calendar. The Town has the following regularly-scheduled monthly meetings:

- Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting is held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month consist with the Town's Charter; currently it is held at 7:00pm.
- Planning Commission meeting is held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 5:30pm. (effective February 12, 2025, with copies of appropriate prior notices of date/time change included.)

10. Good of the Order

10.1 Donations of \$1,200.00 to Carl Perkins fundraiser---Town has purchase two (2) tables for Towns employees and board members attendance

11. Adjournment

Alderman Dancy motioned to adjourn, Vice Mayor/Alderwoman Jones seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:31pm.

Approval:

Robert Dancy, Alderman

Linda Jones, Vice Mayor/Alderwoman

Tucker Johnson, Alderwoman

Laura Smith, Alderwoman

Norman Bauer Jr, Mayor