MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF STEDMAN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS December 5, 2024-----7:00 PM REGULAR MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Martin L. Jones, Commissioner Mark Lee, Commissioner Ralph Vogt, Commissioner Pirro, and Commissioner Horne

STAFF PRESENT

Town Clerk Connie Veeder, Admin. Assistant Whitney Barlow, Chief Jackson, and Attorney Donald Hudson

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Jones led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mayor Jones called for adoption of the agenda. Motion was made by Commissioner Pirro to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously by the board.

CONSENT AGENDA

November 7, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes Commissioner Vogt made a motion to adopt the minutes and Commissioner Horne seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously by the board.

Resolution #6-2024

Commissioner Pirro made a motion to adopt Resolution 6-2024 and Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously by the board.

Resolution #7-2024

Commissioner Horne made a motion to adopt the meeting minutes and Commissioner Lee seconded. Motion passed unanimously by the board.

<u>**PRESENTATIONS**</u> – The 2024 Financial Audit was presented to the board by Alan Thompson of Thompson, Price, Scott, Adams, CPA firm.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS -

- a) Installation of a speed bump at 932 Raspberry Road. Commissioner Horne made a motion to approve the installation and Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously by the board.
- b) Vendors booths being set up during the Christmas parade. Commissioner Pirro made the motion to approve the vendor setup if the vendor has liability insurance and the town would need to have requirements typed for them to view. Commissioner Lee seconded the motion and the board was voted unanimously to pass this motion.

- c) Amended I & I Study Agreement with WithersRavenel Engineering Firm. Commissioner Vogt made a motion to accept the amended agreement and Commissioner Lee seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.
- d) Destroy old computers in the Police Department. Commissioner Lee made the motion to approve the destruction of old equipment in the police department. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Vogt. The board unanimously voted to approve.

STAFF REPORTS/BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

- a) Town Clerk's Report Holidays this month are December 25th 27th. The Town Christmas Parade is Saturday, December 14th. We will have pictures with Santa in Ernest Freeman Park from 1 pm 4 pm. There will be a volunteer photographer from the Red Cross there. The Town Christmas party is on December 12th at Alfredo's Italian Restaurant in Clinton, NC. There will be food trucks in the parking lot of Horne's Furniture building. The parade will begin at 7 pm.
- b) Chief of Police Report Chief Jackson spoke about the accreditation process.
- c) Stedman Fire Department Kevin Carroll and Brandon Walker were in attendance. Chief Walker spoke about the parade, response calls, etc.
- d) Planners Report None
- e) Code Enforcement Report None
- f) Mayor and Board of Commissioners –Mayor Jones spoke about the great turnout we had at the tree lighting on November 26^{th} in the park.

BOARD TRAINING

Two members of the Mid Carolina Council of Government were in attendance at the board meeting. They were Paula Stewart and Kimberly Moffett. They shared a power point presentation with the board and staff talking about very important details about board meetings.

CLOSED SESSION- pursuant N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6) to discuss Personnel Issues

Commissioner Pirro made the motion to go into closed session and Commissioner Vogt seconded the motion. The board discussed Christmas bonuses for all staff. Commissioner Pirro made a motion to end the closed session and Commissioner Lee seconded the motion. The board was unanimous in opening and closing the closed session. The board returned to open session at 8:20 pm. The mayor called for a motion to approve the giving of Christmas bonuses to the staff. Commissioner Pirro made the motion and Commissioner Lee seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to give the staff a Christmas Bonus.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Horne to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Commissioner Lee to adjourn the December 5, 2024 meeting at 8:25 pm.