

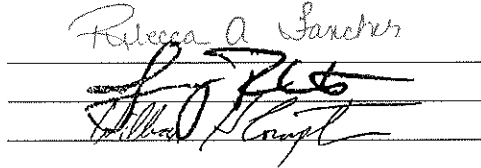
**NORTH SALEM
TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING
NOVEMBER 2, 2023**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The November 2, 2023, Council Meeting was called to order by Council President Becky Fancher at 6:03 pm. She led with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a prayer.

2. ROLL CALL:

Becky Fancher, President – Present
Jimmy Roberts, Vice President – Present
Bill Compton, Member – Present



3. MINUTES:

Bill made a motion to approve the October minutes as written; Jimmy seconded; motion passed.

4. OLD ITEMS:

a. Property on Railroad Street – Everything is a go with the Bank, we are just waiting on a purchase agreement from Joe Goldsmith.

5. NEW ITEMS:

- a. Water and Sewer Charges – 2024 – Becky made a motion to continue the 3% increase in January; Bill seconded; motion passed unanimously.
- b. Farmers Market – It was decided to send a certified, return receipt letter to Kristi Vaughn letting her know that she will not be given permission from the town to hold a North Salem Farmers Market.
- c. Town Christmas Party -Beth let Council know that Tammy has offered to host a Christmas get together at her house following the December meeting. This will be a pitch in.

6. REPORTS:

- a. Mark/Kevin/Kyle – Kevin gave Council an update on the tornado siren. Xfinity Comcast is still in town doing overhead wiring work. He also let them know that we will need to install a new scale at the water plant. Also, they have been having some trouble getting parts as the companies we deal with have a shortage and long wait times. Several other projects going on in town as well.
- b. NSPD – Chief Shaffer let Council know that he did not have a written report this month because his computer has a virus that he is trying to get repaired; He has been dealing with two major incidents here in town. He will be on vacation next week and County will cover in his absence. He and Beth dropped the new police vehicle off in Greencastle to have the lights and sirens installed.
- c. Council – Clean up letter needs to be sent to the owners of the gas station. Becky asked Harold if he would put together a resolution for bonuses.
- d. Harold – Called the developer of the Dollar General regarding the lights staying on all night. Apparently when lightning struck the building it took out the computer system that was linked to the Nashville, Tennessee headquarters which is where the lights are controlled. He was assured that this problem will be fixed asap. We will stay on top of this. Becky also asked Harold if he could put together a resolution for bonuses for the December meeting. Beth will send him the information.
- e. Beth – let Council know that the State Board of Accounts will begin their examination next week.

7. PUBLIC

- a. Becky Compton let Kevin know that a couple of drains on 236 have debris in them. Kevin said the state is responsible for these drains. Jay Thompson gave an update on the Communications Advisory Board. Bill asked if religious groups were exempt from the no soliciting in town and Beth let him know that they are exempt. Jamie Dugan gave an update on Christmas on Pearl Street; they will be having a parade and Corey will get the road closure permit.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:59 pm. The next Council Meeting will be December 7, 2023, at 6:00 pm.

Attest:



Beth Russell

Clerk-Treasurer