



TOWN OF PRINCEVILLE
Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes
July 17, 2023, 7:00PM
201 S. Main St. Princeville, NC 27886

Board Present: Mayor Bobbie Jones, Mayor ProTem Alvin Jones, Commissioner Linda Joyner, Commissioner JoeRoam Myrick, Commissioner Milton Bullock

Staff: Town Manager Glenda Knight, Town Clerk Antionette Wheeler, Attorney Ryan King

Call to Order and Roll Call (Mute phones please. Presider, please state the date for recording purposes)

I. Invocation Mayor ProTem Alvin Jones

II. Public Comments: (Limited to 2 minutes. Read by Clerk)

1. Tyrone Pettaway 405 S. Main Street, Princeville NC. I have been out of my home for 77 days. I left May 5, 2023. I was told to be out of house 5 to 6 weeks. They do a great job with lifting the homes but it's afterwards. It's a great burden on me. It's not healthy to eat out every day. I'm on a fixed income. I have been diagnosed with congestive heart failure. It will be 6 more weeks for a ramp. When an electrician went back in he said everything was bad. He said it looks like little worms all over everywhere. I sent pictures to replace the things that were damaged. Now they are saying no they will not replace the things that were damaged. I asked about trees being cut down so I will be able to see out of my windows. If I was told that if the trees do not touch the home they will not cut them down. Mayor Jones said normally we have a two-minute limit, but I think it's important to listen to what is being said and I have a few questions. Devan Francisco is case manager for the state. When you ask for the ramp are they going to give you both. You need a letter from your doctor from your doctor for a ramp. Mayor Pro Tem indicated that I think that it's important to get Steve to come and talk to the citizens.
2. Lee Station 104 Walston Street, Princeville NC. My house is 15 feet in the air it was supposed to be 9ft. I want answers they lied. They will not answer calls when you leave messages. They got us out of our house and left.
3. Willie Jenkins 106 Six Street Princeville. I have been out of my home since the 5th of May 2023. I'm not going to blame you, but they should have stayed in contact and made sure things were good. We are in a bad situation, and no one seems to care Something needs to be done.
4. Calvin Atkins ETJ 103 Ridgewood Rd Princeville NC. How are the homes supposed to get help when there is a fire emergency? They need a fire truck with a ladder. Mayor asked Mayor ProTem to speak on how to get someone out of the home that has emergency. Mayor ProTem indicated that he was not speaking as EMS but as a commissioner. Every EMS has a lift chair available but if it's cardiac arrest that's a different situation.
5. Yvonne Shaw 203 3rd. Street. Ask the question was this put in written contract with the town the work that would done. Ms. Shaw also asked if the citizens got a written contract from the state.

Mayor Jones indicated that the work is being done by the state not the town. The citizens signed up for elevation several years ago in 2016 and it's taking this long to get the work done.

6. Annette Waller 701 Geddie Ave. I have been out of my home since April 28, 2023. When you see them asking questions we go one way they go the other way.. I have been paying high water bill and there is no leak. Mayor Jones indicated that he knows of one person that is back in the home. That person had a different contractor, and everything was not completed before he moved back in. Mayor Jones stated don't get frustrated call us and we will work with you. We will be meeting with NCEM tonight. Call us tomorrow and we will know more about what's going on. We hopefully will have some answers tomorrow.

7. Johnnie Williams 121 Webb Lane. I need to be added to calling post. I was up there but haven't been getting messages. I appreciate the help I received from Mayor Pro Tem on a tree that fell across my street. I want to find out the update on whether the ordinance for water and sewer was approved from county manager Eric Evans. Update for the citizens of Princeville on the money that was working on I haven't heard anything about home repair, and I want to know the status.

8. Kendrick Ransome 302 N 12th Street Pinetops. We will be Princeville Homecoming promoting healthy living various events from 08/04/23 to 08/06/23.

9. Delia Perkins 123 Neville Street. Where is the new city limits and new ETJ since it has been moved. I was reading and ARP money can be used to clean out ditches. I empower you to clean the ditches out. I hope you put a sign out for the 53 acres so people will know where it is.

III. Announcements

1. In the event of an emergency, please use any exit that is the safest.
2. Bingo Fever Every last Tuesday of each month from 5-7pm at the Senior Center.
3. Carolina Family Center is offering weekly recovery meetings from four-dimensional health home, purpose, and community from 6pm-8pm at the Senior Center.

IV. Adjustment to Agenda Under presentations defer Princeville Youth Academy to August 21, 2023 add Pastor David Wilson in the space for Princeville Youth Academy. Commissioner Linda Joyner motioned to approve adjustment to agenda and Mayor Pro Tem Jones seconded. Vote Carried 4-0

V. Approval of the Agenda (Recommendation: Approval) Mayor Pro Tem Jones motioned to approve agenda and Commissioner Linda Joyner Seconded. Vote Carried 4-0

VI. Consent Agenda

1. Budget Session minutes 06-06-2023 7:00PM (**Recommendation: Approval**) Mayor ProTem Jones motioned to approve all minutes and Commissioner Linda Joyner seconded. Vote carried 4-0
2. June Special Call meeting 06-20-23 6:00PM (**Recommendation: Approval**)
3. June Regular Minutes Session (**Recommendation Approval**)
4. June Executive Session Minutes (**Recommendation Approval**)

Mayor ProTem Jones motioned to approve all minutes and Commissioner Linda Joyner seconded. Vote carried 4-0

VII. Presentation

1. Pastor David Wilson freedom from drugs and alcohol. We currently have 3 houses with 24 residents. The success rate is 60%. We have had 15 graduates. The program

is free, and it helps them to save money, get licenses, doctor's appointments whatever we can do help them lead productive lives. Contact number is (919)710-7146.

2. NCLM (Mr. Joe Durham) Financial operating consultant program members creative ideas access cost of services promoting cost management ways to assist financial management. We help small towns be more successful.
3. Small Business Center (Mrs. Laura Brown Evans) Free information for business owners to assist with opening your own business. Only requirement is that you complete a survey upon completion of the program.
4. Government Relations (Mr. H. Lamont Cherry) Discussed solar conversion as a way to save money and he thought the town could benefit..

VIII. Department Reports (See Attachments)

1. Finance Reports (Check detail & Debit Card): Commissioner Myrick asked about 3059 The Town Manager responded we had another problem with ac unit. Mr. Perkins explained the problem. Commissioner Myrick asked about 3058 that was a donation for Stephanie 98. Town Manager responded an ad for 3rd Anniversary. Ms. Phyllis went over Budget amendment for June 30,2023. The board scheduled a call meeting to review in more detail. and approve information at a later date.
2. Public Works: No comments
3. Senior Center: No comments
4. Edgecombe County Sheriff Office: No comments
5. Princeville Volunteer Fire Department: letter for Fema
6. Carolina Family Health Centers, Inc./ Freedom Hill Community Health Center: Recovery group continues to meet every month
7. Princeville Youth Academy: Mayor Jones said it was a joy and pleasure to see all the kids today. We need to come up with a way to see how program can continue. The Town Manager shared that there is 21 Youth attending program.

IX. Town Manager Report

1. Senior Center: Mr. Perkins is having conversations via email on getting everyone on the same page to have elevator certified. I will let everyone know what the outcome will be.
2. ARP: It was reported that Elevate Edgecombe expensed roughly \$12,252.00. \$45,00.00 was estimated to cover PYA programming to include the custodian and Adm. The recommendation to cover the first set of repair applications is to transfer \$70,00.00 from Education to housing repair and reduce the amount to \$3,000.00 per household instead of \$4,150.00 to cover the cost of supplies. Commissioner Linda Joyner motioned that \$70,000.00 be transferred to home repair seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jones. Vote carried 4-0. Commissioner Linda Joyner voted to reduce the amount to \$3,000.00 per household, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jones. Vote carried 4-0 Commissioner Myrick asked about documentation for all applications. The Town Manager explained that the boards by way of a special call meeting reviewed the first set of applications that have now been reduced to 27 applications because residents fail to return documentation by the deadline. She also explained that 10 applications were submitted, the 3rd round and all submitted the required documents which will be phase

II of the housing repair projects. These are the only applications that have not been before the board pending resolution of the 1st set of applications relating to cost.

3. Floodgates: There is an extension to July 28, 2023 11:00 am until, we are able to get bids.

4. BRIC agreement: Question answered that the Town Manager and WPG representative will be responsible for completing the report until a person can be identified to carry out the duties.

X. Attorney Report

1. Condemnation: No update

2. Acquisition: No update

XI. Old Business: N/a

XII. New Business: N/a

XIII. Board Comments: Commissioner Myrick thanked the citizens for coming out.

- XIV. Executive Sessions:** Motion to go into Executive Session by Mayor Pro Tem Jones Seconded by Commissioner Linda Joyner. Vote carried 4-0. The board met with Director Steve McGugan to discuss the questions the citizens had about the elevation project. Director Steve will bring his team on Friday July 21, 2023, from 10am -12pm to address questions from the citizens. Commissioner Linda Joyner motioned to add to the Board's monthly current stipend, \$500.00 for Commissioners and \$600.00 for Mayor. Motion to approve by Commissioner Linda Joyner. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jones. Vote Carried 4-0.
Motion to close executive session by Commissioner Linda Joyner. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jones. Vote Carried 4-0.

N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(1)(6) To prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to the law of this State or of United States, or not considered a public record within the meaning of the Chapter 132 of the General Statutes.

N. C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(4) To discuss relating the location or expansion of industries agreement on a tentative list of economic development incentives that may be offered by the public body in negotiations or to discuss matters relating to military installation closure or realignment.

1) Economic Development 2) Personnel: N/A

XVI. Adjournment Mayor Pro Tem motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Linda Joyner seconded. Vote Carried 4-0


Bobbie Jones, Mayor Date 8-21-23


Antionette Wheeler, Town Clerk, Date 8/21/23