



REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF CLEMMONS COUNCIL February 27, 2023

The Village of Clemmons Council met on Monday, February 27, 2023, at 6 p.m. The meeting was held at the Village Hall, Clemmons, North Carolina. The following members were present: Mayor Rogers, Council Members Barson (via Zoom), Cameron, Combest, Taylor and Wrights. Attorney Al Benschoff was also present. Roll-call votes were taken.

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Rogers called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments

There were no citizens in attendance. There were no individuals that spoke during public comments.

Approval of the Minutes

Council Member Taylor moved to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2023 regular meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Cameron and unanimously approved.

Approval of the Agenda

Manager Gunnell requested the addition of Item B.2. "Update of Fire Rating for the Village of Clemmons".

Council Member Cameron moved to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Council Member Taylor and unanimously approved.

Announcements

- A. Proclamation – Forsyth Creek Week - March 18-26, 2023 - Mayor Rogers proclaimed March 18-26, 2023 as Forsyth Creek Week (attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated as a part of the minutes).

Business – Action Items

Business – Review and Items for Future Action

- A. *Marketing & Communications Director's Report/Events Update.*
- Public Works Job Fair will take place on Saturday, March 18 from 10am-1pm at the Public Works Facility
 - [Clemmons Creek Cleanup](#) on Saturday, March 18 and Sunday, March 19
 - Coffee with a Cop will be held on Tuesday, March 21st from 9am-10am at Be Kind Coffee
 - Several farmers market vendors are offering off season preorders and weekend pickup at Village Hall. Please visit clemmons.org/preorders for more info.

- [Medicine Drop](#) - March 20th from 10am–1pm – Clemmons Fire Department (5931 James Street)
- [Bulk Item Pickup](#) for West side of Clemmons (Tanglewood side of Lewisville-Clemmons Road) begins Monday, March 20
- [Bulk Item Pickup](#) for East side of Clemmons (Winston-Salem side of Lewisville-Clemmons Road) begins Monday, March 27

Details are available on the Village website and Facebook page regarding all our events.

B. Manager's Report.

1. *TAC Update* – Council Member Combest provided an update to Council (attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated as a part of the minutes).
2. *Update of Fire Rating for the Village of Clemmons* – Manager Gunnell read a press release regarding the fire rating for the Village of Clemmons (attached hereto as Exhibit C and incorporated as a part of the minutes).


C. Council Comments – there were none.

D. Closed Session for Discussion of Property Acquisition in Accordance with NCGS 143-318.11(a)(5) - Council Member Cameron made a motion to enter Closed Session for Discussion of Property Acquisition in Accordance with NCGS 143-318.11(a)(5) at 6:10 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Taylor and unanimously approved.

At 6:32 p.m., Mayor Rogers stated that by unanimous vote Council chose to reconvene the open session with no action taken.

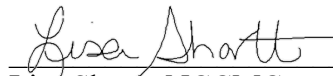
Adjournment

Council Member Cameron moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Taylor and unanimously approved.



Mike Rogers
Mayor

ATTEST:



Lisa Shortt, NCCMC
Village Clerk

Proclamation
Declaring March 18 - March 26, 2023
as FORSYTH CREEK WEEK
in the Village of Clemmons, North Carolina

WHEREAS, water is our most valuable natural resource; and

WHEREAS, only tap water delivers public health protection, fire protection, support for our economy, and the quality of life we enjoy, and

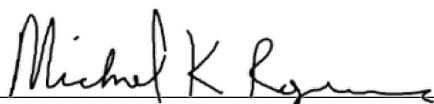
WHEREAS, any measure of a successful society – low mortality rates, economic growth and diversity, productivity, and public safety – are in some way related to access to safe water; and

WHEREAS, we are all stewards of the water infrastructure upon which future generations depend; and

WHEREAS, each citizen of our community is called upon to help protect our source waters from pollution, to practice water conservation, and to get involved in local water issues.

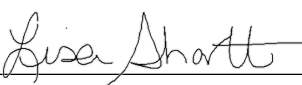
NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the Village of Clemmons, I do hereby proclaim March 18 – March 26, 2023 as FORSYTH CREEK WEEK in Clemmons and encourage all citizens to become active participants in FORSYTH CREEK WEEK activities.

This the 27th day of February, 2023.



Michael K. Rogers
Mayor

Attest:



Lisa M. Shortt
Village Clerk



TAC Update Comment

At its February 16th 2023 meeting the Winston-Salem area TAC (Transportation Advisory Committee) approved funding for two action items that will significantly impact Clemmons and many non-Clemmons residents and businesses.

The two items are grants to (1) purchase fuel efficient and pollution reducing vehicles and equipment for Public Works and (2) install a long needed traffic light at the intersection of Holder Road and Lewisville Clemmons Road ----- near West Forsyth High School.

The projects are cost effective, will help improve safety on Lewisville-Clemmons Road and improve access to Lewisville-Clemmons. This--access-- is an issue that has frustrated residents in this part of town for years.

Equally important, installing this light is a key action in the determined action to address dangerous vehicle crowding and stacking at schools during student drop-off and pickup. From the student safety aspect, this traffic light accomplishes two main things.

1. Most important, it puts in place a mechanism that will help control and regulate traffic around two of our communities' key schools ---- West Forsyth High School and Southwest Elementary.

2. Investing in this traffic control measure demonstrates that we, the Village of Clemmons are committed to applying the action and resources needed to solve the significant and growing drop-off/pick-up hazards at our schools. It demonstrates this to not only Clemmons residents and businesses.....but to the school stakeholders all the school partners who will take their cue from how we act more than from what we say.....including those in Lewisville, Winston-Salem, Unincorporated Forsyth County.....in and out of government.

Finally, it is appropriate to note that securing funding for these projects was the result of smart, bold initiative and first class staff work. Particularly, the Public Works vehicle & equipment resourcing sprang from the quick eye and initiative of our Mayor. The Holder Light funding springs, not surprisingly, from the excellent, compelling work of our world class staff.

Public Works Electric Vehicle & Equipment Purchase

CLEMMONS



(2) Greenworks 82V, 60' Ride On Zero-Turn Mowers (Electric)
(1) Greenworks 82V Utility Vehicle (Electric)
(2) Ford F-150 Lightning (Electric)

Legend
★ Clemmons Department of Public Works

0.1 0.05 0 Miles

\$172,800

Recommended Funding

100% of requested funding

16,186 kg/year

Annual Emissions Reduction

as estimated by the Forsyth County OEAP

Stoplight Installation

Lewisville-Clemmons Road & Holder Road

CLEMMONS



\$201,000

Recommended Funding

100% of requested funding

5,147 kg/year

Annual Emissions Reduction

as estimated by the Forsyth County OEAP



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February 21, 2023

Fire District Receives New Rating After Inspection

State Officials Award New District Rating

RALEIGH - North Carolina Insurance Commissioner and State Fire Marshal Mike Causey announced today that the following Fire Districts completed their routine inspection and received the listed rating, on listed effective dates. The inspection, conducted by officials with the Department of Insurance Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM), is required on a regular basis as part of the North Carolina Response Rating System (NCRRS). Among other things, the routine inspections look for proper staffing levels, sufficient equipment, proper maintenance of equipment, communications capabilities and availability of a water source.

District	Type	Rating	Effective
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Clemmons	Rural	2/9E	06/01/2023

The NCRRS rating system ranges from one (highest) to 10 (not recognized as a certified fire department by the state), with most rural departments falling into the 9S category. While lower ratings do not necessarily indicate poor service, a higher rating does suggest that a department is overall better equipped to respond to fires in its district. Higher ratings can also significantly lower homeowners insurance rates in that fire district.

"I'd like to congratulate Chief Styers for the department's performance and for the hard work of all the department members," said Commissioner Causey. "The citizens in the Town of these districts should rest easy knowing they have a fine group of firefighters protecting them and their property in case of an emergency."

State law requires OSFM officials to inspect departments serving districts of 100,000 people or less, which makes up all but twelve of the state's fire districts.

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