

MINUTES
DANBURY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
DANBURY LIBRARY
January 22, 2025

A meeting of the Danbury Town Council was held at the Danbury Library on Wednesday, January 22, 2025 at 6:30 P.M.

Present: Mayor Pro-tem Gary East and Council members Wendi Spraker, Steve Shelton and Dave Hoskins. Town Administrator Mike Barsness, Town Clerk Renea Brown and Town Attorney Eugene Russell were also present. A quorum was recorded.

Absent: None.

Visitors present: Terri Flagg represented Stokes News.

Gary East called the meeting to order at 6:37 P.M.

On motion of Steve Shelton, seconded by Wendi Spraker, it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the agenda as proposed.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT:

Gary East read the Conflict of Interest Statement regarding items on the meeting agenda. No conflicts were expressed.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS: Steve Shelton advised the council that he would be presenting a presentation on Sunday January 26 at 2:30pm at the Danbury Library on behalf of the Stokes/Rockingham Genealogical Society.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Gary East acknowledged the great job that Jim Hicks had done on the snow removal. He said that Debbie Fuschetti's daughter had a baby and that he is awaiting the arrival of his grandson.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. On motion of Wendi Spraker, seconded by Dave Hoskins, it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the December 18, 2024 meeting.

2. On motion of Steve Shelton, seconded by Dave Hoskins, it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the Accounts Payable for the period of December 19, 2024 to January 22, 2025.
3. On motion of Wendi Spraker, seconded by Dave Hoskins, it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the Proposed Agreement with Foothill Waste Solutions for Solid Waste/Recycling Collection, Transportation and Disposal Services effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2030.
4. Mike advised the council that there had been some investment activity. \$10,000 had been moved from the First National Powell no interest account over to the Capital Management Powell Bill Trust account, which accumulates some interest.
5. Mike reported that the financials are looking good. There had been a slight increase in the property tax column due to delinquent property taxes being paid. Sales tax remains below last year. Total revenue is up 3.3%.
6. Administrator's Report
 - a. Mike asked the council to sign the Annual Computer Use Policy that had been given to them.
 - b. Mike advised everyone of the Session Law 2024-57 – Downzoning. He informed the council that this new legislation would prohibit government from imposing downzoning without the consent of the property owner.
 - c. Mike informed the council that Gary East would be our delegate with the PTRC. He expressed to Gary that he could be as active as he saw fit within this organization. Gary agreed to represent the Town of Danbury until the next election.
 - d. Mike advised that the Town Hall was in need of being painted. He stated that he would be getting pricing on this repair. Steve Shelton suggested that Town Hall also have the storm door replaced. Mike will include this amount in his upcoming budget amendment.
 - e. Mike stated that he had spoken to DOT and the bridge contract will be let on February 18, 2025.

On motion of Steve Shelton, seconded by Wendi Spraker, it was unanimously RESOLVED to adjourn the council meeting. Adjournment was at 7:16 pm.

SIGNATURES ON NEXT PAGE

Gary East
Mayor Pro-tem

Attest:

Renea Brown
Town Clerk

(Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 26, 6:30 PM, at the Danbury Library.)