



**REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE VILLAGE OF CLEMMONS COUNCIL  
January 13, 2020**

The Village of Clemmons Council met on Monday, January 13, 2020, at 6 p.m. The meeting was held at the Village Hall, Clemmons, North Carolina. The following members were present: Mayor Wait, Council Members Barson, Binkley, Cameron and Wrights. Attorney Elliot Fus was also present. Council Member Rogers was absent.

**Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance**

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

**Public Comments**

There were approximately 50 citizens in attendance. There were no individuals signed in to speak.

**Approval of the Minutes**

Council Member Wrights moved to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2019 regular meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Barson and unanimously approved.

**Approval of the Agenda**

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

**Announcements**

- A. Village of Clemmons will be closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on Monday, January 20, 2020 - Mayor Wait announced that the Village of Clemmons offices will be closed Monday, January 20, 2020 in observation of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Trash collection will be on normal schedule.

**Business – Information/Review Items for Future Action**

- A. Marketing and Communications Director's Report – Marketing and Communications Director Ford provided an update on the following items and events:
- The month of February is “Neighbor Helping Neighbors” – donation to be made to Clemmons Food Pantry.
  - March 6, 2020 will be March Madness in Clemmons with a Lip Sync Battle competition between various participants. Admission is free but tangible donations will be accepted for the Davie County Department of Social Services Foster Care. The emcee will be WXII's Kenny Beck.

B. Manager's Report.

1. *Financial Report for November 2019* – report was presented.
2. *Sheriff's Department Report for November 2019* – report was presented.  
  
Sgt. Gieger introduced Deputy Alexander Mills who has been assigned to Clemmons Community Policing.
3. *2020 Retreat Date Considerations* – Manager Buffkin advised Council to mark March 12 & 13, 2020 on their calendars for the Retreat.
4. *Budget Amendment 20-G-6* – Manager Buffkin advised this is to cover the cost of a patrol vehicle that was wrecked in a vehicle chase involving Deputy Alvarez. This will be placed on next meeting's agenda for consideration.
5. *Second Amendment to Village Point Sewer Extension Agreement with Utilities Commission* – Manager Buffkin advised the original agreement had a sunset clause and this amendment will remove the clause to enable the collection of remaining funds. This will be placed on next meeting's agenda for consideration.

C. Attorney's Report – nothing to report.

D. Planner's Report – nothing to report.

**Business – Action Items**

- E. Public Hearing – Gardenspring Drive Street Modification Recommendation – Mayor Wait advised that the next step in the Street Modification Guidelines for the application for Gardenspring Drive was to hold a public hearing to receive feedback on the recommendation from Kimley-Horn that was presented at the November 28, 2019 meeting. He stated that there would be no action taken this evening on this matter.

Mayor Wait opened the public hearing.

There were 14 individuals signed up to speak:

-McKinley Reed, 423 Lake Cliff Drive, Clemmons, NC – expressed his thoughts that what measures are taken on Gardenspring Drive will have an effect on Lake Cliff Drive. He stated that the idea of streets is to move vehicles (kids need to play in yards and bicyclists need to pay attention).

-Bob Dorsch, 4241 Gardenspring Drive, Clemmons, NC – expressed that he feels unsafe walking in the neighborhood due to speed of vehicles. He agrees with stop sign placement but disagrees with road striping.

-Melissa Taylor, 4229 Gardenspring Drive, Clemmons, NC – expressed she is against the striping of Gardenspring Drive. She stated double-lined roads indicate a main thoroughfare and requested Council consider speed humps and referenced the Arbor Run neighborhood in Lewisville.

-Laurie Fitzgerald, 4206 Gardenspring Drive, Clemmons, NC – requested Council find another solution. She stated that Gardenspring residents pull this request if this is the best solution (road striping). She would like speed humps to be installed.

-Fernando Quiros, 4235 Gardenspring Drive, Clemmons, NC – stated his point had already been made.

-Leo Alley, 4229 Sandhurst Drive, Clemmons, NC – expressed that he frequently walks the neighborhood. He stated the need to educate the community to go slower or do not use the neighborhood as a cut-thru.

-Albert Geskill, 7626 Rolling Oak Court, Clemmons, NC – advised of prior work experience and working with traffic engineers/studies. He recommended the installation of stop signs and to place a crosswalk in the middle of the stretch of road with stop signs (also to be used as the bus stop location for school children). He also recommended not to stripe a double-yellow line, but white line the road.

-David Taylor, 4229 Gardenspring Drive, Clemmons, NC – stated his point had already been made.

-Bill Schott, 7745 Whitehorse Drive, Clemmons, NC – expressed that the question that needs to be asked is “why the volume on that street?”. He stated traffic patterns need to be reviewed to determine how the volume funnels onto neighborhood streets.

-Joel Easter, 4211 Sandhurst Drive, Clemmons, NC – expressed that if something is done to Gardenspring Drive, it will divert the problem to Sandhurst so this would need to be considered also.

-Amy Schott, 7745 Whitehorse Drive, Clemmons, NC – stated her point had already been made.

-Amy & Rick Macdonald, 4220 Sandhurst Drive, Clemmons, NC – stated their point had already been made.

-Michelle & Marvin James, 4236 Gardenspring Drive, Clemmons, NC – expressed that if they are unable to get speed humps and stop signs, keep the status quo.

-Richard Felton, 7641 Rolling Oak Court, Clemmons, NC – expressed his desire for stop signs or speed humps and if something is done to Gardenspring then need to do the same to Sandhurst.

Mayor Wait advised that this is taking a big picture look at the area (not only Gardenspring but other surrounding streets) and stated that residents from Gardenspring made the application for the modification to get the process started. Mayor Wait closed the public hearing.

- F. *Resolution 2020-R-1 Supporting Forsyth County to Construct an Enhanced Traffic Flow and Stacking Design for Tanglewood Park Special Events* - Manager Buffkin advised Council that the Forsyth County Commissioners are considering some improvements to constructing the road configuration within Tanglewood Park to help with the traffic situation during special events. They will be considering this at their meeting later this week. He was asked to draft a resolution as the Village supports this project and appreciates them addressing an ongoing issue for Clemmons residents and businesses.

Council Member Cameron moved to adopt Resolution 2020-R-1 Supporting Forsyth County to Construct an Enhanced Traffic Flow and Stacking Design for Tanglewood Park Special Events (attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated as a part of the minutes). The motion was seconded by Council Member Barson and unanimously approved.

- G. Council Comments – Council Member Cameron stated the newly elected officials attended the *Essentials of Municipal Government* course put on by UNC School of Government and expressed what a benefit it is to have them available to answer any questions.

**Adjournment**

Council Member Cameron moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Barson and unanimously approved.



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John Wait  
Mayor

ATTEST:



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Lisa Shortt, NCCMC  
Village Clerk

Resolution Number **2020-R-1**

**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR FORSYTH COUNTY TO CONSTRUCT  
AN ENHANCED TRAFFIC FLOW AND STACKING DESIGN FOR  
TANGLEWOOD PARK SPECIAL EVENTS**

**WHEREAS**, Tanglewood Park Festival of Lights is a longtime cherished Holiday tradition that annually transforms Tanglewood Park into a shimmering Winter Wonderland with more than a million twinkling lights; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tanglewood Festival of Lights continues to be one of the largest and most spectacular light shows in the entire Southeast; and

**WHEREAS**, Thursdays - Sundays are very popular nights at the Festival of Lights and during these nights, long lines and wait times are often expected; and

**WHEREAS**, during the abovementioned popular nights residents and businesses near Tanglewood Park often experience long wait times to get into or out of their properties and neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, Forsyth County commissioned a traffic study to develop recommendations to improve traffic congestion during Tanglewood Park special events such as the Festival of Lights; and

**WHEREAS**, Forsyth County has received bids to construct an enhanced traffic flow and stacking design for Tanglewood Park special events and will consider awarding the construction bid at the January 16, 2020 County Commissioners' meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, the Clemmons Village Council wishes to express the Village's appreciation to the Commissioners for recognizing and taking steps to address the condition and further expresses the Village's support for the project as it will improve access for and the experience for visitors to Tanglewood special events; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed project will make traffic control less burdensome for the Forsyth County Sheriff's Deputies, will help improve access for local businesses and decrease complaints and safety concerns from Clemmons residents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Clemmons Village Council unanimously supports efforts by Forsyth County to construct an enhanced traffic flow and stacking design for Tanglewood Park special events and encourages Forsyth County to move forward at its earliest opportunity so that the project may be complete prior to the 2020 Festival of Lights.

Adopted this the 13th day of January 2020.

  
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John L. Wait, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Lisa Shortt, Village Clerk

