

**TOWN OF STOKESDALE**  
**Executive Session**  
8325 Angel Pardue Road  
Stokesdale, NC 27357

An Executive Session of the Stokesdale Town Council was held on Tuesday, August 5, 2014 at the Town Hall at 8325 Angel Pardue Road.

The following Council members were present: Mayor Randy Braswell, Vicki White-Lawrence, Frank Bruno, William N. (Bill) Jones and Joe Thacker.

Others present included Carolyn Joyner, Finance Officer/Town Clerk.

The session began at 5:51 pm. The Closed Session was held for the purpose of Economic Development. Mayor Braswell said that he has talked to the regional real estate person for the US Post Office and they asked that the meeting be kept confidential. He is investigating the possibility of using the Town Hall building as the Stokesdale Post Office. The representative has indicated that it is highly unlikely that it would happen because of the lack of money. Bill Jones helped him to produce a sketch of the layout of Town Hall including the parking lot. The Stokesdale Postmaster has visited Town Hall. If this building is considered, the Post Office would have to look at all commercial real estate that is available.

Mayor Braswell said that he wanted to bring Council up to date on the matter. He suggested sending a letter offering the possibility for the Post Office to look at the building and to send drawings and a sketch of the building.

Ms. White-Lawrence asked if the offer would be to look at the existing facility or an expansion of the building. Mayor Braswell said that the Post Master felt that they only needed a very small area. The letter would offer for them to come and look at the building. There may be some modifications such as the addition of post office boxes.

Mr. Jones said that some modifications such a separate exterior entrance may be needed. A layout would be sent to them to see if the building could possibly work. If we could lease a portion of the building, it would help to offset the maintenance expenses to keep up the building and this is restricting the funds and limiting what Council can do. He said that even if it resulted in the Post Office being moved to another location, it would be a benedictional to the Town. This would get the conversation started.


Mr. Thacker said that an expansion may be needed to accommodate the post office boxes. He would like to look at how it could be expanded.

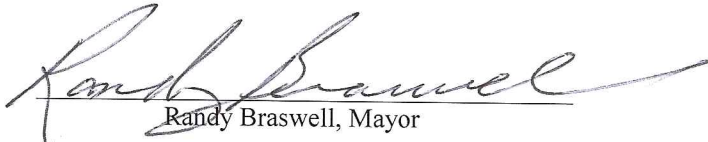
Mayor Braswell said that he would like to offer the plans for them to review. He discussed the possibility of a lease if they should be interested in looking at the building. He suggested authorizing him to put together a letter which he would hand to Council members for their review.

Ms. White-Lawrence said that she was not in favor of chopping up Town Hall. There was discussion about bringing more people to Town Hall and getting them use to using it. Mayor Braswell showed Council the drawings that would be included with the letter.

Council returned to open session at 6:16 pm.

Approved:

  
Carolyn L. Joyner, Town Clerk

  
Randy Braswell, Mayor