



# TOWN OF MARSHVILLE

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**Town Council Meeting**  
**Monday, November 18th, 2019 7:00 PM**  
**Marshville Town Hall**

## **Work Session**

**Present:** Mayor Pro-tem Virginia Morgan; Council Members Margaret Bivens, Norma Carpenter, Ernestine Staton, and Gary Huntley

**Staff Present:** Frank Deese, Interim Town Manager; Chief of Police Matt Tarlton; Ann Sutton, Town Clerk; Stephen Mull, Public Works Director

### **Call to Order/Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance:**

Mayor Pro tem Morgan called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Council Member Huntley gave the opening prayer. Everyone stood and-gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Public Comments:**

Jennifer Moore, 711 Olive Branch Rd., stated that she emailed the Council Members about resources for community recreation events provided by UNCC and Wingate University and only received a response from Council Member Carpenter. Next, Ms. Moore stated that she has heard that the Town Council will not listen to her complaints or suggestions because she lives outside the town limits. Ms. Moore reminded the Council that the taxes she pays for the town's schools, roads and water, and asked for the Council to not dismiss that.

Gail Kiker, 905 Forest Drive, discussed the elections.

Council Member Staton discussed why she didn't respond to the email.

### **Adoption of Agenda:**

Mayor Pro tem Morgan requested a motion to adopt the agenda. Council Member Staton made a motion, Council Member Huntley seconded. All Ayes. Motion passes unanimously.

### **Public Works Director's Report:**

Public Works Director Stephen Mull reported on the Public Works Department's work for the year.

Manager Deese praised the work of Stephen Mull and the other Public Works employees' hard work. Manager Deese also requested that there needs to be a policy that addresses leaf and limb pick up.

Mayor Pro tem Morgan said that a leaf and limb policy needs to be added to the next agenda.

Manager Deese requested that Council Members come up with a few suggestions and get them to him prior to the next meeting.

Council Member Staton asked if the Public Works Department ever finds themselves in a situation where they are picking up limbs that are too big or limbs that should not be picked up.

Public Works Director Mull stated it does sometimes happen that either they have to try and reach out to the homeowners and ask them to cut them into smaller pieces or citizens will throw limbs in ditches which makes them harder to get without damaging the ditch.

Mayor Pro tem Morgan thanked Public Works Director Mull for a good job.

**Police Chief's Report:**

Chief Tarlton discussed one officer retiring and that they are in the process of hiring another full-time police officer and a reserve officer. Chief Tarlton then discussed the food drive that the police department does. Chief Tarlton then discussed training that his officers will receive through the Union County Sheriff's Office. Chief Tarlton also talked about the town's crime statistics and the car break-ins.

Manager Deese praised the job Chief Tarlton and the Marshville Police are doing.

**Manager's Report:**

Manager Deese discussed duplicate ordinances that were found and that he is reviewing the town's ordinances to make sure they are up to date. Manager Deese discussed the study of the crossing on East Union Street and that a Hawk Signal may cause more issues than it solves. Manager Deese also discussed updates on the town Pedestrian Plan.

**Council Member's Comments:**

Council Member Bivens did not have any comments.

Council Member Carpenter said that CRTPO ended tonight.

Council Member Huntley thanked everyone for coming out and to stay safe.

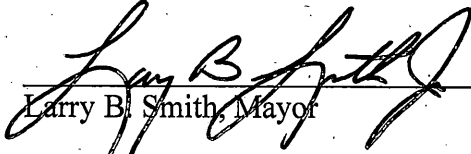
Council Member Staton said she hopes to see everyone in the parade and stated that Frank Deese has done a good job.

Mayor Pro tem Morgan asked about the Christmas Parade, and then reminded everyone about the tree lighting and the next Town Council Meeting.

**Adjournment:**

Mayor Pro tem Morgan requested a motion to adjourn. Council Member Bivens made motion, Council Member Staton seconded. All Ayes. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

Approved this 3rd day of February 2020

  
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Larry B. Smith, Mayor

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Ann Sutton, Town Clerk