



**TOWN OF GORDONSVILLE  
TOWN COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING**

Monday, December 5, 2022  
6:00 p.m.  
Council Chambers

**CALL TO ORDER** - Mayor Robert Coiner

Mayor Coiner called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Robert Coiner  
Vice-Mayor Emily Winkey  
Councilmember Ronald Brooks III  
Councilmember Elizabeth Samra

**CLOSED SESSION – INTERVIEW OF PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATES FOR COUNCIL VACANCY**

*Council will convene in Closed Session pursuant to Code of Virginia Section 2.2-3711 paragraph (A1) – discussion of assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body.*

Councilmember Brooks made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Samra, to convene into closed session pursuant to Code of Virginia Section 2.2-3711 paragraph (A1) – discussion of assignment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body.

**Roll call vote:**

Councilmember Brooks	Aye
Councilmember Samra	Aye
Vice-Mayor Winkey	Aye
Mayor Coiner	Aye

The vote was unanimous.

Councilmember Brooks made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Samra, that only matters lawfully exempted under Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 paragraph (A1) as identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened, were heard, discussed or considered in the closed meeting.

**Roll call vote:**

Councilmember Brooks	Aye
Councilmember Samra	Aye
Vice-Mayor Winkey	Aye
Mayor Coiner	Aye

The vote was unanimous.

At 8:10 p.m., Mayor Coiner and Councilmembers reached a consensus to recess the special meeting due to the 7:00 pm Council work session scheduled after the special meeting.

Councilmember Brooks made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Samra, to recess the Monday, December 5, 2022 Town Council special meeting at 8:10 p.m. and reconvene this meeting on Monday, December 5, 2022 at 9:30 p.m.

**Roll call vote:**

Councilmember Brooks	Aye
Councilmember Samra	Aye
Vice-Mayor Winkey	Aye
Mayor Coiner	Aye

The vote was unanimous.

At 9:52 p.m., Councilmember Brooks made a motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor Winkey, to reconvene the Monday, December 5, 2022 Town Council special meeting.

**Roll call vote:**

Councilmember Brooks	Aye
Councilmember Samra	Aye
Vice-Mayor Winkey	Aye
Mayor Coiner	Aye

The vote was unanimous.

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Councilmember Brooks made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Vice-Mayor Winkey, to convene into closed session pursuant to Code of Virginia Section 2.2-3711 paragraph (A1) – discussion of assignment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body.

**Roll call vote:**

Councilmember Brooks	Aye
Councilmember Samra	Aye
Vice-Mayor Winkey	Aye
Mayor Coiner	Aye

The vote was unanimous.

Councilmember Brooks made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Vice-Mayor Winkey, that only matters lawfully exempted under Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 paragraph (A1) as identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened, were heard, discussed or considered in the closed meeting.

**Roll call vote:**

Councilmember Brooks	Aye
Councilmember Samra	Aye

Vice-Mayor Winkey           Aye  
Mayor Coiner                 Aye  
The vote was unanimous.

**CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT TO TOWN COUNCIL**

Mayor Coiner stated everyone who expressed him or herself for consideration for the Town Council vacancy showed how passionate they are and the love they have for the Town, and their desire to be a part of the decision-making process that will affect the future of the Town.

After hours of deliberation regarding the appointment, Mayor Coiner made a motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor Winkey, to adopt resolution #2022-11b to appoint Theresa Lewis of 408 S. Main Street, Gordonsville, VA to fill the Council vacancy created by the passing of Councilmember James. L. Bradley.

**Roll call vote:**                 Councilmember Brooks        Aye  
                                  Councilmember Samra        Nay  
                                  Vice-Mayor Winkey          Aye  
                                  Mayor Coiner                 Aye  
The vote was 3-1.

**CONSIDERATION OF CIRCUIT COURT PETITION FOR SPECIAL ELECTION.**

Councilmember Brooks made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Samra, to adopt resolution #2022-11c directing the Town Attorney to file a petition with the Orange County Circuit Court to set a special election for November 7, 2023 to fill the Council vacancy created by the passing of Councilmember James "Jim" Bradley.

**Roll call vote:**                 Councilmember Brooks        Aye  
                                  Councilmember Samra        Aye  
                                  Vice-Mayor Winkey          Aye  
                                  Mayor Coiner                 Aye  
The vote was unanimous.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other discussion, Mayor Coiner adjourned the meeting at 11:03 p.m.

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Robert K. Coiner, Mayor

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Janet W. Jones, Town Clerk