

## CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

The Board of Councilmen of the Town of Rural Hall went into closed session on January 27, 2022 at 9:31 AM in the Town Hall Council Chambers pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3). The following members were present: Mayor Timothy M. Flinchum; Councilwoman Susan H. Gordon; Councilman Norman E. Horn; Councilman Terry M. Bennett; Town Manager Misty Meadows; and Interim Town Attorney Randolph M. James.

- Members present entered into an entrance conference via zoom with state auditors, Jennifer Myers and Tracy Dyer, in order for the state to start a preliminary investigation due to allegations that came in on a state auditor hotline. The state auditors do not publish a report unless allegations are substantiated. State auditors will be in touch with each member individually and will be requesting financial statements. The state will set up a shared drive for the Town to load their documents and statements.
- Wade Gilley, Finance Director, was asked into the meeting to make him aware of the state audit investigation. Wade Gilley also updated council members on his RFP posting and search for an auditor. Wade Gilley exited the meeting.
- Interim Attorney Randy James updated the Council and Manager Meadows on current litigation matters.

There being no further business, Councilwoman Susan H. Gordon made a motion to adjourn the closed session at 10:55 AM. Councilman Terry M. Bennett seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Misty A. Meadows  
Town Manager