

“The Crossroads to the Future”

Town Council Meeting Minutes

July 17, 2017

7:00 P.M.

Present at Meeting: Mayor Rau, Mr. Bass, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Mellecker, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Knagge, Mr. Fontes, Mr. Branham, Mr. Williams, six (6) members of the Community, and two (2) members of the Media.

Absent: Mrs. Kirk

- I. **Call to Order** – Mr. Bass at 7:00 PM
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance to Flag & Invocation** – Mr. Bass
- III. **Visitors Welcomed & Reminded Meeting Minutes are Being Recorded** – Mr. Bass
- IV. **Persons Wishing to Address Council – 3 Minute Limit**
 - Pastor Malachi Clowers of 2nd Baptist Church – 45019 Johnson Rd.
 - Asking Council to consider sponsoring the Back to School Backpack Giveaway. Stated that his church and Crossroads are joining up this year and the event will be next door at their facility. Asked the Council to consider \$1500.
 - Lengthy Discussion
 - Council Consensus to allow the Mayor to do an Emergency Funds to Crossroads Family Worship out of Town Promotions in the amount of \$800.
 - Instructed to ask earlier next year.
- V. **Minutes**
 - Motion to Approve the Minutes by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Smith.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

VI. Treasurer's Report

- Motion to Approve the Treasurer's Report by Mrs. Shaw and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

VII. Business

- Public Hearing 1st Reading
 - Setting of Tentative Millage Rate
 - Mr. Williams recommended the Rollback Rate of 3.1561
 - Discussion
 - Motion to set the Tentative Millage Rate at 3.1561 by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Smith.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried
 - Setting of Tentative Budget
 - Mrs. Shaw – Christmas Decorations Budget is \$8,500. Last year's cost was \$8,340, and people weren't happy with them.
 - Council Consensus: Look into other options.
 - Mr. Fontes brought up the Entrance to Town Signs and looking into changing them to recognize all the Warriors and not just the Cheerleaders.
- Public Hearing
 - Alcohol Vendor's License Variance – Callahan Pizza & Wings
 - Ms. Delores Thompson of Hungry Jack Stores, Inc. along with Sharon Howard asked the Council to consider approving the Variance since they are the new owners.
 - Mr. Bass closed the Regular Meeting & opened Public Hearing: 7:29 PM
 - No Public Comment
 - Mr. Bass re-opened the Regular Meeting: 7:30 PM
 - Motion to Approve the Alcohol Variance for Callahan Pizza & Wings by Mrs. Smith and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried
- Public Hearing
 - Ordinance 2017-O04 – Chapter 195 Addition -- RV Parks
 - Mr. Mellecker stated that the Planning & Zoning Board had sent their recommendations.
 - Mrs. Smith asked how many Acres was this Park and where it would be located. Mr. Mellecker stated this is a general addition to the code to cover any future RV Parks.
 - Mr. Bass recommended tabling this until the Council had more time to review.

- Ewing Park Electrical Bids
 - Mr. Williams stated he had received 3 bids for the Electrical work at Ewing Park. The work needs to be done by September 30th.
 - Cogburn Electric - \$22,839
 - Pickett Electric - \$10,400
 - Johnny's Electric - \$9,600
 - Motion to Approve Johnny's Electric to handle the Electric at Ewing Park by Mrs. Smith and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

- Waste Water Treatment Plant – Mittauer & Associates
 - Mr. Fontes stated that it's time to renew the Permit for Plant.
 - He stated he recommends Sole Sourcing with Mittauer & Associates since they are familiar with everything.
 - The Cost of the Contract will be \$7,800. If FDEP doesn't require a Capacity Analysis it would be less \$2,500.
 - Motion to Approve Mittauer & Associates to handle the Waste Water Treatment Plant Permits by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

- CSX Railroad
 - Mr. Bass asked this item to be removed from the Agenda until further notice.

- CDBG Grant -- Assign a Fair Housing Coordinator, an EEO Coordinator, & a Section 504 (Handicapped Accessibility) Contact
 - Mr. Williams stated this is needed for the Package that needs to be sent to the DEO.
 - Mr. Williams recommends Mrs. Knagge for all area.
 - Motion to appoint Mrs. Knagge as Fair Housing Coordinator, EEO Coordinator, and Section 504 Contact for the CDBG Grant by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

VIII. Review & Approval of Town Expenditures

- General Fund **\$7,322.28**
 - Motion to Pay the General Fund by Mrs. Shaw and 2nd by Mrs. Smith.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

- Water & Sewer Fund **\$7,907.66**
 - Motion to Pay Water & Sewer Fund by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

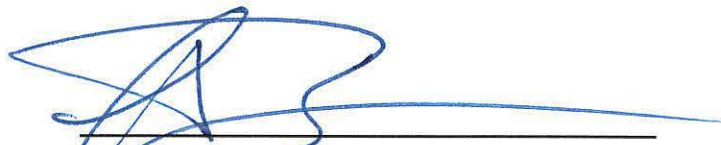
- Water & Sewer Adjustments
 - Jean Scott – More info was requested: the issue was between the Meter & the Street, so it meets the requirements.
 - Motion to adjust Mrs. Scott's bill by \$52.52 by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried
- Water & Sewer Disbursements
 - Mr. Fontes asked the Council to allow the Mayor to sign off on the Disbursements when Lorna returns.
 - Council Consensus: Yes

IX. Around the Council Table

- Mayor – Nothing
- Mrs. Smith – Parks – Nothing
- Mr. Fontes – Water & Sewer
 - Should know the County's plan for their tax increases by September 5th, and we will need to adjust accordingly.
- Mrs. Kirk – Treasurer – Absent
- Mrs. Shaw – Streets -- Nothing
- Mr. Mellecker – Zoning
 - Mr. Howard is moving, so he will need to be replaced on the Planning & Zoning Board.
- Mr. Branham – Attorney – Nothing
- Mrs. Knagge – Clerk
 - Change Date of School Board Joint Meeting – Their Meetings in September are the 14th and 28th
 - Can go into October if needed
 - Council Consensus is September 25th or 26th
 - First Reading of Budget on September 5th due to holiday on the 4th
- Mr. Williams – Town Manager -- Nothing
- Mr. Bass – Council President & Fire
 - Mrs. Kirk father is ill and Hospice has been called. Please keep them in your prayers.
 - The Blinking light on 5th is getting old.
 - Mr. Williams stated he is working with the State and trying to get it fixed.

X. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker.
 - Motion Carried
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- Time: 8:04 PM



John Kenneth Bass, Council President



Stephanie Knagge, Town Clerk