

TOWN OF OAK CITY

January 6, 2020

Minutes

TOWN MEETING 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER –Mayor Stalls

PRAYER- Tommy Williams

REGULAR SESSION

AGENDA/MINUTES- Motion by Commissioner Harrell to accept agenda and minutes, 2nd by Commissioner Burnett

CONSENT AGENDA

BOARD REPORTS

OLD BUSINESS

N. East Ave/ Commerce Street-Commissioner/Town Clerk Porter discussed the cost of paving N. East Ave and Commerce. Porter stated that she had received an email in which Porter read to the board and the citizens in attendance from Mr. Marshall at NCDOT. The email gave an estimated cost to pave from Hwy 11 to Commerce of \$40,000 and to pave from Hwy 11 to N. East Ave with a cost of \$50,000. Mayor Stalls stated that he wanted to make sure this cost was accurate and no other charges will occur. Commissioner Edmondson stated to Mayor Stalls that this is an estimate and not a quote, so the cost may be a little higher. Commissioner Harrell makes a motion to pave from Hwy 11 to N. East Ave for \$50,000, 2nd by Commissioner Brown. **Motion passed unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS

Board Members Appointments- Mayor Stalls discusses his recommendation for the board appointments and ask the Commissioners there thoughts on the appointments? Commissioner Edmondson ask Commissioner/Town Clerk Porter do she feel like it would be any questions or concerns serving as the Finance Officer. Commissioner Porter

stated that she has been the Finance Officer for about 6 years now and that previous Town Clerks have served as the Finance Officer as well. Commissioner Porter also states that the CPA actually does all the work and looks over the books every month. Commissioner Harrell stated that even though Porter writes and signs the checks that Mayor Stalls also signs as well. Commissioner Sue Harrell is appointed to continue her duties as Mayor Pro-tem as standard procedures during previous years the Commissioner with the highest number of votes during election is Mayor Pro-tem. Harrell is also appointed to oversee the Senior Center, Commissioner Brown is appointed to oversee the streets, Commissioner Burnett is appointed to oversee the grass, Newly Elect Commissioner Edmondson will oversee the cemetery and Commissioner/Town Clerk Porter will continue as Finance Officer. Mayor Stalls ask if it is okay for him to oversee the Electrical when some problems occur with power outages because he was the only one willing to get up late at night to see about the lights getting back on. Porter ask if a problem was to occur at the cemetery with the grass who will take care of that issue Commissioner Burnett or Commissioner Edmondson. Both Commissioners Burnett and Edmondson agreed to discuss the issue together when and if that situation arise. **Motion made by** Commissioner Harrell, 2nd by Commissioner Brown

Juanita Brown- Did not show up for meeting

Lauren Peele and Mike Taylor- Addresses the board about purchasing more quality lights for Christmas in 2020 while they are on sale. The board ask how much money is needed and Peele replied about \$1,000. Commissioner/Town Clerk Porter stated that she would talk to the CPA to see if it is in the budget before the Town make a decision to purchase the lights. Mayor stalls ask Ms. Peele how long do she think it would stay on sale and Ms. Peele responded she does not know but probably not long.

Agenda/Public Comment- Mayor Stalls stated that the new rules going forward for Public Comment would be as follows:

Citizens will have to sign his/her name in the book prior to start of the meeting in order to speak, and he/she will be given 3 minutes only, and that the board do not have to respond in public comment. In order to be placed on the agenda he/she will have to contact the Town Clerk one week prior to the meeting and will be giving 5 minutes to speak. Mayor Stalls stated that he has been to several meetings and it seems to work good for them. Mayor Stalls stated that he has received complaints on his handling of the meetings and going forward he wanted to do things differently.

Senior Center- Commissioner Harrell stated that when she decorated the Senior Center for "Breakfast with Santa" she seen the roof leaking puddles of water and that something needs to be done. Harrell states that the board needs to have someone

check the roof to see what need to be done. Mayor Stalls stated that he would contact Tim Boddie to see if he will look at it.

Marvin Hillard- Hillard is not present but he sent his representative Abby Mason with TFBU Foundation about waving the deposit to have lights connected being they are a non-profit. Commissioner Harrell stated that the board has done it before for West Martin Alumni and that she did not see a problem with it. Commissioner Burnett made a motion to wave the deposit, 2nd by Commissioner Harrell. **Motion passed unanimously**

PUBLIC COMMENTS- None

CLOSE SESSION- Motion made by Commissioner Harrell to go into close session, 2nd by Porter @ 9:17 p.m.

After returning back to regular session a motion was made by Commissioner Edmondson that all customers requesting a new security light that Mr. Cannon has a response time of one month, customers requesting a replacement security or street light response time is a week with a 2 week maximum. Mr. Cannon is to turn in all invoices to the Town Clerk by the end of the week. All work order request are to go through the Town Clerk so she can give it to Nick to be completed. If Mr. Cannon do not comply could result in a pay cut. The Board agrees to revisit this matter in a couple of months. Motion 2nd by Commissioner Brown. **Motion passed unanimously**

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Brown, 2nd by Commissioner Porter

Meeting ends at 9:45

William Stalls Mayor 2-3-20
Vonetta Porter Town Clerk 2/3/20

