

TOWN OF OAK CITY

June 1, 2020

Minutes

FISCAL YEAR END BUDGET MEETING 6:45

TOWN MEETING 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER

REGULAR SESSION

In Attendance- Mayor Stalls; **Commissioners:** Brown, Burnett, Edmondson, Harrell and Porter

AGENDA/MINUTES- N/A

CONSENT AGENDA

BOARD REPORTS- Commissioner Harrell reported that the repairs at the Senior Center should be complete by Wednesday, June 03, 2020

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Fiscal Year End Budget 2020-2021- Motion by Commissioner Porter to accept Budget, 2nd by Commissioner Harrell. **Motion passed unanimously**

Amend Budgets #3, #4 and #1- Motion by Commissioner Harrell to amend budgets #3, #4 and #1, 2nd by Commissioner Edmondson. **Motion passed unanimously**

Mosquito Machine/Training- Mayor Stalls discusses the Mosquito machine stating that the Mayor from the Town of Hamilton contacted him asking, if the machine that was returned belongs to Oak City or the Town of Hamilton. Mayor Stalls also stated the Mayor of Hamilton would like to have the machine back in Hamilton to use and they would spray the Town of Oak City. Mayor Stalls also went on to state that when the Town of Hamilton had the mosquito machine they charged us to spray using our own machine. Mayor Stalls stated that the mosquito machine was giving to the Town of Oak City many years ago and that the former Town Supervisor, now Commissioner William Freeman knows that and this is why he returned the machine. Commissioner Porter

stated that she did not feel comfortable with returning the machine to Hamilton for them to spray because they may not return it being that they are questioning Oak City ownership. The board members agreed and Mayor Stalls ask for a motion. Motion by Commissioner Edmondson to keep the machine in Oak City, 2nd by Commissioner Brown. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Commissioner Harrell asked the board whom would they get to spray for mosquitoes? Commissioner Edmondson stated that he is certified as a farmer to use chemicals. Commissioner Porter stated that she spoke with the State and they stated it is a different requirement that is needed and tell Edmondson to call her to ask. Edmondson stated that if he had to go and take the exam he would not be able to travel to Raleigh. Porter replied that if it means keeping the machine in Oak City she would take the class on line on June 9 and 10th as well as go to Raleigh to take the test on June 11. Commissioner Harrell made a motion to allow Commissioner Edmondson to look into if his license would qualify him to spray for mosquitos and if not that Commissioner Porter would take the class and exam to spray. Motion was 2nd by Commissioner Brown. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Citi Pak Contract- Commissioner Porter informed the board that Southern Software will no longer be providing upgrades to Citi Pak and if the system goes down all of the customer utility accounts would be affected. Porter stated that Southern Software did state that they don't know when the system would begin having issues and that it could be a week, month or a year(s) from now but did advise Porter to switch sooner rather than later. Porter went on to explain that Citi Pak is offering a new system call FMS in which she gives the board a copy of the contract for \$1850.00. Commissioner Harrell ask Porter what do she feel would be best. Commissioner Porter stated that she feels we need to upgrade but she would leave it up to the board to decide. Commissioner Brown asked how much money this new system is costing the Town. Porter replied that it is the same fee the Town currently pay for Citi Pak. Motion was made by Edmondson to go with FMS; 2nd by Brown. **Motion passed unanimously.**

State of Emergency Utility Policy- Commissioner Porter stated that the Executive Order for allowing customers not to pay utility bills is schedule to end July 29. In this order the Governor is giving customers 6 months to pay all past due balances. Porter stated that she spoke with EMC and that they are giving customers 8 months as a courtesy. EMC will divide the past due balance into 8 months and the customer will have to also pay the current bill. If customers do not pay the current bill along with whatever the payment plan is for the past due balance he/she will be disconnected and required to pay the total balance before being reconnected. Commissioner Harrell ask Porter would she send a letter to the customers and the sooner the better to give customers time to start paying early. Porter agreed and stated that she will be sending

a letter out to the customers. Motion made by Harrell to go with the same plan as EMC of 8 months 2nd; by Commissioner Burnett. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Motion made by Commissioner Porter to go into Close Session, 2nd by Commissioner Brown.

Mayor, William Stalls 8/3/20
Vonetta Porter, Town Clerk 8/3/20

