

TOWN OF OAK CITY

October 4, 2021

MINUTES

TOWN MEETING 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER- Mayor Pro-tem Commissioner Sue Harrell

PRAYER- Commissioner Phillip Burnett

Attendance- Mayor Pro-tem Commissioner: Sue Harrell, **Commissioners:** Phillip Burnett, KeVonna Easley, Vonetta Porter and Kevin Turner

REGULAR SESSION

AGENDA/MINUTES- Motion by Commissioner Kevin Turner; 2nd by Commissioner Easley

CONSENT AGENDA- N/A

BOARD REPORTS- Commissioner Turner attended the Martin County School Meeting that was held at West Martin Alumni. Turner reported that that the planning committee discussed a 5 year plan for technology.

OLD BUSINESS

Streets- Town Board discusses streets that are in poor condition and how they need to get repaired in order from worse to least. The board is well aware that not much money is in the Powell Bill fund account to prepare all of the roads but will be making preparations to get them repaired. Commissioner Turner who's in charge of the streets went around to get a list compiled for the board to look at the streets that are in need of repair. The board made a list of those streets that are in the worse condition and need to be repaired first are as follows: Commerce/Chestnut, Latham Lane, East Sixth Street, N. Maple/First Street and W. Fourth Street. Porter stated that BK Paving who came out earlier in the year to look at the streets gave a quote on all the streets but the town could not afford to get all of them done at one time, she asked that he give a quote on each street separately but haven't gotten a response.

Ordinance- Mayor Pro-Tem ask the board to review the ordinances that are currently written to see if they wanted to changes to some of the items.

NEW BUSINESS

Lavone Freeman- (Halloween Event) - Ms. Freeman did not show up

Grass (Daniel Higgs) – Mr. Higgs asked for an increase in pay Mayor Pro-Tem Harrell informs Higgs that the board couldn't increase his pay at this time because the budget for this quarter was already done. Higgs stated and showed the board his contract and explained to the board that the areas in his contract that he was cutting was taking from him and given to someone else by a former board member who was in charge of the grass at that time. Porter stated she remember because she was on the board when it happened and was against it. Mayor Pro-tem Harrell stated that she also remember and because she was new to the board at that time but wasn't aware of the details in the contract. Porter stated that the board needs to review the contract in detail and table this until next month meeting before reversing any decisions. Porter also stated that this matter may need to go into close session, so they can meet with the other person who took over cutting the grass in the areas that was taken away from Mr. Higgs. Motion was made by Commissioner Easley to table this matter on the grass until next board meeting; 2nd by Commissioner Turner. **Motion passed 5-0.**

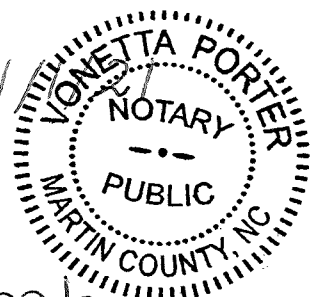
Goose Nest Committee- Mayor Pro-tem informs the board that the Town of Oak City do not have any control over the Goose Nest Committee or Festival and she wanted to make sure it was put into the minutes for future references. Commissioner/Town Clerk Porter stated that the Goose Nest Committee operates separately from the Town in the same manner as Oak City Parade Committee. Therefore the board can't make any decisions or dismantle now or in the future the Goose Nest Committee this can only be done by the Committee itself. The board members agreed that the Town had no involvement in this Committee.

Public Comment- Jean Spruell approaches the board to ask permission for the West Martin Community Center to have a chicken sale on November 6 on the Town Commons. Motion was made by Commissioner Easley to allow them to have the chicken sale; 2nd by Commissioner Burnett. **Motion passed 5-0**

Motion to adjourn made by Burnett, 2nd by Easley.

Meeting adjourn 8:24 p.m.

*Sue Harrell Mayor ProTem 11/1/21
Vionetta Porter, Town Clerk 11/1/21*



Commission expires 9/27/22