TOWN BOARD MEETING – REGULAR MEETING

January 5, 2021

Present: Mayor George Holleman

Mayor Pro-Tem Kenny Poole Commissioner Ronnie Robinette Commissioner Kimberly Brown

Absent: Commissioner Jack Simms – due to COVID-19

The regular meeting was opened for business by Mayor Holleman at 5:30 p.m. The invocation was given by Commissioner Kim Brown. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Robinette to approve the December 1st, 2020 regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

Open Forum:

Mayor Holleman stated that the WPCOG has assistance for individuals age 55 and older that have been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The number for vaccines is 828-632-1717. There were no other comments.

Matt Braswell, Martin Starnes and Associates presented an overview of the FY 2019-2020 audit. The revenues exceeded expenditures in the general fund with an increase of \$136,550 added to available fund balance which equals a 4% increase. The water & sewer fund had a decrease in net position as a result of the numerous storms and damages incurred to the system and a loss of revenues due to COVID-19 impact. Considering all factors, the Town is in very good financial condition. A motion was made by Commissioner Poole and seconded by Commissioner Brown to accept the audit as presented. The motion was passed unanimously. The official copy is in the clerk's office in Town Hall.

A motion was made by Commissioner Robinette and seconded by Commissioner Poole to amend the police department's Use of Force policy to add the following: Use of Force in an Arrest:

1.(c) The Taylorsville's Police Department's use-of-force policies prohibit the use of chokeholds – physical maneuver that restricts and individual's ability to breathe for the purposes of incapacitation – except in those situations where the use of deadly force is allowed by law. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Robinette and seconded by Commissioner Brown to approve the budget amendment for the damages to the park house & urgent care building from the November 12th flood event. See Attachment A, which is incorporated herein and made a part of these minutes. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Poole and seconded by Commissioner Brown to approve a budget amendment for the additional amount needed to purchase the 16 police in-car computers in the amount of \$10,800.00. See Attachment B, which is incorporated herein and made a part of these minutes. The motion was passed unanimously.

David Robinette, Public Works Director gave a monthly written report. He also mentioned that under the solid waste department that the town averages 90 tons of waste per month from town citizens which includes brush & limbs and white goods. Commissioner Poole stated that the crew does a great job.

Doug Bowman, Police Chief, noted that for the month of December there were 100 calls. So far 5 officers have been out due to COVID-19. We are trying to get the vaccine as soon as available. The body camera's that were donated by the City of Mooresville were picked up 2 weeks ago. They are in the process of getting the in-car computers installed. Regarding the speeding on 2nd Street; we are waiting on a portable speed bump. Children at play signs have been put up, hoping to slow motorists down and the officers are more visible in that area.

David Odom, Town Manager stated that we are wrapping up lift station repairs. We are expecting a snowfall this coming Friday and are preparing for the possibility.

Mayor Holleman thanked town staff for taking a dump truck to 3rd Ave. for all the trash to be hauled off. It looks so much better.

The next regular scheduled meeting will be February 2nd, 2021 at 5:30 pm.

With no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Yolanda T. Prince, Town Clerk

Mayor

Commissioner

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