Town Council Meeting Minutes

March 8, 2022

Attendees: Mayor Yeager, Comm. Carver, Comm. Bush, Jeannette DeLude

Public Attendees: Billy Cahall

The meeting was called to order at 6pm

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as submitted

Ms. Debbie Bush was sworn in as a commissioner.

Treasurer's Report - The treasurer's report was approved as submitted

Old Business

Chaney Response – None yet

Parking Lot – Discussed using ARPA funds to improve it with additional parking spots. The mayor stated that the parking area on the side is hard to access when the mail trucks are in. A motion was made to do an RFP for the work by Comm. Carver, Seconded by Comm. Bush, unanimous approval was given.

Recap of Covid Dinner – Everyone agreed it went well, they would like to see more town people attend. Notification to renters is an ongoing concern. Council discussed going door to door to introduce themselves and to collect contact information. A date will be set for that to happen.

New Business

Facebook – The new town facebook page has been created. Ideas on what the town would like to see on the page was discussed. It will be used for events and for information purposes only. All the commissioners and the town manager will monitor and will post as needed.

Voicemail – Previously the Town had assigned each council member and staff member a date to call in to check the voicemail. Once the council changed new assignments were not given. The council decided it may be more effective and may even save money if we changed to a cellphone which the town manager could carry, and handle calls as needed. If she is off for any reason one of the council members will take the cell phone. The Council asked Ms. DeLude to check on the cost of a basic cell phone.

Train Station – Mike Davidson said he will put a foundation under the train station at his expense. The Town would need to decide the location and get whatever permits needed. Any volunteers would be appreciated. A motion was made to agree to allow Mr. Davidson to move forward with that. Jeannette will contact MDIA re inspections.

Building Upgrades – Denton doing EOC with ARPA money. Comm Carver suggested we do the same upstairs in our town hall and upgrade our downstairs area. Jeannette has contacted Hagarty Consulting re the ARPA funds and is waiting on a response

Easter Competition – The Mayor suggested we have a contest for people to guess how many eggs in an Easter basket. People come in and vote on Tuesdays or at next meeting and we do a give away at the next meeting. Everyone liked the idea. Comm. Bush will see if she has plastic eggs we can use. Ms. DeLude suggested we rent a bunny costume for next meeting and the Easter bunny could present the prizes . All agreed, Ms. DeLude will contact Actors Attic to get a costume. The Council agreed we would have an adult and child contest.

Town Inspections – The council discussed recent concerns with MDIA. They asked Ms. DeLude to contact First State to get information and pricing.

Public comments – The Mayor recognized a new resident who was in attendance. He introduced himself as Mr. Bob Lavigne and he had moved here from New Jersey and was interested in what was happing in the Town. The Council thanked him for attending.

Billy Cahall – Mr. Cahall stated the parking lot at the town park has a big pothole. The Mayor said the town needs to get millings and then he can use the skid loader to lay the millings. Comm. Carver suggested we also ask the county if they can help.

Council comments -

The Mayor stated we would need to find someone to fill his spot on the PZ board since he was now the Mayor. Comm. Bush agreed to fill that spot.

Board of Appeals – The Mayor stated we also need to appoint members to the Appeals board. The previous members terms have expired. We can reach out to see if they are still interested and also post on our website and FB to see if we can get volunteers

Town manager – see attached

Events – Mary Yeager was appointed the events coordinator at a previous meeting and we need to get volunteers signed up to help her.

Sheriffs report - see attached

The meeting was adjourned at 705pm