

TOWN BOARD MEETING – REGULAR MEETING

December 1, 2020

Present: Mayor George Holleman
Mayor Pro-Tem Kenny Poole
Commissioner Ronnie Robinette
Commissioner Jack Simms
Commissioner Kimberly Brown

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Simms and seconded by Commissioner Brown to add the following items to the agenda. Addition of 5a: Budget Amendment. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simms and seconded by Commissioner Brown to approve the November 3rd, 2020 regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

Open Forum:

Linda Coxon spoke before the Town Board regarding excessive speeding down 2nd Street. She stated that vehicles go way too fast down 2nd Street and also noted the loud noise of radios and exhaust systems of some vehicles. She also noted that it is hard to see on-coming traffic because of bushes at the intersection. Mayor Holleman asked Chief Bowman to look into the matter and report back. There were no other comments.

Town Manager, David Odom noted that the damages from the storm event on November 12th, 2020 totals over \$84,000.00 and all information is not in yet.

A motion was made by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Robinette to approve the budget amendment from W&S fund balance to the system maintenance line item for 63,000.00 was approved and from fund balance appropriated-powell bill to powell bill expense for \$17,245.00 in order to pay for the storm damages. The motion was passed unanimously. See Attachment A, which is incorporated herein and made a part of these minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Robinette and seconded by Commissioner Poole to approve the budget amendment for the CARES ACT funding. See Attachment B, which is incorporated herein and made a part of these minutes. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Robinette and seconded by Commissioner Brown to approve a budget amendment in order to receipt in insurance reimbursement proceeds for damages to police cars. See Attachment C, which is incorporated herein and made a part of these minutes. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simms and seconded by Commissioner Brown to approve

a budget amendment moving money to the police department capital outlay for the purpose of purchasing 16 new in car camera's. The motion was passed unanimously. See Attachment D, which is incorporated herein and made a part of these minutes.

David Robinette, Public Works Director expressed his appreciation for the public works crew and all their hard work during the recent storms requiring night and weekend hours and the overall normal activities to keep the town running smoothly.

Doug Bowman, Police Chief, noted that for the month of November, there were 17 arrests, 34 charges and 61 citations. The speeding on 2nd Street was noted. The drug officer is now in place and working with other surrounding departments and 1 deal netted 90 lbs. of methamphetamine, 15 lbs. of cocaine and \$209,000.00 in cash. We will receive a % distribution of the cash. The award notice has been received that the grant for the radios will be awarded and the funding should be received soon. Officer Woods saved a woman from her car that was swept away during the storm event on November 12th, 2020. The B&E's into outbuildings on 6th and 7th Street's was solved. The City of Mooresville donated their old body and in-car camera's to the Taylorsville Police Department.

David Odom, Town Manager thanked the Town Council for their support during these unusual and unexpected events such as the recent storms and all other issues with COVID-19. The town has really pulled together and performed multi-tasking to cover all bases during short staffing because of COVID-19. Some areas cannot be maintained as well as before the COVID-19, especially Matheson Park because we do not have the inmates to help. Councilman Ronnie Robinette stated 2020 was one of the worst year's he's seen. He is proud of all the efforts & appreciates all the hard work of the employees of the town. Jack Simms stated that his first year has flown by.

Mayor Holleman noted that in the 4 county area that section 8 housing has increased by 25%. In the latest employment report, there are 3,000 un filled jobs available in the 4 county area.

The next regular scheduled meeting will be January 5th, 2021 at 5:30 pm.

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

Mayor

Commissioner

Commissioner

Commissioner

Commissioner

Attest: _____
Yolanda T. Prince, Town Clerk