REGULAR MEETING

The Town Council of the Town of Weber City met in a regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 16, 2019. This meeting was held in the assembly room of the Weber City Town Hall in Weber City, Virginia. Prayer was led by Justin Addington. Pledge of Allegiance by all in attendance.

PRESENT: Vice Mayor: Eileen Deckard

Town Attorney: Michael Carrico

Council Members: Justin Addington, Patrick Deskins, Mack Edwards,

MaryLou Roberts.

ABSENT: Interim Mayor: Don Stokes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion to accept the March 19, 2019 and the April 5, 2019 minutes was made by Pat Deskins, seconded by Mack Edwards all voting AYE; none voting NAY.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS: Vice Mayor Eileen Deckard opened the floor for public presentation.

Orbin Alley addressed the board to discuss the ditch line coming down Mountain Drive and Dogwood, questioning the council as to how Mr. Wagner can be misappropriating town funds when this clean out had been done before in either 2008 or 2009 this ditch had been cleaned out by the town back when Mr. Wagner was Vice Mayor. The area floods from water runoff. He feels it is the Towns obligation to help with the flooding issue, stating he had contacted the town hall many times.

Joe Alessandrini started by thanking Orbin Alley for his comments. He wanted to ask the council if the clean out had been done before was the previous mayor asked to resign? Stated if they weren't, it isn't right for the same situation of misappropriating funds only to apply to one person. He questioned where the town is on the status of mowing within the town. Stating weeds are approximately two and half feet long and he did clean up surrounding his property but isn't willing to do that again. Wanted information on how to run for a position on the town council. Final question was how to obtain meeting minutes or financial records. Mr. Carrico advised the information is available for viewing at the town hall.

Betty Alessandrini advised she is not in good physical health to continue mowing for the town. Expressed dis satisfaction of the appearance of the town of weber city. Asked the town to start to think about what is being done here in the town.

Marty Whitt questions the council as to why if Mr. Wagner had offered to pay back the funds upon learning of the misappropriation months ago, then why this is now allowed to be taken to the commonwealth attorneys office and threatened with charges. Stated she feels this is wrong and that the council along with the town should be able to stand and say something isn't right.

JoAnn Summerfield spoke to express concerns that her elder neighbor 87 years of age gets out and cleans his ditch line out himself to avoid flooding. Stated she feels it is beyond disgusting that he needs to do this.

No one else addressed the council Vice Mayor Eileen Deckard Closed the public presentation.

<u>FINANCIAL REPORT:</u> Motion to accept the financial reports was made by Justin Addington, seconded by Mack Edwards all voting AYE; none voting NAY.

Boundary Adjustments Committee No Report

Finance Committee No Report

Fire Department Report: Fire Chief Bruce Cross advised the board 39 calls had been ran from January until today in the Weber City jurisdiction. Mr. Cross wanted to clarify the amount of request from the previous town meeting regarding his requested contribution, he wants the town to just consider how much they can commit to per month to help get the fire department off the hill and obtain a female and kid friendly fire department. He is still interested in the old food city building for purchase however hasn't ruled out obtaining the old Roberts tire building however it is partially owned by the county and Don Billings. He stated he is going to roll out a fundraiser asking for donations from residents. Pat Deskins did communicated with Mr. Cross regarding if funding isn't available not to turn down a gifted building from Mr. Billings. Mr. Cross stated that building may require environmental studies done and that the food city building wouldn't require the studies. Mr. Deskins advised is still considering the funding.

Mayors Report Don Stokes was absent.

Ordinances and Legal Affairs No Report

Personnel Committee No Report

<u>Police Department Report</u>: Chief Delano thanked his officers for hard work and dedication to the town. He asked the council to consider the salary increase for

Officer Kennedy as his probation period had been fulfilled. Asked that the insurance policies be reviewed. Mr. Carrico stated that the council needs to make sure spending town funds appropriately and suggested creating a committee to obtain quotes on the insurance to make sure getting a good product for the cost. Vice Mayor Eileen Deckard asked for help on the committee Mack Edwards volunteered to assist Eileen Deckard on this committee.

<u>Software Committee</u> Pat Deskins says they will be getting the group together to decide on the best choice for the town.

<u>Street Committee</u> Justin Addington stated he and Chief Delano have gotten a list of roads with needs together he will be presenting that showing what order they need to be addressed.

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u>: Summer Workers Proposal, the town received one sealed bid after running the ad in the Virginia Star Paper. Pro Scapes Lawn Bid \$1350.00 monthly. Mr. Carrico advised if wanted to discuss the possible hiring would need to do so in closed session.

The Town Truck did sell on gov deals website for \$1001.99 along with the Salt Spreader selling for \$130.00.

Motion to enter closed session to discuss legal and personnel matters was made by Justin Addington, seconded by Mack Edwards all voting AYE; none voting NAY.

CLOSED SESSION: 7:45 p.m.

Motion to enter back into open session was made by Mack Edwards, seconded by Pat Deskins all voting AYE; none voting NAY.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION: After returning from closed session, the Mayor and councilmembers, hereby certify that only legal and personnel matters for which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the Vice Mayor and Council members. Roll Call Voting "aye" were Eileen Deckard, Justin Addington, Patrick Deskins, Mack Edwards, and MaryLou Roberts; and voting "nay" were: ______ None _____. The closed session adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Actions from closed session:

Motion involving employee number one to receive a pay raise of a dollar and fifty cents was made by was made by Pat Deskins, seconded by Mack Edwards all voting AYE; none voting NAY.

Motion involving employee number two to receive a pay raise of a dollar and fifty cents was made by was made by Justin Addington, seconded by Pat Deskins all voting AYE; none voting NAY.

Motion to designate Pat Deskins to sign checks for the town of weber city was made by Justin Addington, seconded by Mack Edwards all voting AYE; none voting NAY.

Vice Mayor Eileen Deckard asked for a motion regarding the landscaping for the town from the sealed bids. No motion was given, the motion dies for lack of a motion.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: Justin Addington made motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Mack Edwards. Motion passed with all voting AYE; none voting NAY.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Eileen Deckerd, Interim Mayor

Town Secretary