

REGULAR MEETING

The Town Council of the Town of Weber City met in a regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 18, 2020. This meeting was held in the assembly room of the Weber City Town Hall in Weber City, Virginia. Prayer was led by George Lane. Pledge of Allegiance by all in attendance.

PRESENT: Mayor: Pat Deskins
Town Attorney: Michael Carrico
Council Members: Mack Edwards, George Lane, Mary Lou Roberts, Greg Smith.
ABSENT: Council Members: Justin Addington, Eileen Deckard

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to accept the January 21, 2019 Regular Monthly meeting minutes was made by Greg Smith, with the correction of adding subdivision to the public presentation note, as well as adding per hour to the amount listed under pay for the new police chief was seconded by George Lane, motion passed with 4 voting AYES; none voting NAY; Two members absent.

Motion to accept the January 2020 financial reports was made by Greg Smith, seconded by George Lane, motion passed with 4 voting AYES; none voting NAY; Two members absent.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS: None

Boundary Adjustment /Ordinance Committee Greg Smith stated that he along with Eileen Deckard and Mike Carrico met to discuss preliminary plans to suggest the town try to annex the Bray property along with across the road to include the property purchased by the Weber City Fire Department.

A motion was made to appear before the county board of supervisors to request a boundary adjustment to include the Bray property and across the river to include where the fire department plans to relocate the fire department was made by Greg Smith seconded by George Lane, motion passed with 4 voting AYES; none voting NAY; Two members absent.

Finance Committee Pat Deskins discussed the new minimum fee for a license is fifty dollars currently no one has complained. After discussion on the time businesses file returns to the IRS a motion was made to extend the current due date from March 1st each year to May 1st by Greg Smith seconded by George Lane, motion passed with 4 voting AYES; none voting NAY; Two members absent.

Town trash service our current contract with Waste Management has expired and waste management has agreed to honor the old pricing until the end of June 2020. The town will need begin to obtain bids regarding the agreement renewal. Mike Carrico stated he would look over the proposed contracts.

A motion was made to obtain a request for proposals for a fiscal year audit for the town was made by Greg Smith seconded by Mary Lou Roberts, motion passed with 4 voting AYES; none voting NAY; Two members absent.

Fire Department. Chief Bruce Cross addressed to board to state it has been a quiet month and asked what the decision will be on repairing the heat in the building, Mayor Deskins advised that

would be discussed later in tonight's meeting. Mayor Deskins asked what the plans would be if the town agreed to donate the current building to the fire department? Mr. Cross advised he had no plans to sell the building he would like to keep it as an asset. If he moved out the he would like to implement a way for the fire department to use the building for revenue. Mr. Carrico stated on behalf of the town as he plans to move outside of the town limits, he would need more information regarding what exactly belongs to the fire department or the town and what board he reports to. Mr. Cross advised the money donated from the town is used to buy equipment and stated he hoped the town could annex all the way to the state line. Mr. Deskins advised it is his opinion if Mr. Cross left the town limits to build a new station he would see it as if they just start over, leaving all to Weber City and simply just start over fresh on his own with a new fire station. Mr. Cross stated he felt most of the funding is from the county and county residents so he feels the town wouldn't be entitled to much more than old equipment. He stated most fire calls are outside of the town limits mostly calls for weber city are wreck involved calls his major concern is to serve the community. Mr. Deskins advised he would like to meet with the fire department board to discuss this further.

Legal Affairs. No Report

Maintenance Committee Greg Smith stated he had spoken with Mr. Cross and he feels the town needs to purchase two new heaters for the fire department. A motion was made by Greg Smith to obtain three sealed bids to replace the heaters, seconded by George Lane, motion passed with 4 voting AYES; none voting NAY; Two members absent.

Mayors Report Mayor Deskins advised he needs to appoint a vice mayor. A motion was made by Greg Smith to appoint Eileen Deckard. With no second motion failed. A motion was made by Mack Edwards to appoint Greg Smith as vice mayor, seconded by George Lane, motion passed with 4 voting AYES; none voting NAY; Two members absent.

Personnel Committee No Report, Mike Carrico stated he has an application for a part time officer. Mayor Deskins he would discuss with the police chief as he can hire a part time employee without council votes.

Police Department Police chief Brian Mauk stated academy dues are due in February. Stated a non-budgeted item the county 911 office is requesting funding for a paper supply charge, stating this hasn't been billed to the town since 2012. This is information that is Mike Carrico asked are they wanting to charge us from 2012 to current? Mr. Mauk stated no that this would be going forward as a new bill. Mr. Carrico stated he would call the 911 office follow up with questions regarding where the funding for the office comes from? Mr. Mauk stated he would like to begin using the probationers that are involved in a supervised probation program with the Commonwealth attorney. Mr. Deskins asked if this would be any cost to the town? Mr. Mauk stated no this would be at no cost and would be good to utilize those people. Mr. Mauk stated the repairs that Pat Deskins had done to the computer in the police department seems to be working, and that he had given the three laptops to Matt Bright at the county office to open for him. Pat Deskins advised that he also would work on the laptops for free for the town.

Street Committee George Lane discussed streetlight out on Baltic. Pat Deskins advised for the police chief to obtain the pole number to the clerk.

Old Business None

Mack Edwards addressed the board with a letter to advise that he plans to resign effective immediately. Pat Deskins advised he would accept the resignation, however as Mr. Edwards would be not voting an acceptance vote will have to be postponed until the next meeting to have a proper quorum.

ADJOURNMENT: Greg Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by George Lane Motion passed with 4 voting AYES; none voting NAY; Two members absent. Meeting adjourned 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Patrick Deskins

Town Secretary