

REGULAR MEETING

The Town Council of the Town of Weber City met in a regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2020. 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: Mayor: Pat Deskins
Town Attorney: Michael Carrico
Council Members: Justin Addington, Eileen Deckard, Mack Edwards, George Lane, Mary Lou Roberts, Greg Smith.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

Donnie Qualls requested an update on the previous months request to get a streetlight on Pierce Street. Mr. Carrico advised he didn't obtain the restrictions thus far. Due to possible subdivision restrictions, Mr. Qualls stated if it was needed, he could get neighbors to sign to wave any and all restrictions and allow a streetlight for Pierce Street.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to accept the December 17, 2019 Regular Monthly meeting minutes was made by Eileen Deckard, seconded by Greg Smith, motion passed with 4 voting AYES; none voting NAY; One abstention by Greg Smith, Abstention Mary Lou Roberts and Mack Edwards.

Motion to accept the January 9, 2019 Special called meeting minutes was made by Justin Addington, seconded by Greg Smith, motion passed with 6 voting AYES: none voting NAY

Motion to accept the December 2019 financial reports was made by Eileen Deckard, seconded by Justin Addington, motion passed with 6 voting AYES.

Boundary Adjustment Committee. No Report

Finance Committee Eileen Deckard advised that the new police car had been purchased and is parked in the garage bay downstairs. Permission was given by USDA allowing the town to change the vehicle type so that a car could be purchased using the existing grant.

Fire Department. Chief Bruce Cross addressed to board to advise year to date within the County he has had 30 calls. State he is having a heater issue within the Bay area from the Propane heater. Mr. Cross also asked that the town consider donating the existing fire hall to fire department. He accepted the \$10,000 Fire Program funds awarded to the town.

Legal Affairs. No Report

Mayors Report Patrick Deskins advised he wanted to start a new committee to handle needed maintenance. Appointed to the committee was Greg Smith and George Lane.

Ordinance Committee No Report

Personnel Committee skip at this time, will discuss in closed session

Police Department Interim Police Chief Jim Benton addresses the board and advised he was trying to obtain a special ID. A letter had been sent to Rick Clark to update existing grants. He has reported to Treads for DCJS. Mutual Aid letter has been signed. He is still trying to clean up within the department to see what other reports would need to be completed properly.

Street Committee No Report

Old Business None

CLOSED SESSION: Motion to go into CLOSED SESSION to discuss legal and personnel issues was made at 7:24 p.m. by Justin Addington and seconded by George Lane. Motion passed with all voting AYE; none voting NAY.

Eileen Deckard asked for a Motion to go out of CLOSED SESSION and back into regular session was made at 7:40 p.m. by Justin Addington and seconded by George Lane. Motion passed with all voting AYE; none voting NAY.

CERTIFICATE OF CLOSED SESSION

The Mayor, Council members and the Town's Attorney entered closed session at 7:24 p.m.

After returning from closes session, the mayor and council members, 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 Mayor and Council members. Voting "AYE" were Eileen Deckard, Mary Lou Roberts, Mack Edwards, George Lane, Greg Smith, Justin Addington; and voting "NAY" were: NONE. Abstention Mayor Patrick Deskins. The closed session adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Action from closed session:

Eileen Deckard asked if any motions coming out of closed session.

Motion to appoint Brian Mauk as police chief was made by George Lane, seconded by Mack Edwards.

Motion to appoint Patrick Deskins as police chief was made by Justin Addington, seconded by Eileen Deckard.

With two motions on the floor:

Patrick Deskins for police chief:

motion failed with 2 voting AYES; none voting NAY; One abstention by Greg Smith

Brian Mauk for police chief:

Motion passed with 3 voting AYES; 2 voting NAYS; One abstention by Greg Smith.

CLOSED SESSION: Motion to go into CLOSED SESSION to discuss legal and personnel issues was made at 7:45 p.m. by Justin Addington and seconded by Eileen Deckard. Motion passed with all voting AYE; none voting NAY.

Patrick Deskins asked for a Motion to go out of CLOSED SESSION and back into regular session was made at 7:40 p.m. by Justin Addington and seconded by George Lane. Motion passed with all voting AYE; none voting NAY.

CERTIFICATE OF CLOSED SESSION

The Mayor, Council members and the Town's Attorney entered closed session at 8:11 p.m.

After returning from closes session, the mayor and council members, 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 Mayor and Council members. Voting "AYE" were Patrick Deskins, Eileen Deckard, Mary Lou Roberts, Mack Edwards, George Lane, Greg Smith, Justin Addington; and voting "NAY" were: NONE. The closed session adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Action from closed session:

Motion to hire Ted Fletcher as full-time police officer was made by Justin Addington and seconded by Eileen Deckard motion passed with 4 voting AYES; none voting NAY; Two abstention by Marylou Roberts and Mack Edwards.

Motion to hire Matt Bishop as full-time police officer was made by George Lane, seconded by Justin Addington motion passed with 4 voting AYES; none voting NAY; Two abstention by Marylou Roberts and Mack Edwards.

CLOSED SESSION: Motion to go into CLOSED SESSION to discuss legal and personnel issues was made at 8:17 p.m. by Justin Addington and seconded by George Lane. Motion passed with all voting AYE; none voting NAY.

Patrick Deskins asked for a Motion to go out of CLOSED SESSION and back into regular session was made at 8:19 p.m. by Eileen Deckard and seconded by Greg Smith. Motion passed with all voting AYE; none voting NAY.

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Action from closed session:

Motion was made by Justin Addington to pay Police Chief \$20.73 per hour; pay the new police officers \$17.00 per hour, benefits and be placed on a 90-day probation period. To retain Jim Benton for 30days to assist Brian Mauk police chief. Seconded by George Lane Motion passed with 5 voting AYES: none voting NAY one abstention by Greg Smith.

ADJOURNMENT: Justin Addington made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by George Lane Motion passed with 6 voting AYES; none voting NAY. Meeting adjourned 8:22p.m.

Mayor Patrick Deskins

Town Secretary