

07/09/2020 TC Meeting

Mayor Reichart brought the meeting to order to start @ 7PM. Pledge of Allegiance was done and then the Pastor did the prayer.

There was a full board present and Attorney Lyndsey Ryan, along with Town Manager Wendy Dixon, Assistant Finance Clerk Jaime Fowler, and Waste Water Foreman Bill Lesmieres.

Lyndsey stated that there was an executive session last meeting from 6:55PM – 7:30 PM on a personnel matter.

Mayor Reichart brought up approving the minutes from both June meetings. Motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to approve them, Second by Commissioner Cunningham. All in favor “1”.

COVID 19 Updates: Mayor Reichart stated Town Hall opened back up 07/06/2020. He asked if there have been any issues; response was No.

Paul Corrigan: Town attorney Lyndsey is going to read a letter he asked to be read at the meeting, see attached. Lyndsey explained the tree line, and that her, Mayor Reichart and Commissioner Knight went and met with Corrigan’s Attorney and discussed some ways to try to stop the flow of traffic. Mayor Reichart stated that they had a verbal agreement when they left and Lyndsey stated that they spent the last two weeks discussing various options. Commissioner Mackey said they have maintained the hill. Commissioner Mackey suggested we take our pile of dirt out of there. Commissioner Harrison said we could plant trees there. Commissioner Cunningham said he only sees kids riding bikes on it. He thinks there should be a path for kids to walk to each other within the neighborhood. Lyndsey stated that no one has the title to it. Commissioner Mackey asked how long is it going to go on before we have a solution? Commissioner Cunningham said we need to decide on it tonight. Lyndsey suggested that they go in to closed session to discuss it more.

GVFC: Billy Biddle said it has been quiet. Commissioner Knight asked about drive in movies.

Planning Commission: The last meeting was cancelled.

Parks Board: No meeting until the 15th.

Public Works: Billy Biddle discussed how they are busy cutting grass and planted 18 trees. Bill Lesmieres thanked Public Works guys for doing the trees because it will make everything look so much better. Waiting to hear back from the Historical Society in reference to the new PW building. Stated he did his first water samples for the state this week.

Police: Chief Lee, pretty uneventful; see attached.

Town Manager Report: Dixon stated she met with Leslie Grunden and the trees will be going in the Choptank Park. Also will be updating the website. MDIA will officially start doing the infractions around town. Baldwin homes package needs to be approved. Thanked the guys for planting all the free trees. See Attached.

Old Business: Discussed Miller; Attorney Lyndsey said they wouldn't agree to terminate without a cause, but they did go for the one-year contract. Mayor Reichart asked Bill & Lyndsey if they agreed with this, they did. Commissioner Cunningham made motion and Commissioner Knight seconded it. All in favor "I".

New Business: N/A

There was discussion about being able to have meetings with the community again. Suggested asking about using the Fire Hall.

Citizen Advisory Board: There has been no more recent interest. Need to get together with the Pastor & Commissioner Knight. Commissioner Cunningham said they need to make a decision. Thinks we do it and then down size. Commissioner Knight asked what are some suggestions. Commissioner Cunningham said to start with 5 people? Commissioner Knight suggested changing the term and making it less. But Mayor Reichart said we can't do that because of the bylaws. We can't really change them. Set up a timeline to make a decision by the next meeting. Commissioner Harrison brought up we need to update the ordinances and charters and review all of them. Since things have been calmed down since COVID.

Bills: No Questions

Town Council Remarks: Commissioner Knight wanted to say he really appreciates everyone. And that everyone is doing a great job. Commissioner Mackey agreed.

Mayor Reichart looked for a motion to adjourn the meeting and go to closed session. Commissioner Mackey made motion and Commissioner Cunningham seconded it. The meeting was concluded at 7:58PM.

Respectfully prepared by Jaime Fowler