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# Town Council Meeting Town of Greensboro 07.07.22

In attendance: Comm. David Spencer, Comm. Robert Harrison, Comm. Amanda Weaver, Comm. Pete Brelia, Mayor Kevin Reichart, Attorney Lyndsey Ryan, Town Manager Tammy Kelledes, Public Works Supervisor Brandon Cunningham, Community Outreach/Main Street Coordinator Angel Perez, Administrative Clerk Vanice L. Myers, Dominic Fulginiti from Republic Service (via phone), Loge Knight (via zoom), Pastor Doug Morley – Greater Impact Church, Ricky Lynn and Craig Lynn from Bigg Tyme Trash.

The public hearing was called to order by Mayor Kevin Reichart at 6:02 p.m. on July 7, 2022.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation – Pastor Doug Morley, Greater Impact Church.

### Approval of June 2, 2022 and June 16, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Mayor Reichart asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Commissioner Weaver made a motion. Commissioner Brelia seconded the motion. All in favor. Meeting minutes approved.

### **Department Reports**

#### Town Manager

Mrs. Kelledes requested to have the meeting procedures posted to the Town website and also given to attendees. Mayor Kevin Reichart states that he feels the language needs to be softened. Mrs. Kelledes expresses that it is the same language that was posted two years ago.

Mrs. Kelledes advised the Mayor and Council that we are looking into finding a new payroll system as Kelly & Associates have made numerous payroll mistakes lately. Currently have been speaking with Paychex and ADP.

Town Manager, Mrs. Kelledes advised that there are currently two job postings; one for Public Works Technician and the other for Police Officer. There will be another posting going up for Finance Clerk once the job details have been updated due to Sam submitting her resignation.

There was a meeting on June 17<sup>th</sup> regarding the WWTP expansion and again with USDA on July 6<sup>th</sup>, there is a lot of funding out there that we can get more of sooner rather than later.

Only two companies submitted bids for the auditor RFP. The companies were Lindsey and Associates and UHY (formerly TGM). Mrs. Kelledes states she would like to go with the Veteran Owned auditor group.

Mrs. Kelledes and Mr. Perez are working on a Community Legacy grant, deadline is July 13<sup>th</sup> which is steadily approaching. The meet and greet for the election held on June 29<sup>th</sup> at the Fire Company Community Hall went very well.

### Town Attorney

Mrs. Ryan asked for a motion to speak in a closed session for legal advice and an update. Commissioner Brelia made a motion. Commissioner Spencer seconded the motion. All in favor, agenda amended.

# **GVFC**

No one in attendance as the town Carnival was in session at the time.

## Parks Board/Community Outreach & Main Street Coordinator

Per Commissioner Harrison, nothing has been submitted for the six houses. There has been talk about Phase 2 for Baldwin but still no word on when they will start. Attorney Ryan states that Baldwin was still waiting on Phase 1 that was submitted. Mrs. Kelledes advised that there is a need for water meters and that they should be ordered. We do not want to just hold meters in inventory that are going nowhere. Mayor Reichart advised we should at least order the 3-inch meter for the school. Mrs. Kelledes states that she wants to order 10-12 1" meters for now. Commissioner Harrison agrees with the 10-12 and Commissioner Weaver agrees. Commissioner Brelia inquired about how many we currently hold in inventory. Public Works Supervisor Brandon Cunningham states we currently only have 5/8<sup>th</sup>s in inventory not any 1" which are required for the new homes.

Community Outreach Coordinator, Angel Perez presented information regarding agencies he has spoken with that will try to provide services to the Town of Greensboro. Some of those Community Partners are: Caroline County Youth Soccer Association, Choptank Recover, Simple Fiber, YMCA, For All Seasons, Midshore Behavioral Health, Big Brother/Big Sister, Chesapeake Multicultural Center, and CASA of Caroline.

Part of his Outreach has been appearing at the public hearing regarding the removal of the bus route & from Delmarva Transit. Mr. Perez also participated in Chamber of Commerce Re-Opening, Caroline Collective Impact Lunch, Initial Contact Crisis Intervention Training (MSBH) and having Sno Angels present in Town Hall Parking Lot on Thursdays from 5pm to 7pm. He

also advised that our Social Media following has increased to 2,150 followers, last weeks we had 3,616 visits, 60 new followers, most popular post was the CCYSA announcement and Riverfest.

#### Public Works

The guys have been working on grass cutting, painting various Town buildings and brush pick up. They also completed street cleaning with the street sweeping attachment and painted meeting hall.

RS&J out of Easton fixed water valve at Church and Main and also replaced fire hydrant on Church St. They moved the hydrant back a little way so that it was not on the sidewalk. Cleared overgrown bushes and trees at 407 W Sunset and also trimmed some limbs around town to help with grass cutting.

Emergency at Smugglers Pump Station. Bishops came out and cleaned lots of wipes and grease. Prostart to begin adding degreaser treatment monthly as they did not realize it was needed and unaware that it was previously added. A well issue at Waste Water Treatment Plant, L and M Well Services (referred by Bishops) got well back up and running (only company out of four that was contacted that responded).

### **Police**

Chief Biddle reports that as of Saturday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, Ashley has moved on to another agency. We currently have three resumes submitted for her position. One of the new cars is in, in Richmond, VA. The vehicle should be delivered in a couple weeks if not, someone will have to take a ride with the Chief to pick it up.

Request for LEOPS has been submitted. It is a better retirement plan and could help with hiring and retention.

The new recruit is in basic training currently. Caroline County Sheriff's office is currently aware of our staffing shortage and will help out when they can.

### **Old Business**

### Mini Grants

Mini-grants: requested by Town Manager, Mrs. Tammy Kelledes to be moved to closed session due to financial information about each company that needed to be discussed.

### Security Company

Town Manager, Mrs. Tammy Kelledes presented Council with quotes from Alarm Engineering and Safehouse. Mrs. Kelledes thinks that we should go with Safehouse and a security is needed. Commissioner Harrison also states they have better equipment and then we can see who is going into what properties and is stealing or breaking things clearly. Commissioner Brelia agreed that

Safehouse quality of equipment is overall better. Mayor Kevin Reichart wants the public to know that the quote for service is \$35,037.86.

Mayor Reichart asked for a motion to approve Safehouse as the town's new security company. Commissioner Harrison made a motion. Commissioner Spencer seconded the motion. All in favor. Safehouse proposal approved.

### Trash RFP

Representatives from Republic Service (Zoom) and Bigg Tyme Trash were present. The Town received the new bids from both companies. The current contract with Republic Service is until July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

The bid for Republic Service is cans only \$10 for the first year, \$10.50 for the second year and \$11.03 for the third year. The cost with the landfill fees is \$19.00 for the first year \$19.95 for the second year and \$20.95 for the third year.

The bid for Bigg Tyme Trash, not including the landfill fee, is \$14.08 for all three years. The cost of trash with the landfill fee is \$19.50 for all three years. There were no additional bids.

Attorney Ryan suggested that the matter be taken into closed session for legal advice since there were so many questions and the subject has been tabled too many times. They would come out of closed session back into open session and advise the companies of who the new contract will be granted to. The Mayor and Council agreed to discuss in closed session then come back in open session to review.

#### **New Business**

#### <u>Audit RFP</u>

Mayor Reichart advised we have two bids that were submitted. One from Lindsey & Associates and then from TGM (now UHY). Ridgely, Trappe, Preston and Denton use TGM now and are happy and Federalsburg uses them and does not like. Mayor Reichart reviewed the website for Lindsey & Associates and noticed they have very good reviews on their website. Commissioner Spencer was in favor of UHY. The bid for Lindsey & Associates was \$17,750 for the first year and UHY is \$37,500 for the first year.

Mayor Reichart asked for a motion to approve Lindsey & Associates for the new auditor group. Commissioner Harrison made a motion. Commissioner Weaver seconded the motion. All in favor, say I (Commissioner Brelia & Mayor Reichart). All Opposed (Commissioner Spencer).

# Resolution to reduce re-inspection fees

Mayor Reichart asks why are we looking to reducing the fees. Jaime feels uncomfortable going back out to re-inspect items when it does not take long. Commissioner Weaver and Harrison stated that it will encourage them to have the inspections completed correctly the first time.

Also, Jaime has training and administrative costs that she endures for going back out for a reinspection.

Mayor and Council states they can revisit the matter once she gets a lot of push back on the matter.

#### **Town Council Remarks**

Commissioner Weaver wants to know if a decision was made about deer cameras for Ober Park or Choptank River Park. Commissioner Harrison said that they were on sale for \$49.99. Commissioner Brelia states that the Police Chief should be in charge of it and let Public Works to put them up.

Commissioner Weaver requests a summary report from Angel Perez prior to Council Meetings.

Commissioner Spencer thanks Public Works for a job well done and have done a lot of wonderful things around down. Everyone in the office is doing a good job. He does not know if everyone has had a chance to see the video of Tammy for the National program and thinks she did a great job.

Commissioner Harrison wants to know if the Judy Center water situation has been resolved. Public Works Supervisor Brandon Cunningham is to meet with Joe from Whiting and Turner soon.

Commissioner Brelia states that Angel Perez is a ball of fire! He met with Mr. Perez, Mrs. Kelledes and Mayor Reichart to review grant applications and stated that Mr. Perez was full of knowledge.

Mayor Reichart asked for a motion to adjourn the regular meeting to go into closed session to obtain legal advice. Commission Weaver made a motion. Commissioner Harrison seconded the motion. Moving to closed session.

Mayor Reichart asked for a motion to come out of closed session at 8:16 p.m.; Commissioner Weaver made a motion and Commissioner Harrison seconded them motion.

Mayor Reichart stated that Council received legal advice regarding the trash RFP.

In open session, Mayor and Council discussed the trash RFP. Motion by Commissioner Spencer to award the contract to Bigg Tyme; Option 2 for three years. Commissioner Brelia seconded the motion. All in favor.

Mayor Reichert asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Commissioner Weaver and seconded by Commissioner Harrison.

Respectfully submitted by Vanice L. Myers.