02/18/2021

Town Council Meeting Minutes

<u>In attendance:</u> Full Council, along with Town Manger Dixon, Town Clerk Kelledes, Attorney Lyndsey Ryan, and Finance Clerk Fowler. Meeting brought to order at 6:01 PM.

Committee and Department Reports

<u>Town Manager Report:</u> Billy Biddle spoke from PW and said the house would be torn down next week. Chief Glenn Ray has already started moving into his new role. Town Manager Dixon discussed how the roofs above the Police Department are falling in and need work. She discussed Baldwin; there will be further discussion on it in April. Commissioner Mackey asked about Chief Lee pay-out time. Commissioner Cunningham asked if council can a final number. Commissioner Mackey also asked if they can be notified of the exact date of demolition for the house. Ms. Dixon also discussed the call from the lady about the public hearing regarding the chickens.

<u>Taxes:</u> Town Manger Dixon stated that we need to assess \$0.72 tax rate. Commissioner Harrison asked if we can lower it in the future and asked for information regarding the pot plant. Town Manager said she emailed them and nothing is going on; it is all a matter for the courts now.

Town Council Remarks

<u>Parking:</u> Commissioner Harrison brough up the parking issue with the mail carrier and she said she spoke with the person who has been blocking mailboxes and told them to come to the meeting. Commissioner Cunningham said it breaks a federal law blocking mail boxes. Commissioner Mackey said he told them to come talk to us. Town Manger Dixon asked Attorney Ryan if it was a federal offense. Attorney Ryan said yes but their office can't really enforce it. Commissioner Cunningham asked if they can contact our police and then they have to enforce it. Mayor Reichart suggested we add something to the newsletter about it and Town Clerk Kelledes agreed.

<u>Parking Signs:</u> Commissioner Cunningham said there are more complaints now since PW put up the parking signs on his street. A person over the weekend came home and couldn't park so they called 911 to state there was illegal parking. Commissioner Cunningham let people park in his yard because people were getting a little outrageous. The signs clearly state no parking any time. Commissioner Cunningham asked if we can make the signs say times like 7-5 or add Monday- Friday only. Commissioner Cunningham said he understands Chief Glenn Ray's frustration with the matter. He wants ideas; that is why he asked for it to be added to the agenda. Town Clerk Kelledes asked if we are allowed to add to the signs? Attorney Ryan said she needed to look it up on the Town Code. Town Manager brought up that we may start hearing that it's a Commissioner's street and that we need to be careful with it. Town Clerk

Kelledes agreed and said we need to be consistent. Commissioner Harrison said Vaughn Ave is always going to be an issue. Commissioner Cunningham stated it is going to start being weekly calls with summer parties, etc. Town Clerk Kelledes brought up an idea of parking permits even though they are a pain, that may help. Mayor Reichart agreed but said it was for a birthday party so people wouldn't have permits. It was decided to review at the March Workshop and Attorney Ryan would put it on the agenda clearly marked from x-to-x time.

<u>Code Violations:</u> Town Manager said to just let Jaime know because now she will be doing them.

<u>Trash Company:</u> Broad discussion about how people will always complain but overall, they think they are a very good company. There was also discussion concerning how the holiday schedule for trash is posted on Republic's website. Town Manager Dixon suggested adding this to the newsletter as well.

Mayor Reichart wanted to express his gratitude towards Chief Lee. Everyone agreed and said the same.

<u>Adjournment</u>

Mayor Reichart looked for a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Mackey made motion and Commissioner Harrison seconded it. Meeting brought to close at 6:50PM.

Respectfully prepared by,

Jaime Fowler