



Town of Summerton

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Minutes of Council Meeting October 20, 2021 at 6:00PM

Present. Mayor Bagnal, Council Members: Mr. Bryan Rembert, Mr. Terrance Tindal and Mr. Walker Wells, and Mr. Ritchie Way. Also present was Mrs. Amanda Salka, Town Administrator, Ray Perdue, Chief of Police, Jay Kates, Public Works Director, Mrs. Shaquona White, Utility Clerk and Mrs. Frances Feagin, Deputy Town Clerk

Absent: Council Members: Mr. Chalmers Stukes and Mrs. Regina Brown

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Bagnal called the meeting to order at 6:01 p. m.

INVOCATION – Mayor Bagnal

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – All

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Mr. Wells made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Seconded by Mr. Way, all was in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mr. Rembert made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Seconded by Mr. Wells, all was in favor.

ACCEPT AS INFORMATION – Financials of August 2021 were accepted for review. Mr. Rembert asked if there that needed further reviewing. Mrs. Salka said that there is not. She did point out that Water/Sewer did still owe General Fund \$308,000. She said that this has also updated the auditors on this matter.

NEW BUSINESS –

- a. Resolution making the month of October 2021 Anti-Bullying Month – Councilman Terrance Tindal went over this resolution briefly. Mr. Rembert made a motion to consider the month of October 2021 for Anti-Bullying and to pass the resolution for Anti-Bullying Month. Seconded by Mr. Tindal, all approved.
- b. Resolution making the month of October 2021 Breast Cancer Prevention Month – Councilman Terrance Tindal went over this resolution briefly. Mr. Rembert made a motion to pass the resolution for National Breast Cancer Awareness name in the month of October. Seconded by Mr. Way, all approved.
- c. Resolution making the month of October 2021 Fire Safety Prevention Month – Councilman Terrance Tindal went over this resolution briefly. Mr. Rembert made a

motion to pass the October resolution for Fire Safety Prevention. Seconded by Mr. Wells, all approved.

- d. USDA, Rural Development – Community Facility Grant Project Approvals (3 Projects) – Letter of Conditions / Grant Resolution Board Approval – Mrs. Amanda presented Council with the information of what has been discussed over the past few months on the 3 Projects on purchasing 3 trucks, a dump bed trailer, tractor with bucket and grapple, lawnmower and 2 police vehicles and equipment for the Water/Sewer department, Street Department and for the Police Department. Mayor Bagnal went over grant verbatim, stating that it was a formality, after reading over it then Council would vote to have the number of votes recorded on the USDA Grants. He further went over the conditions of the grant of how the funds would be awarded if the grants were to be approved. For the Water/Sewer Dept. USDA Grant which is for the purchasing of 2 trucks for the amount of \$36,600, with the Town's match of \$30,050 bringing the total of the grant amount to be \$66,650; there were 4 "ya" votes, 2 Council members (Mrs. Brown and Mr. Stukes) weren't present so their votes were not recorded. For the Street Dept. USDA Grant which is for the purchase of a truck, dump bed trailer, tractor w/bucket and grapple, and a lawnmower for the amount of \$50,000, with the Town's match of \$44,480 bringing the total of the grant amount to be \$94,480; there were 4 "ya" votes, 2 Council members (Mrs. Brown and Mr. Stukes) weren't present so their votes were not recorded. For the Police Dept. USDA Grant to purchase 2 police vehicles and equipment for the amount of \$43,500, with the Town's match of \$36,694 bringing the total grant amount to be \$79,194; there were 4 "ya" votes, 2 Council members (Mrs. Brown and Mr. Stukes) weren't present so their votes were not recorded.
- e. 1st Reading to Repeal Handbook Ordinance to make it a resolution – Mrs. Amanda Salka stated that she was in the process of updating Handbook and was informed that it needed to be a resolution instead of an ordinance. Mr. Rembert made a motion to consider this as the 1st Reading to Repeal the Handbook Ordinance and make it a resolution. Seconded by Mr. Tindal, all approved.

STAFF UPDATES –


- a. Police Dept. – Chief Perdue submitted a monthly report for Council to review and ask questions if they had any. Chief stated that a suspect has been incarcerated in regards to some of the recent break-ins.
- b. Public Works Dept. – Public Works Director Jay Kates went over his report from Sept. 1 – Sept 30. All sampling have come back clean. Gin Pond was having some

issues which caused a Boil Water Notice to be put in effect. It is hoped to be lifted by tomorrow. Other than that all sampling for Town of Summerton, North Shore and other areas came up clean. We have completed about 95% of the list that was given from DHEC under Consent Order. He went over the Proposed Consent Order that was recently received. Spoke to Council about submitting a letterhead asking for extension and ask for quarterly payments. He spoke about several other matters including the sprayfield at Goat Island, KOA Campground, Moses Dingle Pump Station, North Shore Lead/Copper testing and North Shore Water Quality testing. He also spoke briefly about Goat Island Waste Water Treatment Plant and the Johnny Scott Well, located behind the Summerton Drug Store.

- c. Mayor Bagnal updated Council on Duckfest, mentioning that it was a great turn out and went very well. He thanked Town Staff on all the hard work on the USDA grants. He, Mrs. Salka and Mr. Kates met with Senator Johnson to tour the town and surrounding area. They gave him some proposals of what is going on and what would like to see happen within Summerton. He also informed Council that information discussed in executive session is being “leaked out” to the public and it needs to be stopped. An anonymous letter was sent to a staff member about what went on in executive session and that everybody needs to be held accountable.

ADJOURNMENT – Mr. Rembert made a motion for the meeting to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Wells, all approved. Meeting ended at 6:45PM.

Respectfully Submitted,


Frances Feagin
Deputy Town Clerk

