# Town of Triana Regular Council Meeting Wednesday, December 26, 2018 6:30p.m.

The mayor called the meeting to order. Roll call by the clerk, Council members: George Ragland, Casey Whitman, Marvelene Freeman, Zach Atchley and Mayor Mary Caudle.

Council member Betty Haynes was absent. Members present constituted a quorum.

Legal counsel Calleb Ballew and the clerk Sharron Humphrey were also present.

Approval of minutes: Council member Whitman made the motion to approve the minutes dated December 10, 2018. Council member Atchley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Caudle' Report: Interview with police applicant went great; we have tentatively offered him the position. We are waiting on his paperwork, have received background check. He will get with the clerk on next week to do paperwork and his estimated start date will be around Jan 14<sup>th</sup>. His name is Jared Anderson.

Council member Ragland made the motion to go into executive session. Councilmember Atchley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council member Freeman made the motion to return to the regular order of business. Councilmember Whitman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Fire & Police: Chairperson Atchley reported the Police traveled 1,010 miles, made 12 traffic stops, 13 warning citations, 2 citations, 22 calls for service, made 1 arrest and 8 reports.

Finance: No Report

**Utilities: No Report** 

Councilmember Whitman stated with the winter months coming up and the potential for freezing made the suggestion of giving the mayor the authorization to suspend shutoffs if the temperatures are below freezing in order to save customers pipes from freezing water. Discussion

Councilmember Freeman stated we may get in trouble for being lenient.

Mayor stated our Ordinance allows for the customer to make arrangement if they can't pay their bill. She stated if a customer gets into a situation they need to be the ones to initiate the arrangement. We will follow the Ordinance and stay within our guidelines.

Freeman asked had we hired anyone to out to read meters.

Mayor stated the two people she interviewed their background check did not work out. Town has Wayman, Kermit, George and Brendaria helping in Water Dept.

Park & Recreation: No Report

Streets & Cemetery: Chairperson Whitman stated last week he talked about getting in touch with HSV Traffic engineering Dept. Spoke with one of their traffic engineers that deals primarily with speed mitigations. She informed him that they have an open bid contract with Traffic Logic and they are able to get the products a lot cheaper than what we were quoted. He was told that we can buy through their contract the speed cushions at \$700 each, lowest bid we've gotten. She plans to get with him on next week or week after to meet out in Savannah to look and give an idea of what it will cost for them to do it, her recommendation is to install three speed cushions. He plans to hopefully have more complete by next meeting. Suggest we work out a joint agreement.

## Resolution, Ordinances, orders:

Mr. Whitman reported the Planning and Zoning Commission had a public hearing and another meeting they had a lot of feedback received back regarding mobile homes they took that feedback to their last meeting and the majority voted to keep in place the 2018 Ordinance and modified the R-1 for to allow up to two structures provided there's enough land. They are looking at finalizing the Ordinance at their next meeting on Monday and providing it to the council to vote on or amend as they see fit at first meeting in January. He did find the old zoning map and posted it over in Town Hall.

Council member Whitman made the motion to consider Ordinance 2018-11, to accept Towne Lakes Subdivision into the Towne of Triana. Council member Ragland seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council member Whitman made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-11. Council member Ragland seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council member Whitman made the motion to consider 2018-12, modification of the business license fee to include moving and storage businesses. Council member Ragland seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council member Whitman made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-12. Motion carried.

Council member Freeman made the motion to approve Resolution 2018-09, pertaining to Town of Triana employee pay raises. Council member Ragland seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### Other Business:

Council member Freeman stated she would like to see the council set up a meeting with the developers that would like to locate here in Triana even though we know what we have on the books.

Mr. Whitman stated his only concern is that they have a planning and zoning that's in place and typically with municipalities that would come through them first.

Freeman stated the planning committee does not approve anything.

Whitman stated they do approve subdivision regulations under state law what they do not approve is zoning ordinances.

Freeman asked if he was saying that the city official's don't have anything to do with planning He stated with subdivision regulations under state law are approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission, they provide recommendations to the Zoning Ordinance but it's up to the Town Council to approve it.

# Discussion

Mayor stated both members were right, the council approves the standards then it comes back to the planning and zoning commission then going forward that's what would be approved. Freeman stated if the officials do not see the need to.

Mayor stated the council has to tell the Zoning Board what they want, they can give input. Whitman stated the planning and zoning board should listen to what the council wants.

Council member Ragland made a motion to give the three full time employees a one-time pay increase of \$300.00. Council member Freeman seconded the motion. Roll call vote, Whitmanyes, Ragland-yes, Atchley-yes, Freeman-yes and Caudle-yes. Motion carried.

Moved and properly seconded to adjourn.
Date approved
Sharron Humphrey, Town Clerk-Treasurer
Mayor or Chair Pro Tem