

Town of Triana
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, September 14, 2020
6:30p.m.

The Mayor called the meeting to order. Rollcall, Council Member Casey Whitman, Council Member Levoneia Ayers, Council Member George Ragland, Council Member Marvelene Freeman, Council Member Zach Atchley and Mayor Mary Caudle. Members present constituted a quorum.

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

Motion by Whitman to approve the minutes dated August 24, 2020, Ayers seconded the motion carried.

Motion by Whitman to approve the Special Meeting Canvassing the Municipal Election held on Tuesday, September 1, 2020, Ayers second the motion. Roll call vote, Whitman-yes, Ayers-yes, Ragland-yes, Freeman-no, Atchley-abstain and Caudle-yes. Unanimous consent, motion carried.

Officer Mark Zivat was sworn in by Attorney Caleb Ballew. Mayor Caudle welcomed Officer Zivat to the Town.

Mayor Caudle's Report: Process of submitting the LETS/JAG Grant in the amount of \$23,000 for the Police Dept. This will include lap top, printer, 2difibrators, handhelds, vest and radios. The deadline to submit is at the end of the week. The Grant is 100%, requires no match with a quick turnaround, 30-day closeout.

Did the last walk thru in the Gym; Contractor is running Ads as required. Bleachers have been ordered for gym. Scoreboard has been ordered, new backboards and plaque for wall have also been ordered. We will have a grand opening once we get everything in. We will look at hiring a part-time recreation person to get gym in use for kids after school and during the school breaks.

The Town is working with Huntsville Utilities on finding another access point, getting the water opened up as much as possible. They're working to determine where that is. There will be a onetime charge of \$75,000.00

Councilman Ragland suggested we get the developers to pay \$25,000 each.

Councilman Whitman suggested maybe putting restrictions on system.

Motion by Whitman for the Mayor to continue working with Huntsville Utilities on finding an access point and to talk with the developers and ask them if they will contribute to the cost, Ragland second the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Caudle stated once the place is determined they will put the access point in right away.

Both Tahoe's will have the equipment installed next week one at a time.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Fire and Police: Chairperson Atchley reported Police Officers traveled 3,538 miles, made 41 Traffic Stops, 33 Warning Citations, 14 Citations, 54 Call for service, 0 Arrests and 7 Reports. Also, there are 2 training classes coming up for officers to get training.

Motion by Atchley to have our two officers attend 3 training classes, Freeman second the motion.

Motion carried.

Fire Dept., received notice that our ISO rating will remain the same a 6. They answered 4 medical calls and 7 alarms.

Motion by Atchley to purchase 30 locks for the fire hydrants, Whitman seconded the motion. Motion

Carried.

Utility: Chairperson Ragland reported leak on Ervin Lane has been repaired.

Park & Recreation: Chairperson Freeman reported she has a concern that when she rides thru the neighborhoods and sees that there is nothing for our children to do. She stated town needs to have a program for them, she suggested having a work session to discuss and present some things for our children and seniors to do.

Councilman Whitman suggested council also discuss activities for Halloween.

Discussion on Triana Clinic Renovation project, Mrs. Williams stated the Historical society needs \$10,000 out of the 30,000 listed to finish up the electrical, plumbing and flooring in the clinic building (see attached sheet).

Councilmember Freeman asked Attorney Ballew if council could proceed with giving the Historical Society the funds, they need to continue work on the clinic building without going out on bids.

Attorney Caleb Ballew stated he needs to further look into the matter to determine how to answer the question.

Motion by Freeman authorizing the Mayor to work with the attorney to release funding in the amount of \$10,000 without having to bid the project out, Ragland seconded the motion. Roll call vote, Whitman-no, Ayers-yes, Ragland-yes, Freeman-yes, Atchley-no and Caudle-yes. Motion carried.

Councilman Freeman asked who gave contractors working on Murphy Lane permission to close street.

Mayor stated they have not given anyone permission to close any street off she plans to research it.

Councilman Whitman stated the street going away may have been part of subdivision.

Mayor stated there are proper channels to close streets she will follow up.

Councilman Whitman asked if town could get the ground on the football field near end goal post cleared out more.

Mayor Caudle stated Mr. Haywood stated they would do it themselves.

Streets and Cemetery: Chairperson Whitman reported he received a quote from Trav-Ad Signs on the signage for Cemetery. It will cost \$ 1700 to install post. The sign will be 4ft x 4ft.

Motion by Whitman to purchase the sign from Trav-Ad Signs in the amount of \$1,793.56 this will come out of the General Fund, Ayers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Sprayed for mosquitos on Saturday.

Approved to have street lights installed in phases, Monique, Fearn and Organ Drive.

Finance: Chairperson Ayers presented the Bank Statement ending August 31, 2020, Motion by Ayers to approve the Bank Statement as presented, Ragland seconded the motion. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS AND OTHER BUSINESS:

Motion by Freeman to approve Resolution 2020-07 an Alabama Recycling Grant award in the amount \$11,311.00 on behalf of the Town of Triana to purchase 95-galon carts to serve single-family units in the Town of Triana a program adopted by ADEM, Atchley Seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Application for Liquor Retail License transfer to another brother's name.

Work session scheduled for September 28th at 5:30pm, application will be discussed then.

Councilman Whitman stated the land we're leasing to The Underground for parking is being used to burn trash on he asked what is being done to let them know they're not authorize to burn on town property.

Mayor Caudle stated Chief has spoken with them if that doesn't work we will send them a letter.

Public Comments: Patsy Parvin reported a water leak on Advent Dr., near her house and she stated there needs to be two speed limit signs on Advent. She suggested since the area near the stop sign at the Adventist church does not have much traffic to move that one to the other side of the road.

Roy Seay stated once the curve on Landess Cir., is widened and if there's anything left to put it on the side to make street wider.

Tiffany Smith stated there's not a lot for kids to do here in Triana and that she has started a Girl Scout Troup. She has asked the librarian about using the back patio on the 3rd Wednesday of the month from 6pm - 7pm. The librarian stated to her that it was okay. During bad weather they will use inside of the building.

Mayor Caudle stated the Town has to approve any afterhours activities held on town property. She asked Ms. Smith to come by the office to fill out a facility request form to give dates and times when facility will be used.

Ms. Smith reported there's poison ivy growing on the trees on the football field.
Mayor Caudle stated she will have workers to look at trees.

Betty Williams stated Historical Society is interest in putting a Veterans park on town property they plan to have a wall built around the flag. The 16 x 20 area will cost around \$5,000.

Moved and properly seconded to adjourn.

Date approved: Sept. 28. 2020

Sharon Humphrey
Sharon Humphrey, Town Clerk-Treasurer

Mayor Caudle
Mayor or Chair Pro Tem