Minutes

Town of Marshall Board of Aldermen Called Meeting July 12, 2016

Aldermen in attendance were Thomas Jablonski, Billie Jean Haynie, Christiaan Ramsey, Luther Nix and Aileen Payne Mayor Jack Wallin participated via phone Town Clerk, Karen Kiehna

5:33 pm the meeting was called to order

Agenda Item #1: USDA -RDBG Wastewater Treatment Plant project

Ms. Kiehna presented the scoring for the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Engineering Services to complete the work at the WWTP. The Request for Qualifications was advertised in the Asheville Citizen-Times which is the regional newspaper where engineering firms look for advertisements for RFQs. Mayor Wallin stated that the review committee recommended McGill Associates to be selected as the engineering firm to oversee the project. Mayor Wallin and Alderman Jablonski stated they based their recommendations on knowledge of the project, the firm's close proximity to the project and the firm's historical knowledge of the wastewater treatment plant.

Motion to approve McGill Associates as the engineering firm to oversee the USDA-RDBG Wastewater Treatment Plant project. Christiann Ramsey – made the motion, Luther Nix, Seconded the motion.

Vote: 4 YES, 1 NO (Aileen Payne)

Agenda Item #2: Officers Appreciation Event

The Board also discussed having an Officers Appreciation event from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm on August 15th prior to the regular Board of Aldermen Meeting that will start at 6:00pm.

Billie Jean Haynie made the motion to authorize the Town Administrator to coordinate the event. The motion was seconded by Thomas Jablonski and approved 5 Yes, 0 No

Motion to Adjourn: Billie Jean Haynie, Second Thomas Jablonski, Approved 5 Yes, 0 No

Jack Wallin, Mayor

Karen Kiehna, Town Clerk

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Town of Marshall Board of Alderman Regular Meeting July 18th, 2016

Mayor Wallin called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence and especially remember the people effected by the recent police attacks. Alderman in attendance were Thomas Jablonski, Billie Jean Haynie, Christiaan Ramsey, Luther Nix and Aileen Payne, Mayor Jack Wallin, Town Clerk Karen Kiehna, and Town Attorney Larry Leake.

Item 1

Mayor Wallin opened the regular meeting. Alderman Ramsey made a motion to approve the agenda with an additional item added as 4A - discuss planning a Law Enforcement Appreciation Event. Alderman Haynie seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Item 2

Alderman Payne made a motion to approve the June 27th, 2016 and July 12th, 2016 minutes. Alderman Nix seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Item 3

Karen presented the Water Reports for the month of June. Several major leaks have been found and repaired. NC Rural Water will be coming on Thursday to help locate leaks.

Item 4

Jamey Smith (new owner of The Junk Shop) spoke on behalf of the Downtown Business Association. Jamey thanked the Town for their involvement with the 100th anniversary of the 1916 Flood. He also asked that the Town consider permanent flood markers to be placed on the buildings. Alderman Haynie also praised everyone involved with the program and events that had taken place to commemorate the flood. She suggested permanent markers for the 1902, 1916, and 1940

Item 4A

The Board of Alderman members discussed wanting to have a Law Enforcement Appreciation Event. A committee consisting of Billie Jean Haynie, Christiaan Ramsey, Thomas Jablonski, Rev. Melissa Upchurch, Rev. Buddy Freeman, Georgette Shelton, and Jamey Smith will meet to plan the details of the events. Certificates of Appreciation will be given to the Police Officers.

Item 5

Karen updated the Board on the Tax Collection rate and Water and Sewer Collection rates.

Karen updated the Board on the Water-Infrastructure Project update. The Engineering firm is finalizing their part of the project plan and has to be completed by September. Then the report is sent to the State for approval. Bidding for the project will start in March 2017.

Karen updated the Wastewater Treatment Plant Project. The Engineering firm has been selected and the project should be started by September, 2016.

Karen updated the Board on the ARC Emerging Opportunities project. The sidewalk replacement project for various places in Marshall has been started and should be finished by the end of the week. The bicycle corral was delivered last week and was damaged so it has been sent back to the company. Karen updated the Board on the Buchi Tea Grant/Loan project.

Report from Boards

Board of Adjustments - No meeting

Planning Board - No meeting

Parks and Recreation – Karen updated the Board on the pocket park project. Karen is working on the park design layout and will be presenting the layout to the Board soon.

Department Reports

Fire Department –Reported a total of 10 calls for the month of June and used 12,000 gallons of water for training. 8,000 gallons for truck maintenance and testing and 4,000 gallons for training on repaired unit.

Police Department - Chief Boone gave the Board the police report from June 27 thru July 17th.

Water Department – Report in packet

Maintenance Department – Report in packet

Zoning Department – The Town has had 5 or 6 zoning request in the last month. The Sprinkle and Shelton project is moving forward with water and sewer being hooked up to the property and renovations to the outside and inside.

Finance Department - Report in packet

Public Comment- Someone in the audience suggested the Town recognize Alfie Booth in some way for all his hard work on the plants and flowers in downtown Marshall. The Board discussed having another Alfie Booth day to recognize Alfie in September.

Josh Copus and his wife Emily introduced themselves as new residents to the Town and Josh is one of the new owners of the jail property.

Alderman Nix made a motion to move into closed session. Alderman Ramsey seconded the motion. Motion approved and meeting moved into closed session.

Alderman Nix made a motion to move back into open session. Alderman Haynie seconded the motion. Motion approved and meeting moved back into open session.

Alderman Nix made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Ramsey seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Jack Wallin, Mayor

Karen Kiehna, Town Clerk