

Minutes of Greenville Town Council Meeting September 10th, 2018

President Greg Redden called the regular monthly meeting to order. Other Councilpersons present were Andy Lemon, David Gomes, Keith Johnson, and Darryl Kepley along with Clerk Jack Travillian. Also attending the meeting were Greenville Water Superintendent Audi Findley, Police Chief Justin Craig, Town Attorney Heather Peters, and several concerned citizens. The meeting was opened with a prayer from President Redden followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: The minutes for August 13th regular meeting were discussed. Motion was made by Councilman Lemon and seconded by Councilman Johnson to accept the minutes. Motion passed 5-0.

Law Enforcement Report:

Chief Craig reported average activity for the month. Chief Craig reported that the Floyd County Council approve using up to \$60,000 from the E911 fund to update all radios and camera equipment for the police vehicles. This was arranged by Councilman Gomes and has already begun, the bills will be sent to and paid directly by the Floyd County Auditor's office.

Financial:

Review/Approval Checks and Expenditures: Clerk Travillian presented the forms for the checks written from the utilities and the town.

Clerk Travillian presented bank reconciling for July 2018, motion was made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Kepley to accept the forms as presented. Motion passed 5-0.

Ordinance 2018-TO-031 ORDINANCE CONCERNING 2019 BUDGET.

First reading was completed, motion made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Kepley. Motion passed 5-0.

Committee Reports:

President Redden:

The building permits process is in need of reforms, the individual who has been issuing permits (Randal Johnes) has resigned, effective immediately. The council will be issuing permits until a replacement can be hired or the process is updated.

Streets and Roads:

Storm grates repairs in Heritage Springs, the council was updated with the cost now ranging between \$2,400 up to \$3,200. There have been 6 documented complaints about construction debris (nails) in the Heritage Springs neighborhood. Developer Donnie Thieneman was present at the meeting, saying he was unaware of this issue and promised that a street cleaner will now go through the construction area every Friday between 12 PM and 4 PM.

Property Cleanup:

Property in the 9400 block of Harrison Street with very tall grass.

The Dollar General store has several complaints, tall grass in rear of property, the dumpsters are overfull. They have been given a citation by Chief Craig. Attorney Peters will contact the Floyd County Health Department with possible rodent issues resulting from the trash complaint.

Corner of Voyles Road and Highway 150 property has removed abandon vehicles, however there are still concerns over trash and other problems at the site. Also, the water utility is working on the issue of tampering with their equipment and outstanding utility bills.

Attorney Peters requested that any ordinance with fines be registered with the Floyd County Clerk's office, Clerk Travillian will review. Also the town's rate for payment for tickets issued by Greenville Police Department needs to be reviewed between Peters and a councilman.

The controlled burn site on Harrison Street still has not been cleaned up and there must be a followed up conversation with the owner.

The Reach Alert system contract has been signed and is in place, however every customer from Greenville must go to the website <https://visitgreenvillein.com/subscribe.html> and signup for this new service.

Special Projects:

Councilman Lemon has been working on a possible \$3,200 grant from Horseshoe Casino to have an approved historic marker dedicated to John B Ford. There will be a fund raiser held at Couvert in Galena on September 28, 2018, with a portion of the sales helping the Greenville Historic Preservation Commission

Community Crossing Grant:

Tim Hunt from HWC updated the council via email that the grant had been applied for but due to changes in cost estimates was removed and re-applied at the higher rates.

Open Speaker:

Candidate for Greenville Township Trustee Vickie Tencer along with candidates Ann McNally and Carol Norton running for Trustee Advisory Board gave brief statements about what they would like to accomplish in office, pledging to work to strengthen connection between their offices and the Town of Greenville.

A citizen registered a complaint about livestock coming onto her property from a neighbor's residence. There are ordinances in place and this be enforced by a citation if necessary.

Heritage Springs Subdivision

Developer Donnie Thieneman questioned Heritage Springs Section II streets being town owned or still under his authority. The council advised that the town had not taken possession yet. Thieneman formerly requested the town take possession of sections II and III streets. The council agreed to have their engineers (HWB) meet with his engineer and decide what actions need to be completed to take over possession.

Thieneman requested to vacate a walking path in Heritage Springs and presented plans showing the path was not in an area that could support it. The council requested the Home Owners Association be involved and will meet at the site and review his request at a later meeting.

Lot 169 acquisition:

Upon reviewing the bid offer from last month's meeting, Mr. Thieneman offered a compromise between his offering price and the council offer, \$32,500, and he will withdraw the attorney's fees pending. Motion was made by Councilman Lemon and seconded by Councilman Kepley. Motion passed 5-0. Water Superintendent noted that the concrete washout would need to be cleaned up from the site and Thieneman agreed.

Councilman Johnson left the meeting feeling poorly.

There are some issues with street lights due to tree growth at the intersection of Highway 150 and Maple Drive in Parkland Heights. The town will advise INDOT of the issue. Voyles Road still has issues with overgrowth of trees and bushes on the west side of the street, Floyd County Council President Brad Striegel was present at the meeting will discuss this with the Don Lopp.

Utility Business: Water Utility

Adjustments for August were presented, which were granted without objection.

Superintendent Audi Findley sent his monthly report to the council before the meeting and there were no questions. Superintendent Findley noted that the water loss for August had dropped drastically from 5 million gallons in July to 2.3 million gallons.

Superintendent Findley requested attending training sessions to keep his license current, the council confirmed the request 4-0.

Superintendent Findley requested increasing the security system for an additional \$6 per month, the council had no objections. The upgraded SCADA system will start installation tomorrow.

Sewage Utility:

The spray foam insulation has been completed. The access road had the extra asphalt removed that was installed onto the adjacent lot.

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Money Market Investment:

Councilman Lemon made a motion and Councilman Gomes seconded, to open a money market account at Commerce Bank as an investment account and transfer \$600,000 from the water operating fund. It will be paying 1.55%. Motion passed 4-0.

No further business coming before the Council, motion made by Councilman Kepley and seconded by Councilman Gomes to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 4-0.

Next Monthly Meeting to be held at 7:00 P.M. at 9706 Clark Street, on October 8th, 2018.

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