

**Town of Triana
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, March 25, 2019
6:30p.m.**

Meeting called to order by the Mayor. The clerk was asked to call the roll, Council members Casey Whitman, George Ragland, Zach Atchley, Marvelene Freeman and Mayor Mary Caudle. Members present constituted a quorum. Council member Betty Haynes was absent.

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

Motion by Whitman to approve the minutes of March 11, 2019 as presented, Atchley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Caudle's Report: We have received letter to purchase items from the Cop's Equipment Grant. We have until June to close it out. We have enough money to purchase three bullet proof vests but will hold off on purchasing two of them until we have filled the positions. Reason being is because the officers have to be fitted, hopefully we can do this by June. Grant for Gym, finally received final approval from the State to get started. We received our 2018 gold plat from Loss Prevention; we were below 5% incident. Our Municipal Prosecutor resigned, we did have court on last month. Freeman stated that maybe our attorney could assist us with someone.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Fire & Police: Chairperson Atchley reported the Police Officer traveled 1068 miles, made 31 Traffic stops, 23 Warning citations, 13 Citations, 11 calls for service, 0 Arrest and 1 Report. The Impala is out of the shop.

Fire Department made 5 Medical call's , 2 Fire calls and total miles traveled was 35, and one of their new recruits just passed their Emergency Care Provider course.

Finance: No Report

Utility: No Report

Park & Recreation: Chairperson Freeman stated school will be out soon and that we do need something for our children to do here in the community. Discussed hiring a female to work with the kids this summer. Work session scheduled for April 4th at 6:00p.m.

Streets & Cemetery: Chairperson Whitman reported he and the Mayor have been working on the list for repaving some of our streets.

Whitman replaced battery in the generator at Town Hall.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES AND OTHER BUSINESS:

Mayor stated Attorney prepared letters as requested and one of them have been mailed out. Attorney stated the letters asks the individuals to report to the Mayor or himself if they had any questions or concerns within 10 days. He stated would let her know if he hears from them.

Council member Ragland asked for an increase for the seasonal employee.

Mayor stated he is will get an increase at the start of grass cutting season.

Freeman asked if we could to have him come over to Ervin Lane to work where County left debris out in the street.

Ragland stated two people cannot do the work of the whole town they need some help.

Motion by Ragland to pay the contracted person \$12.00hrly beginning April 1st, Freeman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council member Freeman stated Council member Atchley was not at the work session to hear the presentation from the company Project XYZ on wanting to purchase land in the Industrial Park she would like for them to attend to come back to our work session on April 4th if it will fit into their schedule.

Freeman stated Project XYZ are still excited about coming to Triana even though they have put into their budget a little less amount for the land than we agreed upon. She stated they do have to provide funding for the building, for the landscaping and the parking lot. She stated at the work session they will need to do some heavy discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Alan Murphy stated he and his mother would like to have annexed into Triana 72-74 acres of land on beadle.

Mayor stated we are glad to hear that, she asked that he put into writing with all parties involved signing off on paper work. Then once that's done talk to an attorney.

Acru Caudle expressed concern over her high water bill; she stated it has been high for the last two months. She stated she's had it checked several times and no leaks. She would like to know where the water is going since nothing changed during the two months.

Mayor stated when our people come out we check for leaks on our sign of meter, we've done what's needed to be done on our side.

Ragland stated the water is going through the meter, he has checked it several times.

Ragland stated he will read meter again tomorrow and let her know his findings but that she will have to pay the bill.

CHAIR PRO TEMPORE FREEMAN PRESIDED OVER THE MEETING:

Kim Lewis stated they have warehouses in several States and they are trying to build a warehouse here in Triana. This will be a warehouse for storing products for one of their customers. It's a 100,000sq.ft building. The building will be used for storage.

Larry Lewis stated the project is moving really fast, the facility will look a lot like Prep Tech. They came out and looked around to see where the best place to put the facility. Still open to negotiation as to where exactly it will be. Previously talked about 6 acres instead of 10 but what they would like to do is sit down once a price has been agreed upon.

Freeman stated at the last council meeting the council approved \$27,400 per acre.

Mrs. Caudle stated when they were working on their budget they had budgeted the land for 20,000 an acre. That was one of the reasons they wanted to talk to the Council to see if they could negotiate the best deal amount for the land. Mr. Lewis stated once they know the exact amount of land will be then they can work their budget numbers and get back in front of the bank so they can get the process moving.

Ms. Lewis stated once they get the architectural drawing done they will come back and show exactly what the building will look like. They need to know that they have secured the land, because if they don't get the land here they've got to move they've got to put the building somewhere.

Freeman stated she would like for this to be a part of the work session.

Council member Whitman stated last meeting Betty Haynes gave her resignation letter effective end of April, he asked what's the process for getting someone to fill her seat. Mayor stated once she is out of that position we have up to 3 months to fill the position. She stated the way it was done last term it that anyone that was interested they let them present that they were interested and then if the council had anybody they wanted to nominate then they voted.

Council member Ragland stated he personally does not think the council will negotiate any amount less than the \$27,400.

Mayor stated she is just asking is there any way council can discuss it tonight.

Freeman asked Mrs. Lewis about how many employees will they hire.

Mrs. Caudle stated she does not know it will all depend on how much equipment is being stored.

Freeman stated Town will have to go with \$27,400.

Mrs. Lewis asked would \$25,000 be negotiable.

Council member Atchley made a motion to sale up to 10 acres of land to Project XYZ for \$25,000 per acre, Ragland seconded the motion. Roll call vote, Whitman-yes, Ragland-yes, Atchley-yes, Freeman-yes and Caudle-abstain. Motion carried.

Moved and properly seconded to adjourn.

Date approved _____

Sharron Humphrey, Town Clerk-Treasurer

Mayor or Chair Pro Temp