

Town of Triana Regular Council Meeting
Monday, September 23, 2019
6:30p.m.

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

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

Ragland made the motion to approve the Special Call Meeting minutes dated Sept. 17, 2019, Freeman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Freeman made the motion to approve the minutes of the regular council meeting dated Sept. 9, 2019, Atchley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Caudle's Report: Contract paper work on gym project came in today, in a week or so they should be ready to start on gym.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Fire & Police: Chairperson Atchley reported the Police Dept. traveled 1156 miles, made 11 traffic stops, 10 warning citations, and 1 citations, 17 calls for service, 0 arrests and 6 reports.

Fire Dept., 1 motor vehicle accident, 6 medical calls, had a fire fighter to pass the hazmat training. 45 miles on SUV and 14 miles on engine.

Freeman stated there is a ban on burning.

Mayor stated she and the chief talked this morning about the officer who has been missing work. We have other applicants interested in working full-time, she has asked chief to go ahead and call the persons in for interview. The Officer will be back at work on Wednesday we will go from there. Had a conference call with him he has assured us that he will.

Mayor reported she attended a fire department meeting for volunteer firemen. During this meeting they were looking at increasing fire department, she asked Attorney Caleb Ballew to research if council is in agreement with to look paying the firemen for the calls that they make. Trying to help them increase the volunteering here, we need to look at building it up.

Freeman stated that would be an incentive to work harder and we need to start thinking about a paid person if we keep growing the way we are.

Mayor stated she will get with our fire department to help with researching it.

Finance: No Report

Utility: Chairperson Ragland reported he and Sharron met with OES this morning received some training. He stated this is some serious training. He has started reading the master meter daily. Mr.

Ragland stated the town needs a maintenance worker we need to look at hiring help.

Mayor Caudle stated we have posted an advertisement for a non-certified water operator and Casey has posted it on social media.

Freeman asked if we were hiring a 24hr person.

Mayor stated that position would be an 8hr job a few occasions where we have had to go out turn on a service.

Freeman asked if who we have for the minor repairs, do we have the equipment.

Mayor stated Wayman and George have been repairing the small minor stuff anything major Madison Utilities is called out. She asked if anyone know anyone qualified to do the work to please send them her way.

Discussion on hiring qualified full-time worker(s) in the water department.

Ragland stated he will read the master meter and the chlorine sampling for the month of October.

Park & Recreation: Chairperson Freeman reported we're getting ready for the festival on October 19, if anyone has anything they would like to contribute to let Ms. Williams of the Historical Society know. Also, we discussed repairs to be done in the Mayor's office and the bathrooms. She has spoken with one of our residents and asked him to give us a price on what he would charge. She asked if anyone has a problem with Leon Grays giving us a price on it at our next meeting.

Mayor stated she does not.

Asked everyone to participate in the Oct 19th preview of the Clinic building, she asked the council to be thinking of a name that building.

Ragland suggested Dr. Drake and Nurse Dent.

Ms. Freeman stated the building will be 90% complete everyone will get a chance to walk thru it.

Streets & Cemetery: Chairperson Whitman reported they got the signage back up in Savannah, thanked Wayman for doing that. Plans for some of the development that have been approved have started coming in need to finalize a list of street names for some of those subdivision if anyone has suggestion to get those down so council can approve them, then planning can hand them out to the developers. Mayor stated council does not have to approve names, she asked if there were other names to give them to Casey.

Whitman also reported: engineers will submit plans to the Planning and Zoning Board soon, they have decreased the number of lots from 259 to 227, and street layout is the same as what said before.

Received the 1st phase, tentative name was Murphy Hill now it will be called Southern Landing. They have not heard anything on the one off Landess Cir.

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders and Other Business:

Freeman made the motion to approve Resolution 2019-04, a Resolution levying of 12 Mills of Ad Valorem Tax for public educational purposes on all taxable property located in the Town of Triana, and to certify the same to the taxing authorizes of Madison County, Ayers seconded the motion. Roll call vote, Whitman-yes, Ragland-yes, Ayers-yes, Freeman-yes, Atchley-yes and Caudle-yes. Unanimous consent, motion carried.

Ragland had a question about the upcoming budget.

Mayor stated it is to go into effect Oct. 1 she plans to resend copies of the budget to be approved at next meeting.

Public Comments: Roy Seay stated he heard Mr. Ragland state he will volunteer for 1 month, after volunteering for that 1 month he should know if the job will take 1 or 2 people.

Mr. Seay commented on the possibility of town paying the firemen, they have met with County to discuss that.

Moved and properly seconded to adjourn.

Date approved _____
