

Town of Triana Regular Council Meeting
Monday, July 22, 2024
6:30PM

The meeting was called to order by the mayor. The clerk was asked to call the roll.

Councilmember George Ragland – Present
Councilmember Casey Whitman-Present
Councilmember Levoneia Ayers-Present
Councilmember Erica Hopkins-Present
Councilmember Jason Garstka-Absent
Mayor Mary Caudle – Present

Members present constitutes a quorum.

Attorney Caleb Ballew was present via zoom and the clerk Sharron Humphrey was present.

Motion by Councilmember Whitman to approve the minutes dated July 8, 2024, Councilmember Ayers second the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Caudle's Report: See Other Reports

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Fire & Police: Chairperson Ragland reported Fire Dept for the last two weeks received 10 calls, 8 medical calls, 1 fire alarm and 1 service call. They have responded to 201 calls for this year, looking to receive 400 calls by the end of the year.

Police Officers traveled 2,718.8 miles, issued 25 traffic stops, 20 warning citations, 12 traffic citations, received 51 calls for service, made 2 arrests, and 11 reports.

Mayor Caudle stated council should have a memo request from the Police Chief. She stated the town has new service weapons, the old weapon for Michael Walker is still here. She stated other cities give their officers their weapons when they retire, don't have anything in place that states that. We would need to pass a resolution or create a policy for that.

The Chief is asking that we look at possibly retiring the gun and giving it to Mr. Walker. Mayor Caudle stated no one is assigned to the weapon and we're not using it at this time. She's not asking for a vote tonight, will have to let our Attorney look into it first.

Councilmember Hopkins asked, did Chief Walker requested the gun. Mayor Caudle stated yes, he did send in a request when he first retired. It was stated to him that the weapon would be assigned to someone else based on our funds at that time.

Finance: Chairperson Hopkins presented the Bank Reconciliation Statement ending June 30, 2024. Motion by Councilmember Hopkins to approve the Town of Triana Bank Reconciliation Statement date June 30, 2024. Councilmember Ragland second the motion. Motion carried.

Councilmember Hopkins stated she would like to have a meeting with the Finance Committee to prepare for the 2025 budget.

Work session scheduled for Mon, July 29th at 5:30 to discuss Code Enforcement, Finance Committee meeting to follow.

Councilmember Whitman presented a request for \$95.12 reimbursement for purchasing hats for the City Council, Fire Dept and Code Enforcement Officer.

Utilities: Chairperson Whitman reported that the water will be shut off for the whole town tomorrow night from 9:00PM-5:00AM due to a repair on 6th Street, MU will be tying water line the new Fire Station. He stated word has gone out through various ways to the public.

Mayor Caudle reported she has asked EOS Utility to do a quick study on the sewer lines from 6th street going out, she stated this will help when applying for grants when they become available.

Councilmember Ragland asked about the park grant. Mayor stated we have not heard anything from the grant yet.

Councilman Whitman reported he is working with the Fire Chief on giving him the data for fire hydrants and locations and getting data from the County figuring out where they're at on both the towns map and the County.

Parks & Recreation: Chairperson Ayers reported that the Triana Warriors cheer and football is up and running. They are still looking for more participants. They also have an on-line store.

The Friends of the Library as well as Kim and Diana sent a thank you to everyone that participated with them during this month with all the different activities they had going. They will be having a Back-To-School Bash this Saturday, July 27th from 12:00noon-2:00pm. They will have food, fun and games, everyone is invited.

Councilmember Hopkins stated Ms. Ayers had sent an email with some grant opportunities, she is asking what she has in mind. Mayor stated this can be discussed during the Finance meeting.

Streets & Cemetery: No Report

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS AND OTHER BUSINESS:

Public Comments:

Larry Harris asked did we get the mosquito sprayer going if so, has the town been spraying. Mayor Caudle replied yes, we need to do another round of spraying. She stated it took about 4hrs to do the whole city.

Mr. Harris asked about a survey that was being done over the weekend. Mayor Caudle stated EOS was out doing the line survey as required by ADEM. She stated every line in the system must be reported.

Madge Griffin asked council did the mud on Landess Cir get cleaned up today. She stated it was reported this morning. Ms. Griffin also stated she noticed a large truck enroute to the Huntsville treatment plant swerve off the road bringing mud onto the street. She stated she does not know who moved the rocks from the side of the road but that right now it's just mud. She stated the drainage pipes that were in the ditch are now gone, that something needs to be done about that.

Mayor stated she will call down to the Huntsville Plant and ask them to clean the mud from off the street, she will also reach out to the County.

Councilmember Ragland reported contractors working on Foster's Estate are messing up the road on Lakeside Drive with mud.

Mayor stated she will make a call to the developer.

Patsy Parvin reported that the hole on Advent Dr. has gotten larger. She stated cars have to stop to let other cars pass.

Mayor Caudle stated she has called Commission Haraway.

Madge Griffin asked the Council if they could consider posting a flashing light on Wall Triana Highway, she stated you can't see those trucks coming out.

Mayor Caudle stated council had been discussing placing a flashing light onto Landess Cir they will now have to discuss a 2nd flashing light for Wall Triana.

Moved and properly seconded to adjourn.

Date Approved Aug. 13, 2024

Sharon Humphrey
Sharon Humphrey, Town Clerk-Treasurer

May Caudle
Mayor for Chair Pro Tempore