

**Town of Triana**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
**Monday, November 25, 2019**  
**6:30pm**

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

Motion by Freeman to approve the minutes dated November 12, 2019 with corrections, Whitman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Mayor Caudle's Report:** The Energy Efficient Grant we received for lights in gym requires training, the grant training will be held on Dec 12<sup>th</sup> in Montgomery. We received the Notice of Award for Premier Structures Contractor; we will need to do the final signing. Our Attorney has to sign the Certificate of ownership and we plan to get it sent by tomorrow.

Triana in conjunction with other Municipalities in Madison County did a small Recycling Grant. The grant award is in the amount of 11,311.00, grant period begins Oct 1, 2019 thru Sept 2020.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**Fire & Police:** Chairperson Atchley reported Police Dept., traveled 947 miles, 14 traffic stops, 13 warning citations, 2 citations, 5 calls for service, 0 arrests and 0 reports.

Fire Dept. made four medical calls and 1 fire call.

Fire hydrant has been installed on Ervin & Carr Lane.

Mayor stated the County assisted with having fire hydrant put in we should be receiving a bill on that.

Freeman reported water was off for two days, she stated it would help if we know when they will be working on the water then we can notify the residents.

Mayor stated we need to do a better job.

Freeman reported they are still having 18-Wheelers to travel thru Ervin Lane, GPS sending them the wrong way.

Chief Powell reported that there are different restrictions a truck and car GPS.

Whitman stated he will look at getting custom signs made to help with that.

**Utilities:** Chairperson Ragland reported lights were out at the lift station in the Bingo parking lot. Madison Utilities has been notified of this.

Ragland also reported we had a customer to complain about late notice bills arriving late in the mail.

Mayor stated they will need to contact the postal service because we have no control over the mail.

**Park & Recreation:** Chairperson Freeman reported children will be out of school on Christmas break can they use gym if so she would like to supervise them.  
Mayor stated it should be okay she believes construction will begin sometime in January.

**Streets & Cemetery:** Chairperson Whitman reported putting up new signage on Oregon & Lakeside Dr. also replaced other signage as needed.

**Finance:** Mayor reported they had a work session to discuss the payroll portion of the budget on today.

Council member Ragland expressed concern at how the pay raise increase was given to the full-time and part-time admin and maintenance employees. Mayor stated they weren't looking at individual time hired they were looking at wages in those position. They were looking at maintenance and what it would take to bring on other employees to the level of regular maintenance workers. One position didn't have anything to do with the other it was position it was strictly based on that. They gave more of an increase than the normal increase of 3%. The biggest increase was in the Maintenance Department.

Ragland asked for another work session with the Finance Chairperson being present.

Mayor stated they were looking at positions not the individuals.

Ragland made a motion to table decision on budget until next meeting.

Motion did not pass for lack of second.

Motion by Freeman to approve the proposed increase for all employees and for all employees to come making it retroactive to Oct. 1, Whitman seconded the motion. Roll call vote, Whitman-yes, Ragland-no, Atchley-yes, Freeman-yes and Caudle-yes. Motion carried.

#### **Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders and Other Business:**

Whitman chairperson of Planning & Zoning reported the following: DSLD Homes presented them with initial construction plat for the subdivision down on Wall Triana off Landess. Held a public hearing on the rezoning on the property at Record & Stone Street. The property owners requested to have it rezoned from R-3 subdivision to R-2 Apartments. They are looking to put in Duplex Apartments those plans will be placed on the planning and zoning agenda at the December meeting. He stated Ms. Ayers and Mrs. Freeman were in attendance at that meeting they got to hear the feedback from the public.

He has been keeping up with the number of building permits; we have sold 165 building permits this year as of the 12<sup>th</sup> of November. This works out to an average of 1 new home permit sold every other day.

Mayor asked council to take a look at what town is paying the building inspector and to think about bringing him on full-time she thinks bringing him on as a salary worker would work out better. She has discussed with him the possibility of coming on full-time.

Freeman asked what his response was.

He is interested in coming on full-time he knows we will be building for the next several years.

Whitman reported he has recorded 130 occupancy permits from the middle of March thru November.

Mayor thanked Whitman for putting the permits in electronic form.

Whitman stated Huntsville Code Enforcement falls under the Building Permit Dept.

Mayor state his title and position will include more.

**Public Comments:** None

Moved and properly seconded to adjourn.

**Date Approved** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Sharron Humphrey, Town Clerk-Treasurer**

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**Mayor or Chair Pro Tem**