Town of Hamilton Monthly Board Meeting

New Hamilton Town Hall

October 6th, 2022 @ 7:00pm

Present: Mayor Williams Commissioners: Jackson, Spivey, Stewart, Goodrich and Freeman

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Williams at 7:04PM. The prayer was offered by Commissioner Stewart and pledge was recited by all.

Review Old Business & Approve Minutes

Mayor Williams requested more information upon review if Mike was still going to be able to paint the mural. At this time we don't have the information about the supplies needed by Commissioner Goodrich. Commissioner Goodrich Kleenex tissues are needed for South Creek, Spiral notebooks, and a folder with pockets with three holes. signs up to bring donations to town hall. Information and requests will be added to the newsletter. Dropbox will be at town hall and the time frame was October to November. Public Power week mentioned by Commissioner Freeman states it will be October 11th at 3:00PM -5:00PM. One Call will go out to inform the residents of this event. Porta jon at current maintenance building at this time is needed at current location, However Mike Pickle states this winter he will try to install a toilet and sink in the shop. Inspection at Morris Lynch Center suggested to have the floors measured and get quotes on updating the floors. Tremastats replacement might need a election to install the new tremastats. Letter has not been sent to the Hardware store, However, a meeting will take place with Commissioner Stewart and Commissioner Freeman. Both commissioners will agree to the meeting about the current situation. Motion to approve the minutes from last meeting by Commissioner Stewart, Seconded by Commissioner Spivey, Motion carried 5-0.

Golf cart ordinance reviewed from surrounding town Oak City. Commissioners reviewed the documents from Oak City and questioned the lights on the golf carts. Commissioner Spivey states that besides the golf cart the town is having issues with dirt bikes and four wheelers as well. Commissioner Goodrich states that the current town employees collect the meter readings by golf cart at this time, who is responsible if something was to happen. Mayor Williams states that he will check with the insurance company to find out how and if the Town could be held liable if something were to happen.

Junk car ordinance requested to know how we would involve or who would be the code enforcement for this ordinance to take place. Commissioner Spivey states he would like to follow up with the Town of Williamston to see how they enforce this ordinance.

New Business

New Computer for office due to recent update with FMS our old computer will not allow or hold the update. We would need a new system, we voted on it last fiscal year and never purchased the equipment. Motion to approve the purchase of a new computer by Commissioner Freeman, seconded by Commissioner Goodrich, motion carried 5-0.

Financials/ Budget Amendments

Balanced budget to end out the fiscal year Motion to approve the proper budget amendments to end out fiscal year 2021-2022 by Commissioner Spivey, seconded by Commissioner Jackson, Motion carried. 5-0

Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Jackson states that he had the opportunity to speak with Mid-East about the grants that are circulating in our area.

Commissioner Stewart states that Kevin Richards has retired from Mid-East. She states she will remove all the particate items from the gazebo and place out the new fall items. Dementia Alliance Walk on Saturday October 8th 2022.

Commissioner Spivey makes a pump for the wastewater treatment plant, and states that the wrong propeller could have been placed into the pump. Suitable location for number one well. States he and Mike were in and out of the plant all hours of the night with over 300,000 gallons throughout the plant.

Commissioner Goodrich states that Mike is here in office and will give his report. EMS has put a lock onto the room where the breaker box is located at the old town hall. Town of Williamston has a sewer machine for sale. Requested to write a letter to the Town of Williamston to be placed on the waiting list to be the next in line to purchase the sewer machine. Letter needs to be put into the Town of Williamston to get us on that list, send it to the administration and Mayor. Letter of interest to be sent into the Town of Williamston to try to get on the waiting list. Requesting to put up a temporary wall to place the town's maps. Motion to get bids to put up a temporary wall to place at old town hall to put maps in a safe place by Commissioner Goodrich, Seconded by Commissioner Spivey, Motion carried 5-0.

Hamilton EMS must pay \$220.00 a month on the 3rd of each month due to the Town of Hamilton retro the payments back to begin in March 2022. The term of two years for the memorandum of understanding. Reviewed 180 days notice of termination by either party prior notice for any or no reason motion by Commissioner Spivey, seconded by Commissioner Stewart, Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Freeman states that he submitted information for the town information for Electricities grant. Commissioner Freeman states that he will have the floor finish removed to finish the painting of the three point line. Public Power Week October 11th 2022 at 3:00PM-5:00PM to be held at Town Hall. Youth Basketball camps and sign up coming up in November any questions contact William Freeman at 252-217-7376.

Mayor Williams 104 north south street and recent request to sell the property for at least the amount we spent on property. The advertising will be posted and run into the newspaper three times. Bids will go into and be submitted on the location that was recently cleared off. **Motion to move the sale of the property of 104 North South Street in Hamilton by commissioner Stewart, seconded by Commissioner Spivey, motion carried 5-0.**

Christmas parade tentative date will be December 8th at 4:00PM in the Town of Hamilton. Mayor Williams asked if the town would be interested in doing the Christmas Yard Decorations contest again. Ethics training \$72.00 plus tax Mid-East is offering through Zoom next week per Thersa Harris and Mid-East will cover the cost of the training. Once you complete the class you will receive your certificate via email or mail. Electricity grants revitalization to the downtown area, as well as Rural Development for grants. Several requests of letters of interest were needed however the county applied for the small towns as a whole.

The Maintenance Report given by the Maintenance supervisor states they are working on repairs for well house one and installation has been added. Well testing site to come, recent weak leaks in town have been repaired, transformer wires have been repaired where the tree grew through the lines. Recent storm came through and the clean up has already been done from what little damage was done. Water meters left over which are brand new and should be sold on govdeals. Fortiline came in this week to put in a new meter at Penco but had to take back out due to pressure. Chipper is not what is needed for the towns needs due to it will not cut up nor work for the amount of the wood picked up by the town. USDA home repair workshop will be held on October 20th 2022 at 5:30PM at the Morris Lynch Center. Send out information on One Call.

Allison gave her report on LGC received and reviewed and approved 2020-2021 audit, Meters updated in FMS with new serial numbers, Information about upcoming appointments.

Public Comment

Tony Blackey – 1-252-270-8100 did not show.

Patricia Mooring called on to review veterans park states that the area has been approved by the church and requested to begin selling off the bricks. Mayor Williams states that we are applying for grants with Pat Harris to revitilated the downtown area. Harris has the information that was discussed with Lee Padrick. Upcoming meetings with land owners clean up if someone has a vested interest they should not be a part of the meeting with land owners.

Maddie Randoolp requested to know when the work will begin on the Morris Lynch Center, due to upcoming elections and use age of the building. Compliments Mike and the maintenance crew on how great the town looks.

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Spivey, seconded by Stewart. Motion approved 5-0.