



Shirley Town Council Minutes
May 10, 2021

Open Council Meeting:

Call to Order:

David Messer – Council President, Becky Perkins – Council V President, Robin Rinehart – Council,

Others Present:

Teresa Hester – Clerk Treasurer, Nicole Alexander - Utilities, Brian Vaughn – Maintenance, Brian Pryor – Police Chief, Andy Ebbert – Fire Chief, Attorney – Tracy Newhouse

Minutes – Approve Minutes from April 12, 2021 council meeting. David Messer moved to approve Robin Boucher second. Motion carried 3-0.

Guests:

Kent Schuck – Presented Scope of Work to prepare the Sanitary Sewer Preventative Maintenance Plan for a cost of \$7500. Council took no action. Brian Vaughn maintenance person needs to review the scope of work.

Dennis Westrich – Requesting another adjustment (besides the one we just did) on the Octagon House due to a large amount of water loss. The first adjustment took over \$2000 off the bill. The bill was still over \$2000. Council decision was to not set a precedent due to others who have had high water bills and made payments.

Dennis Denney – Requesting closing of street and alleys that is connected to his property. David Messer stated he did not want to close Liberty street. Close one alley that goes through his garden. Attorney and clerk/treasurer are to work toward this. Owner needs to sign petition to sign for closing of alley.

Department Head Reports:

Utilities – Nicole Alexander

- Approve days off – May 14, 18, June 14 FMLA, and June 9, July 19-23 for vacation.

Fire – Andy Ebbert Fire Chief

- Ambulance agreement finalized, payout complete
- Request to rekey the fire station locks cost approximately \$200. David Messer moved to allow to rekey fire station. Becky Perkins second. Motion carried 3-0

Maintenance – Brian Vaughn

- Request to accept Fleis & Vandenbrink Engineering contract bid for Wasterwater quote for work is \$9,800. David Messer moved to accept, Robin Boucher second. Motion carried 3-0
- Request to purchase used meter and miscellaneous items from Dennis Denney for \$800. David Messer moved to approve, Becky Perkins second, Motion carried 3-0
- Approve Sanitary Sewer condensed permit requirements, to give to each customer doing work on wastewater line. David Messer moved to approve, Robin Boucher second, motion carried 3-0

Police – Brian Pryor Police Chief

- Request permission to return to Texas in June to teach a class for final stage of receiving K-9 Trainers Certification. Clerk Treasurer asked who would be covering expenses. David Messer moved to allow Becky Perkins second, motion carried 3-0. David Messer moved to allow the Town to pay for fuel for this trip. Becky Perkins second, motion carried 3-0
- Request for Charger repairs, approximately \$2300 in repairs. David moved to repair, second Becky Perkins, motion carried 3-0.

Town Clerk/Treasurer – Teresa Hester

- Financial Reports – shared concern for the water operating fund and the need to do a water study to in the near future.
- Accountability
- Comp Time: Brian 38 hours, Zach 30 hours

Old Business:

- Update on park annexation – nothing new
- Policies for Employee Handbook – Clerk Treasurer. Tabled for next meeting
- IDEM Update – need to talk with Brian Vaughn, Brian not at meeting.
- Update on Dr Tennent’s building that was burnt in late winter. Letter was sent to the other owner. Our attorney will work with the other two attorneys to remove the building.

New Business:

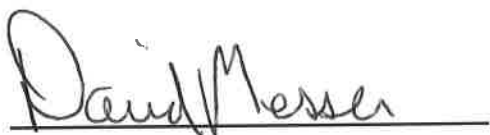
- Phyllis Ray 702 Lee Street, claims that Maintenance hit her mailbox and broke it while cleaning snow off during one of the snow days. Council has seen mailbox and pictures. Council states that the mailbox post is rotten and could have fallen at any time. Find no fault of the Town Maintenance Dept.
- Approve Amy Miller as grant writer for the OCRA/Steller Trail Project. David Messer moved to approve, Becky Perkins second, motion carried 3-0.
- Becky Perkins suggestion to remove signs for 20-minute parking in front of old pizza shop. Need to review/research the ordinances on no parking signs and places
- Becky Perkins suggestion to review no parking areas on Main Street
- Ordinance 051021 Amending garbage and refuse (removal of toters) tabled for more review
- Ordinance 051021A for a new fund American Recue Plan (ARP) David Messer moved, second Becky Perkins second, motion carried 3-0
- Resolution 051021B approve for signing the Ambulance Agreement. David Messer moved, second Becky Perkins, motion carried 3-0.
- Property clean-up on Varner – Working with Hancock Zoning to remove the rubbish from property.
- Henry County “2021 Clean Up You Town Project” Council does not wish to participate.

Claims:

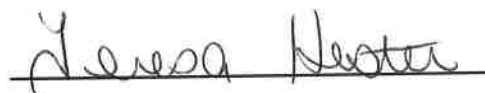
- Approve Payroll Allowance Dockets David Messer moved to accept, second Robin Boucher, motion carried 3-0
- Approve Claims to be paid – David Messer moved to pay claims, second Robin Boucher, motion carried 3-0

Adjourn:

- David Messer closed meeting



David Messer (Council President)



Teresa Hester (Clerk/Treasurer)