

TOWN OF CARROLLTON
BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, February 4, 2020

Present:

Mayor: Pamela Lee

Aldermen: Present: Susan Dunn
Warren Long
Tommy Goodman
Allen Lee

Absent: Ryan Jackson

Also present: Harold Floyd – Harold Floyd’s Heating and Air
Amanda Ferguson – Winona Publishing

Be it remembered the Mayor and Board of Alderman met in regular session on Tuesday, February 4, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Lee called the meeting to order and Alderman Long opened with prayer.

The first order of business was on a motion by Alderman Long, seconded by Alderman Goodman and unanimously approved to accept the Agenda for February 4, 2020 meeting.

A motion was made by Alderman Dunn, seconded by Alderman Long, and unanimously approved to dispense with the reading of the January 2020, minutes and accept.

Galen Shumaker, water operator, gave the following reports:

- Water has washed the ditch away at 18700 Highway 82; adjacent to Hoover’s Car Sales exposing the water line. A valve is supposed to be on each side of the ditch, but wasn’t able to locate the valves. He will dig and try to find the valves and if he is unable to locate them he will install new ones so residents on both sides of the ditch will have water if the water line is compromised in the ditch.
- Research possible funding for installing radio read meters.

Harold Floyd of Harold Floyd’s Heating and Air submitted two bids for the Community House a/c upgrade as part of the MDAH grant. One bid was for work described in the specs provided by the engineer, which included replacing the duct work. After Mr. Floyd checked the duct work he doesn’t think it needs to be replaced, therefore he submitted a second bid that excluded replacing the duct work. Alderman Goodman will contact Tim Groover, the engineer who wrote the specs to replace the duct work. A motion was made by Alderman Lee, seconded by Alderman Dunn, and unanimously approved to accept the engineer’s decision whether the

duct work must be replaced or not and to accept the higher bid from Harold Floyd's Heating and Air if the engineer determines the duct work must be replaced or to accept the lower bid if the duct work doesn't need replacing.

A motion was made by Alderman Goodman, seconded by Alderman Dunn and unanimously approved to pay bills as presented.

Mayor Lee gave the following reports:

- Fire Department Report in notebook
- Presbyterian Church sidewalk – asked town to half expense of replacing parts of sidewalk in front of church that are dangerous – less than \$500
- Complaint about dogs at Post Office
- Property Tax Report – received copy of tax rolls and all residents and businesses are listed and received check for December with detailed payment information
- Sales Tax - discovered by upper management in the DOR that there are 2 businesses that had been incorrectly coded in the system as residing within the City of Carrollton. Made a one-time adjustment to correct the revenue that we received over the last 36 months for these 2 businesses. That means the DOR pulled back just under \$13,000 from Carrollton's city diversion account. This is why Carrollton has received no city diversion since their last distribution on November 12. Carrollton's city diversion account does still carry a negative balance of \$2,249.39 as of January 16, 2020, but is expect to become positive before the next distribution date occurs (February 10).
- Status of Small Municipalities' Grant, BP project, Modernization Use Tax – received payment on Small Municipalities' Grant in amount of \$33,231.00 and received Modernization Use Tax in the amount of \$11,254.29.
- Tree across College Street and limb down at Community House during storm Jan 10-11 – Called Doyle to come cut, tree was cut by homeowner before Doyle got there. Met Luke McNeer who bought Casey out. He called Jan 17 and said when he was coming through town he stopped and got the limb, no charge.
- Working with the Mississippi John Hurt Foundation president to create a Bill Ferris Teachers Field Institute in Carroll County to bring teachers from around the country into our area to learn about the music of Ms John Hurt and the architecture of Carrollton. Met with Mayor Carolyn McAdams to let her know about plans.
- Submitted podcast on Carrollton to MML
- Working on entry for HGTV Hometown Makeover contest
- Drafted letter to for rental property and part time residents regarding water and garbage fees. A motion was made by Alderman Lee, seconded by Alderman Long and unanimously approved to send the letters to rental property owners and part time residents.

Be it spread upon the minutes the holiday set by the Governor's office as follows:

Monday, February 17, 2020 – President's Day

A motion was made by Alderman Long, seconded by Alderman Lee, and unanimously approved for the Town to create a new bank account to be used for the Modernization Use Tax monies.

Historic Preservation Commission reported that Linda McGregor was elected chairman, Kathleen Clark to remain as secretary, the vice chairman to be elected after new position is filled, and nominated Libba Goodman to fill the vacant position on the Commission. A motion was made by Alderman Lee, seconded by Alderman Dunn, for Libba Goodman to fill the vacant position on the Historic Preservation Commission. The motion passed unanimously, with Alderman Goodman abstaining.

A motion was made by Alderman Lee, seconded by Alderman Goodman and unanimously approved to contract with CertifiedPayment.net to accept debit cards for payments.

A motion was made by Alderman Long, seconded by Alderman Goodman and unanimously approved to accept Lanny Lancaster's bid of \$210.00, to build a planter to be placed around newly erected stop sign on the corner of Washington and Green Streets.

A motion was made by Alderman Goodman, seconded by Alderman Lee and unanimously approved for Mayor Lee to pursue AARP grant, with no matching money required, for installation of street signs.

Daniel Vest of 234 CR 378, has requested an adjustment on his water bill because of excessively high water usage shown on the meter. Mr. Vest states he hasn't had a leak while he agreed the reading matched the meter. The Board agreed not to change the current policy which doesn't make adjustments to water bills, but to extend the time to four months to pay the bill.

The paint on the balcony at Town Hall has worn away in many places. Received bid from Lanny McCarver for \$1500. to prime and paint the balcony. A motion was made by Alderman Dunn, seconded by Alderman Lee, and unanimously approved to table painting the balcony until a second bid can be obtained.

Linda Perkins has requested permission to have a parade on March 28, 2020, through Town honoring her mother's 100th birthday. A motion was made by Alderman Lee, seconded by Alderman Lee and unanimously approved to allow the parade.

The decorative garbage cans around the courthouse have liners that have rusted out from rain water. A motion was made by Alderman Lee, seconded by Alderman Goodman and unanimously approved to ask the Board of Supervisors, Antiquities Society, Carroll Academy Student Council and the Cherokee Rose Garden Club to help with replacing the garbage can liners.

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion was made by Alderman Goodman, seconded by Alderman Dunn and unanimously approved to adjourn until Tuesday, March 3, 2020.

Sandra Williams, Town Clerk

Pamela R. Lee, Mayor