

TOWN OF CARROLLTON  
BOARD MEETING  
Tuesday, April 6, 2021

Present:

Mayor: Pamela Lee (present via Facetime)

Aldermen: Present: Susan Dunn  
Ryan Jackson  
Tommy Goodman

Also Present:

Belinda Bodie (Neel Schaffer – representing C-Spire)  
Clint Gee  
Kyle Grubb (Willis Engineering)  
Galen Shumaker  
Mark Stiles

Be it remembered the Mayor (via Facetime) and Board of Aldermen met in regular session on Tuesday, April 6, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Vice Mayor Dunn. Alderman Jackson opened the meeting with prayer.

The first order of business was a motion by Alderman Jackson, seconded by Alderman Goodman, and unanimously approved to accept the Agenda for the April 6, 2021 meeting.

Belinda Bodie, a representative of the Neel Shaffer firm, was present to address the proposed C-Spire expansion of fiber internet through the Town. C-Spire is under contract to have the services installed at the schools by June 1, 2021, so the need exists to reach agreement with the Town of Carrollton in a timely manner. The board expressed several concerns including the requirement that franchise fees be paid to the Town, as well as aesthetic concerns and erosion issues. Ms. Bodie requested that the Town email her with all the requirements and stipulations as soon as possible, so that an agreement could be drawn up that is satisfactory to both the Town and to C-Spire.

A motion was made by Alderman Goodman, seconded by Alderman Jackson, and unanimously approved to table the C-Spire matter until the next Board Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 4, 2021.

Next came Kyle Grubb, Town Engineer with Willis Engineering, to address concerns related to the Washington Street Overlay Project. He presented “before and after” photos to show that he believed the project was successful as-is. Much discussion was held between Mr. Grubb and the Aldermen present, as well as Mr. Clint Gee whose property is affected by the rain run-off on Washington Street. Mr. Grubb stated that he will see if a solution can be drawn up that is acceptable to the Board. In the meantime, he asked that the contractor be paid the balance of the work. The Board instructed Mr. Grubb that in the future all such projects should have a 20% Retainage.

A motion was made by Alderman Goodman, seconded by Alderman Jackson, and unanimously approved instructing the Town Clerk to retain \$30,000.00 of the balance due and to release the remaining funds owed to the contractor.

Next came Mark Stiles to address the Board representing the property owners on the dead-end block of Magnolia Street. They have requested the Board to close that portion of Magnolia Street. The property lines of Mark Stiles et ux, Bo Milton et ux, and Elizabeth Ray would each be extended to the center line of the street, which equates to approximately 25 feet each. The Board was amenable to the request, however Alderman Goodman said that it would be a better practice to make the decision when the entire Board is present. Alderman Goodman made a motion, seconded by Alderman Jackson, and unanimously approved to table the matter until the next meeting when all Aldermen are present.

A motion was made by Alderman Goodman and seconded by Alderman Jackson to dispense with the reading of the Board of Aldermen Meeting minutes and approve them for the March 2, 2021 meeting. The motion was approved by all Aldermen present.

Galen Shumaker, water operator, presented the Board with a long-range plan that included the following although not necessarily in this order:

1. Install blow off valves at the ends of the lines on county roads 322, 369, 399, 334, 135, and at twin lakes. (approximately \$1,000.00 per blow off)
2. Check fire hydrants and repair non-working hydrants. (cost to be determined)
3. Install needed valves and/or lines to furnish water during repairs.
4. Encase 6" PVC water line north of Hwy 82 west of Town.
5. Install drive-by read meters. (\$ 250.00 per meter, installed)
6. Map the system.
7. Install a dialer at the #3 well. (\$5,000.00)
8. Paint the storage tanks at the booster station (up to \$75,000.00)

The Board will review Mr. Shumaker's recommendations in more depth at a later time.

A motion was made by Alderman Jackson, seconded by Alderman Goodman, and approved unanimously to pay the usual and customary bills as presented.

Mayor Lee reported that Carrollton received the Mississippi Municipal League City Spirit Award at the recent Mid-Winter Conference.

Mayor Lee requested that the Board approve the Lowe's 100 Hometown Grant Application. A motion was made by Alderman Goodman, seconded by Alderman Jackson, and unanimously approved to submit the Grant Application to Lowe's.

Mayor Lee reported that the Town should receive the \$500,000.00 State Bond Bill recently passed in the Legislature if signed by the Governor. Mayor Lee also reported that the Town has been awarded \$ 39,683.80 under the American Rescue Plan, but that a disbursement schedule is yet to be determined.

Alderman Dunn reported that April 26, 2021 is Confederate Memorial Day, and that Town Hall will be closed that day for the State Holiday.

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion was made by Alderman Jackson, seconded by Alderman Goodman, and unanimously approved to adjourn until Tuesday, May 4, 2021.

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Kimberly Smith, Town Clerk

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Pamela R. Lee, Mayor