

TOWN OF CARROLLTON

Minutes for June 7, 2022

Present:

Mayor Pamela Lee
Town Clerk Carol Jo Coleman
Water Operator Galen Shumaker

Aldermen:

Clint Gee
Stephanie Gillespie
Warren Long
Bo Milton

Be it remembered the Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in regular session on Tuesday, June 7, 2022, at 6:00 pm. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor and opened in prayer by Alderman Milton.

On motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Long, the agenda was approved as printed.

On motion by Alderman Gillespie, seconded by Alderman Milton, the minutes of the May meeting were approved as printed.

Water Operator Galen Shumaker reported that due to rising costs of materials and gas, his costs per meter would be increasing from \$4.30 to \$5.30 per meter, among other charges. He also offered to take over the billing and use his existing software and tablets for an additional \$1.00 per meter, saving us time and printing and mailing expenses over the current El Dorado system. On motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Long, the Board voted unanimously to start a rate study with Dr. Jason Barrett from MSU. In the matter of the El Dorado Water program, on motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Long, the Board voted unanimously to accept Mr. Shumaker's offer to do the bills for \$1.00 per meter.

On motion by Alderman Long, seconded by Alderman Milton, the Board approved payment of the ordinary and customary bills.

Mayor Lee made the following reports:

- Water Tower
She has found two grants to possibly help with the landscaping of the historic water landscaping Galen Shumaker presented a price of \$2,500 to remove the stumps on the hillside and smooth out the area in preparation for landscaping. On motion by Alderman Gillespie, seconded by Alderman Gee, the Board voted unanimously to approve this work.
- Regarding the Speed bumps, all places have been marked and utilities located.
- The Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan & C-Spire Liability Certificate were spread upon the minutes.
- Having received complaints from residents about the used cars sitting on display at welcome sign, MDOT has been contacted about right-of-way. If this area proves to be on their ROW, they will give us permission to enforce their no parking signs. It is possible that the area in question is part of the Delta Electric's access road. On motion by Alderman Milton, seconded

by Alderman Long, the Board voted unanimously to notify MDOT of our willingness to enforce their no parking signs, if that is their ROW.

- Regarding the American Rescue Plan Act [ARPA] funds, the Town will be receiving the second half of our allotted \$43,268.75 this summer. Senate Bill 2822 created the Mississippi Municipality and County Water Infrastructure Grant Program which will allow us to apply for additional funds to make improvements to the water system. The grant will be a 2-1 match through the DEQ. According to the figures received so far, we will have a total of \$129,806.25 to spend on the water system.

Unfinished Business:

- After reviewing the attached revisions to the Zoning Ordinance, Alderman Milton made the motion, seconded by Alderman Gee to accept the revisions and to place them on the July agenda for a roll call vote. Then a public hearing will be held to answer questions.
- On motion by Alderman Milton made the motion, seconded by Alderman Gee, the Board voted unanimously to continue to look for the funds to assist Supervisor Hurst with improvements on the west side of Big Sand Creek near the well yard.

New Business:

- On motion by Alderman Gee, seconded by Alderman Milton, the Board approved the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance as presented by MEMA. A copy will be filed accordingly.
- On motion by Alderman Milton made the motion, seconded by Alderman Long, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Agreement for Engineering Service for NRCS portion of new drainage work on the south end of Lexington [Job # 21-0895].
- On motion by Alderman Long made the motion, seconded by Alderman Milton, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Agreement for County to use the Carrollton-North Carrollton Fire Department building for a voting precinct. Carrollton will be using the Community House.
- On motion by Alderman Long made the motion, seconded by Alderman Milton, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Resolution appointing Mayor Pam Lee as the voting delegate for MML summer session.

As there was no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned until the next regular meeting, July 5, 2022.

Carol J. Coleman, Clerk

Pamela R. Lee, Mayor