

TOWN OF CARROLLTON

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Mayor:

Pamela Lee

Town Clerk:

Carol Jo Coleman

Aldermen:

Clint Gee

Stephanie Gillespie

Tommy Goodman

Warren Long

Bo Milton

Minutes for October 4, 2022

Present:

Mayor: Pam Lee

Aldermen: Clint Gee, Tommy Goodman, Warren Long, Bo Milton

Water Operator: Galen Shumaker

Be it remembered that the October 4, 2022, meeting of the Carrollton Board of Aldermen was called to order by the Mayor and opened in prayer by Alderman Warren Long.

On motion by Alderman Bo Milton, seconded by Alderman Long, the proposed agenda was unanimously approved by those present.

On motion by Alderman Goodman, seconded by Alderman Milton, the minutes of previous meeting were unanimously approved as emailed to the Board.

Water Operator Galen Shumaker reported on several on-going projects: a water leak on CR 240, the updating of the water billings software, and the installation of water meters.

On motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Long, the Board unanimously approved paying the presented bills, including a bill from the Antiquities Society for the mums planted at Town Hall for the Pilgrimage.

Reports:

The preliminary report for the Pilgrimage & Pioneer Day Festival identified visitors from 8 states and 28 Mississippi counties spent over \$25,000. However, final totals are not yet available.

The ARPA MCWI Matching Grant application was submitted on September 29.

The mayor will be attending two Small Town Meetings hosted by the Mississippi Municipal League this month. One will be at French Camp on October 6. The other will be in Flowood on October 13 and 14.

Old Business:

On motion by Alderman Goodman, seconded by Alderman Gee, the Board unanimously approved purchasing new street signs for the side streets from Magcor based on the proposal submitted. This expense will be taken from the 2% Tourism Tax account.

New Business:

The following anti-discrimination policy was approved unanimously by the Board on motion by Alderman Milton and seconded by Alderman Gee, updating all previous such statements. *The Town of Carrollton does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, sex, religion, national origin, disability, veteran status or any other status protected by federal law. In the event that language assistance is needed for persons with limited English proficiency, the Town will use Google Translate or a text converter to provide assistance.*

The Board reviewed the possible brick patterns and colors and railing colors for the new Big Sand Bridge. The Board chose red brick color in a herringbone design with dark green for the railings and other metalwork. This information was emailed to the board for review before the meeting and our choices will be discussed with the Board of North Carrollton and Supervisor Neill.

On motion by Alderman Long, seconded by Alderman Milton, the Board voted unanimously to replace the non-functioning refrigerator and microwave at the Community House and for the expenses to be paid from the Community House funds. The mayor will make these purchases for the Town.

The Mayor presented an email to the mayor from Alderman Stephanie Gillespie dated Tuesday, October 4, indicating her resignation from the board because she is the process of moving out of Carrollton. Based on direction from the town attorney, the Board declared a vacancy and set the date for the election to fill the position for November 15. Qualifying papers may be picked up at the Town Hall during regular hours or mailed upon request. Qualifying deadline is October 26 at close of business [3:00 pm]. The appropriate releases will be placed in The Conservative beginning October 13 and in town as prescribed by law.

George “Snooky” Lee has requested permission to plant small redbud trees in various public spaces where the dogwood trees planted for the 1976 bicentennial by Ethel Bibus and Louis Marshall are now dying. On motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Goodman, the Board approved the request with no opposition.

The Board discussed an impediment on Pelham Street which would limit fire department and ambulance service access should such be needed. Board members who have not seen the area will look tomorrow. In the meantime, the Board unanimously directed the Mayor to have the street surveyed by Willis Engineering.

As there was no other business to bring before the Board, the meeting was adjourned until the regular meeting date of November 1, 2022.

Clerk

Mayor

TOWN OF CARROLLTON
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
Monday, October 24, 2022

Mayor: Pamela Lee

Present: Bo Milton
Clint Gee

Warren Long
Tommy Goodman

Be it remembered the Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in special session on Monday, October 24, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order and opened in prayer by the Mayor

The Mayor then presented the Board with a new board order for publication in The Conservative regarding the election to fill the vacant position of alderman. On motion by Alderman Goodman, seconded by Alderman Long, the Board unanimously approved the order. It will be sent to the newspaper on October 25, 2022.

Regarding the issue of an obstruction in the street on Pelham Street near the corner with Jackson Street, the Board determined that Engineer Kyle Grubb agreed with the Town's records that the ROW on Pelham was fifty [50] feet, measuring twenty-five [25] feet each way from the center of the street. However, he did not survey Pelham or Jackson as requested, relying on the map in the Courthouse to obtain this information. Therefore, on motion by Alderman Long, seconded by Alderman Gee, the Mayor was unanimously directed by the Board to call and request the survey again.

During the discussion about the obstruction in the street, which is the result of a drainage pipe running under the street to the gully east of the street, Alderman Goodman raised the question of whose property the pipe was draining on. The Board determined that there was a possible legal issue here as well that needed some guidance. The Mayor will arrange a meeting by phone with Mr. Greenlee and Alderman Goodman after we have the survey to discuss the issue further.

The question was also raised about whether the end of Jackson Street that is now a gully had ever been officially closed. The Mayor will also look at the records to see if any mention of closing that street was ever made.

As there was no other business, Alderman Milton made a motion, seconded by Alderman Gee to adjourn until November 1, 2022. The motion passed unanimously.

C.J. Coleman, Town Clerk

Pamela R. Lee, Mayor